

□ Workshops

During this conference several IFLA Sections offer workshops. Most are held on Thursday although some of them are also held at other days. Please look at the programme for details.

Workshops are either "on-site" in the International Congress Centre (ICC Berlin) or "off-site" (not in the ICC Berlin).

All off-site workshops required pre-registration.

Now that the conference has started it may still be possible to register for an off-site event, although this is not done centrally.

Please contact the IFLA Headquarters Secretariat (room 36), since they will have most of the location details for the off-site workshops. The only way to register for an off-site workshop during the conference is either directly with the organisers or at the start-time of the workshop.

IFLA Headquarters will not be able to assist with pre-registration during the conference.

On-site workshops in the ICC Berlin are open to all delegates on a first-come, first-served basis without pre-registration. Seating is limited according to the size of the rooms, so please make sure you are in time for the meeting.

□ *The BnF at the IFLA exhibition*

The BnF will be pleased to welcome you to its stand 99 (Level 2 H 32 33) to present the following special events:

Virtual exhibitions, learning approach

Monday 4 August from 12.45 - 13.30 and

Wednesday 6 August from 10.45 - 11.30

Presentation on large screen, focusing on 3 themes: "Fouquet, peintre et enlumineur du XV siècle (Fouquet, 15th century artist and illuminator)", "Victor Hugo, l'homme océan", "Il était une fois... les contes de féé (Once upon a time... fairy tales)

To allow everybody and especially a younger audience to access its heritage, the educational service of the BnF provides virtual exhibitions files, both online and on CD-Rom, 23 files are currently available on varied themes such as: "L'aventure des écritures", "Emile Zola", le Criel et la terre (The sky and earth) and (Cathedrales gothiques au XIIème siècle) (13th century Gothic cathedrals)

The catalogue of the BnF, BN-Opale plus

Monday 4, Tuesday 5 and Wednesday 6 of August from 14.00 - 15.00

Demonstrations of search and retrieval features

The catalogue of the BnF is improving all the time. It has recently been greatly enhanced with the addition of audio-visual material (800 000 bibliographical records, 190 800 authority records).



Members in Danger of Deletion

Members who are one or more years in arrears with their fee payments have been scheduled for deletion from IFLA membership. A list of these members is available for consultation in the IFLA Secretariat (Room 36/37). If you are listed to be deleted, but wish to continue with your membership, please contact Kelly Moore, IFLA Membership Manager, at the Secretariat.

Information Coordinators

All Information Coordinators of the IFLA Sections are kindly advised to attend the meeting for Information Coordinators (today at 09.00 - 10.00 in Hall 4).

Sophie Felföldi will explain the procedures regarding IFLANET policies and submitting information to IFLANET.

Your text in IFLA Express?

Have you got an announcement to make? Any news to tell the world?

Please deliver any copy for IFLA Express to the IFLA Secretariat, room 36.

Copy for the next issue of IFLA Express needs to be received at the IFLA Secretariat no later than 13.00 the day before publication.

Please be aware that placing is subject to approval of IFLA.

Meet Christine, Kay and Ross!

The IFLA Conference is a kaleidoscope of overlapping events; the exhibition, the Council, business meetings, conference papers, plenary sessions, workshops, poster sessions, cultural events, caucuses, receptions and, of course, opportunities for networking. Because Christine, Kay and I have so many inescapable meetings; the Governing Board and Professional Committee, meetings with dignitaries and future conference organisers and many others, it is difficult for us to attend the professional sessions and meet as many conference participants as we would like.

So we have scheduled the following times at the **IFLA booth, C11** to meet you.

Christine will be there on **Monday 4 August, 14.00 - 15.00**

Kay will be there on **Tuesday 5 August, 10.00 - 11.00** and

I will be there on **Wednesday 6 August, 11.00 - 12.00**.

Come along and discuss how IFLA can better represent libraries and their users on the world stage.

