



**International Federation of Library Associations
& Institutions (IFLA)
Regional Standing Committee for Asia and Oceania
(RSCAO)
2010 Annual Meeting, Gothenburg, Sweden August 10-15, 2010**

Standing Committee Meeting I & II (SC I & II)

August 10th (Tuesday) 14:30 – 17:30 at Room F2

August 14th (Saturday) 08:00-09:30 at Room G4

Gothenburg Exhibition Centre

Minutes (draft February 20 2011)

1. Welcome and Apologies from members unable to attend.

- **Standing Committee Member Meeting I (SCI) August 11th
(Wednesday) 13:45-15:45 at Room G2**

ATTENDEES:

Daniel G. Dorner, Chihfeng P. Lin, Sanjay Kumar Bihani, Hasna Askhita ,
Bughdana Hajjar, Fawz Abdallah, Michael Robinson, Tendik G
Yermekpayeva, Winston Roberts, Premila Gamage, Mihyang Park, Hilda
Nassar, Shawky Salem, Tan Keat Fong, and Petrina Ang Hui Min

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE:

M. Al Mamun, Roza Berdigaliyeva, Libby Cass, Diljit Singh, Mark Perkins,
Xiangdong Yan, Jayshree Mamtora, Mohd Sharif Mohd Saad, Anjali Gulati,
Gary E. Gorman, Aree Cheunwattana, S.B. Ghosh, and Rashidah Begum bt.
Fazal Mohamed

- **Standing Committee Member Meeting II (SCII) August 14th
(Saturday) 08:00-09:30 at Room G4**

ATTENDEES:

Daniel G. Dorner, Chihfeng P. Lin, Michael Robinson, Tendik G
Yermekpayeva, Winston Roberts, Fawz Abdallah, Hilda Nassar, Shawky
Salem, Tan Keat Fong, and Petrina Ang Hui Min

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE:

Premila Gamage

2. Adoption of agenda

- The Agenda was adopted

3. Confirmation of Minutes of the Meetings held in Beirut, Lebanon on February 1-3, 2010

- Moved by Hilda, Seconded by FawzThe Minutes of the Meetings held in Beirut was confirmed and will be posted on RSCAO's Web.

4. Matters Arising from the Minutes

- IFLA is placing more emphasis on Action Plan,, RSCAO is required to submit one Action Plan
- To form up 6 Sub-Regional Committees that will work specifically on projects in their regions and come back to Section for further coordination
- Coordinators of the six sub-regions:

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| North East Asia | Michael Robinson |
| South Asia | Sanjay Bihani |
| West Asia (Arab Countries) | Hilda Nassar |
| Central Asia, | Tendik G Yermekpayeva |
| South East Asia | Diljit Singh |
| Oceania | Winston Roberts |

5. Confirmation of RSCAO Strategic Plan for 2010-2011



RSCAO: Priority Activities for 2010-2011

At its meeting at the 2010 WLIC in Gothenburg, the RSCAO identified three priority activities for the section aimed at supporting the implementation of the IFLA Strategic Plan for 2010 to 2015. Because of the large geographic area and the diversity of countries in the Asia and Oceania region, the members of the RSCAO agreed to forming six sub-regional committees (West Asia, Northwest Asia, South Asia, East Asia, Southeast Asia, and Oceania) to optimise functionality in order to achieve target outcomes for the section. Though these sub-regional committees are informal units, a coordinator has been identified for each to act as a conduit for communication between its members and the RSCAO Chair.

The RSCAO's three priority activities are outlined in the table below which demonstrates the relationship of each priority activity to the Strategic Direction, relevant Goals and Priority Activities in the IFLA Strategic Plan for 2010-2015.

| RSCAO Priority Activity | IFLA Strategic Direction | Relevant goals | Priority Activities |
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| 1. Encourage participation in IFLA by increasing membership in the region: RSCAO target: 30 new members (based on a target | Building the strategic capacity of IFLA and that of its members. | 2a, 2b, 2c | 2.2 |

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| of 5 new members for each sub-regional committee) | | | |
| 2. Encourage and assist with ALP small project applications related to IFLA's Priority Activities/Goals/Strategic Plan, such as: information literacy education, improved access to information, and any aspect of BSLA programme: RSCAO target: 6 applications to put forward (based on each sub-regional committee generating 3 applications which will be prioritised at a local level and forwarded for final selection) | Building the strategic capacity of IFLA and that of its members. | 2d, 2e, 2f | 2.2, 2.3, 2.4 |
| | Empowering libraries to enable their user communities to have equitable access to information. | 1a, 1b, 1c, 1d | 1.3, 1.4 |
| | Transforming the profile and the standing of the profession | 3b | 3.2 |
| | Representing the interests of IFLA's members and their users throughout the world | 4d | 4.5 |
| 3. Identify external sources of funding for regional small projects as back-up if ALP funding not achieved : RSCAO Target: 3 external funding sources from each sub-region linked directly to each small project application in Priority Activity 2. | Building the strategic capacity of IFLA and that of its members. | 2d, 2g | 2.4 |
| | Representing the interests of IFLA's members and their users throughout the world | 4d | 4.5 |

Administrative Reports

6.1. Administrative Budget reported by Chair Dan Dorner

- Received 1,225 EURO from IFLA HQ.
- Spent 440 EURO (140 paid for 1-day keynote speaker, 300 to assist Secretary to attend Beirut Meeting, 50-60 NZD for gifts)
- Budget is healthy and ready to support for going to meetings

6.2. Meeting Budget reported by Ms. Keat Fong Tan

- Received 5,500 EURO from IFLA HQ for meeting budget, the balance from previous year is 2,330 EURO.
- Will receive 5,500 EURO from IFLA HQ for next year,

- Request Chair to approve the balance sheet, so it did.
- Expenditure divided 60% for Mid-Term Meeting and 40% for IFLA WLIC Conference
- RSCAO Newsletter charges Singapore 1,000 Dollar per page for advertisement and generated total 3,000 income last year.

