

# IFLA Information Technology Section

## Standing Committee Meeting on 23 August 2002 – Minutes

**Presiding Officers: Mats G. Lindquist Chair; Catherine Lupovici, Secretary**

Standing Committee members present: Sabine Barral, Maria Inês Durao de Carvalho Cordeiro, Christina Flemming, Gill Hamilton, Sally Mc Callum, Solomon K. Mutai, Diann Rusch-Feja, Svein Arne Solbakk, Roar Stoeleer, Mirna Willer, Lawrence Woods  
Standing Committee members excused: Claude Bonnelly, Marinus Swanepol  
Guest : Elisabeth Freyre, Alenka Kavcic-Colic, one person from Cuba, one person from Malaysia

### 1. Highlights and experiences from the Glasgow Conference.

- **Open session:** the session was very successful with a full lecture room and good feedback. The two first papers will be proposed for publication in the *IFLA Journal*. The third paper on XML will be also proposed and if not accepted will be proposed to ICBC (Newsletters of the UBCIM Core Activity).
- **Metadata workshop.** The workshop had about 50 attendees and received good comments. Sabine Barral asked for distribution of papers in advance for such technical meetings.
- **Metadata Discussion Group.** This was the last meeting of this Discussion Group taking the form of a Knowledge Café. This formula was very good for exchanges between well informed and new people. The report will be posted on IFLANET, possibly included in the Newsletter.
- **Workshop co-organized with the National Libraries section.** Successful workshop. Capturing the Web is going beyond the National Libraries and the IT section should continue to follow the very technical aspects in this domain.

### 2. Review of the Action Plan.

A draft Action plan including the results of the discussion of SCI meeting was distributed for comments. The general philosophy of the review is to concentrate the action in new technologies that will impact the libraries and are of interest also for the Archives, Museums and Publishers. It is also agreed to view the technologies from the perspective of the users and services.

A working group is appointed to issue a first draft incorporating the comments made during SCII and to continue the SC's discussion by e-mail. The working group members are: Maria Inês Durao de Carvalho Cordeiro, Gill Hamilton, Mats G. Lindquist, Catherine Lupovici, and Diann Rusch-Feja.

### 3. Berlin Conference planning.

The program will include

- **Post Satellite Meeting** already approved by the Professional Committee on Converging, complementary or other forms of describing Internet/Digital Objects (DCMI, IFLA and other Communities Standards and Guidelines). For the satellite meetings IFLA/HQ will send an invoice to the section for an amount of 100 EUR to cover the cost of administration and for the use of IFLA's name as a brand. For other costs, the event will be self sustained.

- **Open Session.** Possible focuses are: Digital repositories, Digital preservation, Managing change, Radio Frequency Identification. The discussion will continue by e-mail. The open session could be co-organized with the Science and Technology Libraries section.
- **Workshop.** Larry Woods will be in charge of a possible workshop together with the University Libraries and other General Research Libraries section on the topic of Scholarly portals.

#### **4. Oslo Conference.**

For Oslo Christina Flemming will provide input on a possible Satellite event with the Cataloguing section on FRBR.

#### **5. Other IT section activities.**

- **Project.** A new project for updating the "Information Technology needs assessment" focusing on the needs in South America with the objective of a presentation in Buenos Aires will be proposed to the CB.
- **Discussion group.** A new discussion group on metadata restricted to their multilingual aspects is proposed and will have to be confirmed.
- **Newsletter.** The secretary is in charge of closing the different ISSNs, which were allocated in the past to the Newsletter. The Newsletter will be migrated to the form of a continuous publication on IFLANET with on demand printing.

Catherine Lupovici  
Secretary, IT section