Come early and we'll sell you an IFLA Roadshow T-shirt!

[Ross Shimmon]



Ross Shimmon, Kay Raseroka, Christine Deschamps

□ ***Access to Learning Award 2003***

Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation Access to Learning Award 2003 Announcement

Tuesday, August 5, 08:30 am, Otto Braun Room, Staatsbibliothek zu Berlin

(Berlin State Library), 33 Potsdamer Street, Berlin

All delegates are invited to the official announcement and presentation of the Access to Learning Award for 2003 at the Berlin State Library.

The Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation announces the recipient of the Access to Learning Award for 2003. The international award, which is managed by the Council on Library and Information Resources, is given annually to a library, library agency, or comparable organization outside the United States that has been innovative in providing free public access to information. The award includes a grant up to USD 1 million that helps the recipient develop new initiatives and expand outreach. Previous award recipients include Argentina's Biblioteca del Congreso, Colombia's Biblored, Guatemala's Probigua and Finland's Helsinki City Library. The announcement ceremony is open to all IFLA attendees; breakfast will be served.

Please RSVP and/or direct any questions to abishop@clir.org

□ **New chair of the professional committee: Ia McIlwaine**



together with Winston Tabb, outgoing chair

□ **Information, Souvenirs and Prize Draw at the IFLA Booth (C11)**

IFLA Staff and IFLA Officers will be available to provide a wide range of information, including documentation on IFLA membership, the objectives and activities of IFLA's professional programme, recent IFLA publications and Professional Reports and much more. The scheduled times when Section Officers will be present at the booth will be published in IFLA Express throughout the conference week. IFLA's President, Christine Deschamps, President-Elect Kay Raseroka and the Secretary General, Ross Shimon, will also take turns staffing the booth and are ready and willing to answer your questions.

At the booth you can also buy your IFLA Souvenirs

Treat yourself and have a reminder of your IFLA Conference experience!

Be sure to visit the booth and drop your business card or address details in the special box to enter the prize draw for a free registration to the World Library and Information Congress in Buenos Aires in August 2004.

□ **Getting Value for Money from Emerald**

**Tuesday 5 August, 10.30,
ICC Lounge, Room 81**

Mark Hindwell, Emerald Business Manager for Western Europe, will discuss pricing options and models offered by Emerald and will also provide ideas and advice for obtaining best value from your subscription to Emerald products. Also presented will be our new Librarians Toolkit along with other resources to help librarians to better support their library users.

□ *Motions and Resolutions at the Council II Meeting*

During Council II, IFLA members can be asked to vote on Motions and Resolutions that have been submitted during the week

How does that work?

Motions: a Motion is a proposal that the Council take certain action on, or on which the Council expresses itself as holding certain views. A motion must be seconded. A motion may be made from the floor in a Council meeting, but must, at the same time, be handed over in writing to the Chair. A motion may be made and seconded by:

- Authorised representatives of the Members
- IFLA Officers [Members of the Governing Board, Directors and Officers of Core Activities, Chairs, Secretaries and Treasurers of Divisions, Chairs and Secretaries of Sections]

Resolutions: two types of Resolutions are recognised: general resolutions and professional resolutions.

- **A general** resolution is defined as a written statement aiming at a decision (be it resolved that ...). Such resolutions can be made by authorised representatives of the Members and IFLA Officers (see definition under 'Motions' above) only.
- **A professional** resolution is defined as a written statement indicating an intention or a position which needs further clarification by one of IFLA's professional steering bodies before any follow-up can be expected. A professional resolution needs no second and can take any form. No discussion normally follows acceptance of a professional resolution, although clarification can be sought and provided at the discretion of the Chair. A professional resolution may be submitted by authorised representatives of Members, or persons acting on behalf of the Core Activities, Divisions, or Sections.

The deadline for submitting motions and resolutions to the Secretary General is **Thursday 7 August 12.00.**

Voting delegates can obtain the necessary voting papers at the IFLA Voting Office located at the IFLA Secretariat, room 36/37 at the conference centre in Berlin. Voting papers will be distributed only to those delegates who are in possession of the IFLA Voting Card, duly signed by the appropriate authority. The IFLA Voting Card was enclosed with the Convening Notice for the Council Meeting, which was mailed to all Voting Members who had paid their fees for 2003. Late payments may be accepted during the conference at the Voting Office, and at the same time, the voting cards may then be collected.

The Voting Office will be open on Friday 8 August 09.00 - 14.00.

□ **President-Elect's Programme**

Continuing the tradition begun at least year's IFLA conference in Glasgow, President-Elect Kay Raseroka will host a programme on **Wednesday, 6 August, 10:45 - 12:45 in Room 14.2.** President-Elect Raseroka will speak briefly about the theme for her IFLA Presidency, "Libraries for Lifelong Literacy", whose development was very much influenced by the well-attended brainstorming session in Glasgow.

As in Glasgow, the main portion of this programme will again be devoted to brainstorming; but the focus of the group discussions will be on specific ways in which IFLA's Divisions and Sections can support this theme through actions to be included in their 2003 - 2005 strategic plans.

At the session on 6 August, each of the eight Division will be allotted two tables, each of which will accommodate people. Three places at each table will be reserved for Divisional rapporteur. Seven places at each table will be available for other IFLA members, making a total of 112 places for members other than Divisional officers and committee members. In addition, there will be two "thematic" tables, one dealing with Advocacy in general and one with Indigenous Knowledge. Places at these two tables will be by invitation only. The final allocation of places will depend on the nature of the demand, but as far as possible, attendees will be encouraged to sit at the tables of the Division in whose work they are most interested. This President-Elect's programme offers both IFLA veterans newcomers an opportunity to shape the work of our Federation. Please bring your ideas to the session on Wednesday.

Please note: only 112 places will be available for IFLA members in general, so arrive early to be sure of your place!

□ *IFLA Libraries for the Blind Section and the Ulverscroft Foundation: the Frederick Thorpe Award*

IFLA Libraries for the Blind Section and the Ulverscroft Foundation are delighted to announce the winner of the first Frederick Thorpe Award for organisations: The Department of Library, Archive and Information Studies, University of Ibadan, Nige-

This award is designed to provide an opportunity for an organisation:

- to adopt and adapt a development from elsewhere to improve local service delivery for visually impaired people, or
- to implement a new development to improve service delivery that could be transferable elsewhere

The University has won the Award worth £15,000 [G.B. Sterling] for their project, "Setting up a computerised catalogue and distribution database for visually impaired people in Nigeria".

The University will provide a national lead in co-ordinating the work of numerous bodies in Nigeria which produce alternative format materials thereby maximising the range of titles which can be produced from within the limited resources available.

Allan Leach, Chair of the Ulverscroft Foundation said, "We had six very good applications for this Award of which two were outstanding.

It was very difficult to decide but we were unanimous in the end that our £15,000 would have most impact if it were awarded to the Nigerian project."

Helen Brazier, Secretary of IFLA LBS said, "On behalf of the Section I am pleased that the first Award has been so successful. We are very conscious of the divide between information rich/information poor countries. This is particularly relevant to visually impaired people who are amongst the most disadvantaged sections in all countries. Hopefully, Nigeria will provide a simple template which can be adopted elsewhere in Africa."

The official announcement of the winner of the Award will be made at the IFLA LBS Conference in Marburg, Germany on 28th July 2003.

For further details please contact:
Helen Brazier, Secretary of IFLA LBS at helen.brazier@nlbuk.org

Joyce Sumner, Secretary of the Ulverscroft Foundation at foundation@ulverscroft.co.uk

□ **Libraries @ the Heart of the Information Society**

Under this title, IFLA in close collaboration with a group of librarians from Switzerland is organising a conference on 3-4 November 2003 in Geneva which is a pre-runner to the World Summit on the Information Society (WSIS).

During this conference it is intended to brief national delegates to the WSIS about the key role that libraries have to play in providing access to information and knowledge.

The group of Swiss colleagues is of course here in Berlin. You can meet these colleagues in the vicinity of a poster of "Libraries @ the Heart ..." at the entrance to Hall 3 on Monday **4 August** from approximately **12:00**.



□ **Come to Buenos Aires next year! Get your information now!**

During the Exhibition, all delegates are invited to visit the World Library and Information Congress 2004 Booth (C 11, Central Lobby), where they will be most welcome and will receive attractive information about the 2004 Conference to be held in Buenos Aires.



□ **Join the
IFLA/FAIFE PhD**

**Roundtable discussions at the Berlin
World Congress 2003**

Theme: Obstacles to accessing information on the Internet in libraries

Venue: The ICC Berlin

Monday 4 August, 10.00 – 12.00

Salon 19

Wednesday 6 August, 12 – 16

Salon 20

Registration: To register in advance for one of the sessions please e-mail Stuart Hamilton from the FAIFE office at sha@db.dk stating your preferred date. Alternatively, places for the sessions will be allocated on a first-come, first-served basis.

Description: As part of the IFLA/FAIFE PhD project examining barriers to accessing information on the Internet, two roundtable discussion sessions will take place during the IFLA World Congress. Topics to be discussed include the filtering and blocking information, user privacy, the commodification of information and the Digital Divide. The roundtable sessions are open to anyone interested in the topic, although spaces are limited to 12 people for each session.

FAIFE is particularly interested in ensuring a wide geographical spread of participants to gather as many viewpoints on the topic as possible. Anyone interested in participating in a session should contact Stuart Hamilton from the FAIFE office for further information via email sha@db.dk

□ ***Fairy Tales and much more of the
Grimm Brothers in the Roof Garden
Foyer***

In addition to the storytelling session with Sabine Lutkat on Friday, 8 August from 10.00-11.15 hrs in the Roof Garden Foyer, the IFLA 2003 team is happy to present a small exhibition and a slide presentation on the life and works of the Grimm Brothers.

On Friday, from 9.30 hrs to 14.00 hrs, the Museum of the Brothers Grimm (Kassel, Central Germany) and the International Association of the Grimm Brothers present a small exhibition in the Roof Garden Foyer of the following contents:

1. Chronology of Life and Work;
2. Hessian, German or European Fairy Tales;
3. Between Popular Tradition and Art Form - The children- and Household Stories;
4. The Foundation of Modern Germanic Philology;
5. The Political Activities of the Brothers Grimm;
6. European Philology.

On Friday, at 12.00, Bernhard Lauer, the director of the Museum of the Grimm Brothers, will introduce the life and the works of the brothers with special reference to the life and work in their last years in the Prussian capital Berlin.

During the exhibition, special information leaflets and posters are available.

The scholarly and the political contributions of Jacob and Wilhelm Grimm were not limited to Germanic languages, literatures and folk traditions. In contrast, they maintained professional and personal relationship to many important scholars, writers and artists of their time – particularly because they knew the history of their own people as thoroughly as they did their understanding of other cultures and traditions was sophisticated and open minded.



An exhibition of children painting's in hall 1

□ **British Council / CILIP**

The booth number for the CILIP / British Council Stand is H65 and H67 and **not** B1 as mentioned in the Exhibition Catalogue



□ **CLM and FAIFE chairs**

Both Marianne Scott, chair of the IFLA Copyright and other legal Matters (CLM) committee, and Alex Byrne, chair of the IFLA Free Access to information and Freedom of Expression (FAIFE) Committee retire from these positions during this conference.

The Governing Board, at its meeting last Friday, decided on the following appointments:

CLM: Winston Tabb, Dean of the University Libraries, Johns Hopkins University, USA.

FAIFE: Paul Sturges, Professor of Library Studies, Loughborough University, UK.

Ross Shimmon
Secretary General

□ **IRANDOC Prize Draw**

To mark the anniversary of the formation of IRANDOC, visitors to the IRANDOC exhibition stand (Stand 70, Hall 2) will automatically be entered in a prize draw. The winner will receive a free one year's subscription to *Primer Service*.

□ **Meet IFLA's Professional Groups!**

Monday, 4 August

IFLA's Exhibition Booth (C11) is staffed by the IFLA HQ Staff and the organisers of the 2004 and 2005 World Library and Information Congress.

During the conference week, IFLA's officers will also be available at the booth to answer questions about their activities and to display results of some of their projects. To meet the officers and to get first-hand information, the schedule for the booth on Monday, 4 August is:

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| 10.00-11.00 | Copyright and other Legal Matters
Government Libraries
Government Information and other Official Publications |
| 11.00-12.00 | Geography & Maps
Genealogy & Local History
Library History |
| 12.00-13.00 | Information Literacy
Continuing Professional Development and Workplace Learning |
| 13.00-14.00 | Cataloguing
Bibliography
Library and Research Services for Parliaments |
| 14.00-15.00 | National Libraries
University Libraries
Public Libraries |
| 15.00-16.00 | Management & Marketing
Statistics & Evaluation
Library Theory & Research |

Tuesday, 5 August:

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| 10.00-11.00 | Education & Training |
| 11.00-12.00 | Mobile Libraries
Serial Publications
Acquisition and Collection Development
Management of Library Associations |
| 12.00-13.00 | Audiovisual & Multimedia
Reference Work
Women's Issues |
| 13.00-14.00 | Reading |
| 14.00-15.00 | Libraries for Children & Young Adults
School Libraries & Resource Centres |
| 15.00-16.00 | ALP
Africa
Asia & Oceania
Latin America & the Caribbean |
| 16.00-17.00 | FAIFE |

□ *Library Visits Update*

It is apparent that the participants of this year's conference are more interested than usual in booking a library visit: the counter for booking library visits was extremely crowded during the first two days – which definitely reflects the attractive offerings of the Berlin library landscape.

Hence, some of the library visits are booked full, which means that only a few places can still be booked when participants who have previously booked return their voucher. If anyone definitely knows he or she will not take advantage of the library visit they have booked, they should return the voucher as soon as possible, so that the total number of possible participants available

for the individual visits can be completely reached. Nevertheless, a rich offering of library visits are still available: there are still many spaces on the library tour of the Staatsbibliothek (State Library) - House 2 in the Potsdamer Straße (Tour 1B) – except, of course, on Thursday, 7th August 2003, when the building will be closed in preparation for the cultural evening.

Participants interested in visiting public libraries can still visit both buildings of the Zentral- und Landesbibliothek Berlin (Central and Regional Library of Berlin) (Tours 3a and 3b); in addition, on Friday the City Library of Spandau (Tour 6) and the Humboldt Library in Reinickendorf (Tour 4) can both be visited individually.

The organized tours for college and university libraries are currently completely filled, although individual tours will be offered at the University Library of the Humboldt University both in the building in Berlin-Mitte (Tour 10) and in Adlershof (Tour 11).

The Library of the Charité Hospital (Tour 38), as well as many special libraries and information centres are still available for booking.

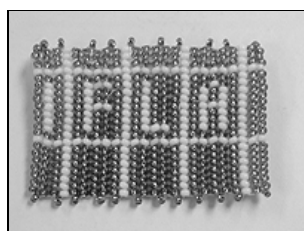
There are also additional brochures available for individual visits or for visits of small groups to several other libraries upon request. Please ask about these and the directions at the counter for Library Visits in the registration area.



The registration booth :your gate to Berlin libraries

□ Win an African beaded IFLA pin!

Buy a raffle ticket and you could win one of the IFLA lapel pins in green and white beads, made by an AIDS patient in South Africa. Tickets, price EUR 1.00 are on sale at the IFLA exhibition booth (C11) and the IFLA Secretariat office (Room 36). Proceeds will go the Margreet Wijnstroom Fund for Regional Library Development. The draw will be done by Kay Raseroka at 1500 on Tuesday 5 August, at the IFLA exhibition booth.



□ The Library Situation in Iraq

Everybody has read about the recent burning and looting of museums, archives and libraries in Baghdad and elsewhere in Iraq.

On Tuesday 5 August, a special session will be held about the situation of libraries in Iraq after the war broke out in that country in April this year:

08.30-10.30

110a. Update Session on Iraq

Chair: Christine Deschamps, IFLA President

Jean-Marie Arnoult, Inspecteur général des bibliothèques in France, who was recently in Iraq as part of a UNESCO Expert Mission, will report on his findings.

His report is available at

<http://www.ifla.org/VI/4/admin/iraq2407.htm>

□ Programme Corrections

IFLA/Publisher Relations Advisory Committee

This meeting was held on Sunday 3 August, not today as was originally printed in the programme.

Company Presentations

As some presentations have been added and some others have changed, a revised and updated programme of all Company Presentations is available in room 81/ICC Lounge. Here a list of all changes:

On **Monday**, the following presentation has been added:

09.00 - 09.30

Medialab Solutions B.V.

Bastiaan F. Zwaan Msc.

New associative web search front end for the National Library of Singapore

On **Monday**, now at 15.00 – 15.30 instead of 16.30 - 17.00:

FIZ Karlsruhe

Ingrid Vogts

Volltextvermittlung des FIZ Karlsruhe

The Presentation by Swets Blackwell is now scheduled for Tuesday, 17.00 - 17.30 instead of Monday 16.00 - 16.30.

There are no presentations on Monday between 16.00 - 17.00.

Alexandria Libraries

Unfortunately Mr. Seragaldin, who was going to speak in Session 110, Library Buildings and Equipment, could not come to the conference. Delegates are invited to attend the Session on Alexandria Libraries, No. 95, on today at 10.45 in room 4.



Our youngest participant - 2 months!

□ Plenary Session with Adama Samassékou

On Monday, 4 August from 12.45 until 13.45 hrs in hall 3, Adama Samassékou who is Secretary General of the Preparation Committee for the World Summit on the Information Society, will talk about: "The World Summit – a First Step Towards a Society of Commonly Shared Expertise and Knowledge". Simultaneous interpretation will be provided for all IFLA languages: English, French, German, Russian and Spanish.

Having been Minister of Education of Mali for seven years (1993-2000) and former spokesperson for the Government of Mali (1997-2000), Mr Samassékou is currently president, with ministerial rank, of the African Academy of Languages.

After obtaining a Master of Arts in philology and linguistics from Lomonossov State University in Moscow, Mr Samassékou continued his studies in Paris. After obtaining a DEA postgraduate diploma in African linguistics from the Sorbonne and a DESS specialist postgraduate diploma in organizational science from the Université de Paris-IX (Dauphine), he was subsequently head of the Linguistic Department of the Institute of Social Sciences of Mali, then director of the National Library of Mali and adviser to the Minister of Culture.

Playing an active part in community life, Mr Samassékou was the founding president, for Mali and Africa as a whole, of the People's Movement for Human Rights Education. In the political sphere, he was the founding chairman of ADEMA-France.

Find more than sunflowers with AquaBrowser

□ AquaBrowser Library launched

Medialab (Booth M3, Main Hall) introduces AquaBrowser Library, a revolutionary web based search engine for libraries, at IFLA 2003. AquaBrowser Library goes beyond existing federated search solutions, integrating many sources and encouraging life-long learning. The AquaBrowser provides a unique, dynamic interface to the library's collection that helps patrons to discover the richness of library collections. The AquaBrowser interface defines new standards in usability. The same consistent, easy to use and fast interface can be deployed on the Internet, inside the library and on the intranet, and on the mobile web via smart phones or PDAs. The AquaBrowser integrates the local catalogue with other sources such as web review, local newspapers and city archives. The library can thus strengthen its public role in society.

Contact information:

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□ Events at the booth of the BDB

Bundesvereinigung Deutscher Bibliotheksverbände, Area C, C 10

All day Bertelsmann Foundation Library projects in Spain

10:00 - 10:30 Dr. Friedrich Geisselmann (German Libraries Association) Library planning in Germany

11:00 - 11:30 Elisabeth Zilz Library and reading promotion by the project "Mobile library in Nicaragua"

16:00 - 16:30 Goethe-Institute Inter Nationes Information and library

For more details, please visit the booth of the Bundesvereinigung Deutscher Bibliotheksverbände, BDB (Federal Union of German Library Associations), Area C, booth C 10



□ Opening Ceremony

16.00 -18.00, Hall 1

IFLA will be formally opened at the ICC in the presence of Minister of State Dr Christina Weiss, Minister for Media and Culture, and Klaus Wowereit, Mayor of Berlin. As representative of IFLA, Christine Deschamps acting IFLA President and Georg Ruppelt, president of the 2003 National Organizing Committee and spokesman for the *Bundesverbandes Deutscher Bibliotheksverbände* (National Association of German Library Associations) are expected, while through the afternoon German TV presenter and science journalist Ranga Yogeshwar (grand-daughter of Indian philosopher and librarian Ranganathan) will conduct proceedings. The opening address will be given by Dr Klaus Gerhard Saur, managing director of the publishing house K G Saur & Co.

□ Opening Party with drinks and a buffet dinner

Immediately following the opening ceremony the opening party will take place at the nearby "Palais am Funkturm" (five minute walk from the ICC Berlin). At 18.15 hrs participants will be led to the venue by the marching band "Tätärä" and could then – if weather permits – walk through the "Palais" into the spacious "Summer Garden". Drinks will be offered in the "Ehrenhalle" and a buffet dinner will be served in the "Palais". A central dance floor is available and a DJ will play pop dance music. Guests will be able to stay until 23.00 hrs.

The evening is sponsored by Springer Publishing.

□ Press Conference

Monday, August 4, 11.00 – 12.00 a.m., Room 42 A

The press conference on the official opening day of IFLA 2003 will not only present concrete facts and figures but also introduce a number of current special issues which will be focussed on during this year's World Library and Information Congress. Among those are the reconstruction of a library infrastructure after the Iraq war, the struggle for practical Aids education in Africa, intellectual freedom in Cuba, proposals for activities regarding the "World Congress on Information Society 2003/2005" as well as the freshly printed World Report on "Free Access to Information and Freedom of Expression" or the presidential theme of the new IFLA president from Botswana, "Libraries for Lifelong Literacy".

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- Christine Deschamps (France), IFLA President (until 8/9/2003)
- Ross Shimmon (The Netherlands), IFLA Secretary General
- Kay Raseroka (Botswana), new IFLA President 2003-2005
- Alex Byrne (Australia), IFLA President Elect for 2005-2007
- Dr. Georg Ruppelt (Germany), President of IFLA 2003 NOC, Speaker President of Bundesverband Deutscher Bibliotheksverbände (BDB) e.V.
- Arnoud de Kemp (Germany), Sponsor IFLA 2003 BERLIN, Director of Sales and Marketing, Member of the Board of the scientific publisher Springer-Verlag
- Moderation: Dr. Max Rauner, Science journalist (Hamburg)

The press conference will be held in English and German. A press kit with detailed information on the work of IFLA will be available during the press conference.



Meet your friends here!