6.3. Report from Chair of Division 5, Dr Buhle Mbambo-Thata

Chair of Division 5, made a brief presentation at the meeting and expressed appreciation for the efforts and works done by SC Members of RSCAO, Chair, and Secretary.

Information Reports

7. Report from the Chair, Dan Dorner

Brief activities report as follow:

- November 2009, I was invited to Singapore as participant/observer to provide commentary and perspective to BSLA program and get to know people. Be aware of insight of IFLA. Understand that there are many strong library associations in our region and there are associations are not so strong that could need help.
- January 2010, as a provider of workshop "Digital Preservation Management" held in Vietnam which was funded by ALP.
- January, 2010, adopt students through "IFLA's Adopt a Student" Project.
- February, 2010, attended Mid-term-Meeting in Beirut, enjoyed the hospitality, lectured in a one-day conference regarding the New Zealand's GLAM Sector. There were five presenters in the workshop.
- March 2010, started organizing the program for the 2011 annual conference and making sure our Open Session speakers are invited and organized.
- March 2010, provide commentary for ALP applications reviews
- May, June, and July, 2010 started preparing for IFLA WLIC 2010 in Gothenburg.
- Project applications could receive funding to be work on to help organizations in our region.

8. Report from the Information Coordinator, Hilda Nassar

- Current number of RSCAO listerv subscribers is 271.
- Average number of subscriber is between 240 and 300.
- Forwards messages from IFLA HQ regularly to RSCAO members
- Invites comments from SC Members and appreciate those who sent-in messages.

9. Report from the Regional Office, Keat Fong Tan

- Current membership is 294 members of 54 countries which is listed on

Newsletter.

- After Mid-Year Meeting, submitted PPT files to HQ for their references.
- Petrina was recommended to attend IFLA IT project meeting.
- Spent 5,000 EURO for mid-term thanks for the hospitality from three of SC Members from Lebanon.
- Newsletter recently published and would like to have feed-backs.
- Sponsored 5 SC Members (Dan Dorner, Chihfeng P. Lin, Michael Robinson, Fawz Abdullah, and Tendik Yemekpayeva) for the Registration fee for IFLA WLIC.
- Balance Sheet just reported in the Meeting Budget reported.
- For ALP, 7 projects submitted, 3 were selected, Palestine, Kazakhstan, Pakistan.
- October, Singapore Memory Project Conference, submitted proposal for funding support from Administrative Office of Foreign Affairs, UNESCO to sponsor developing countries.
- Support several librarians to visit Singapore Library.
- Singapore submitted bid to host IFLA WLIC 2013.

10. Report and update on ALP, Michael Robinson

Michael Robinson presented a brief report on the stronger focus of ALP on supporting library associations and the BSLA programme.

11. Report and update on progress with the IFLA "Building Strong Library Associations (BSLA)" Projects

11.1 How we can begin to get more possible trainers for future projects by Fiona Bradley

- There is an update session of BSLA by ALP, Time: 13:45-15:15 Place: Congress Hall
- Training, mentoring, study meetings between associations, websites, training materials can be downloaded, and track the projects via materials,
- AALA, two-year project, trainers will be paid,
- Utilize the material and apply for fund support
- Invite all the SC members of the region to
 - 1) Write up materials, for all associations
 - 2) Local examples,
 - 3) Call for more trainers – recommend your colleagues,
 - 4) Contact with regional office
 - 5) Start applying Feb 15th
 - 6) ALP small project, i/o nation level
 - 7) Membership Officer of IFLA HQ has information about L Associations of the region
 - 8) 2010 ALP applications – 10 were received and 3 accepted: 2 BSLA projects: Kazakhstan, & Samoa; a train the trainers project in Palestine
 - 9) Projects for 2011 need to meet the goal of IFLA HQ Strategic Plan 1st October –deadline

12. Asia and Oceania Section's Projects

12.1 Current Projects

Palestine has a current active in applying for ALP Project

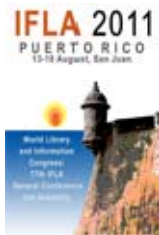
12.2 Future Projects

- Sub-Regional Committees coordinators to submit ideas and suggestions to Chair

13. Report from IFLA RSCAO (2011) Midterm Meeting organizer by Michael Robinson

- We have contacted Hong Kong Library Association and contact potential host venue and will report accordingly
- Working on theme of workshop for the Mid-Term Meeting

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14. Theme: "Libraries beyond libraries: Integration, Innovation and Information for all" in San Juan, Puerto Rico, 13-18 August 2011

15. RSCAO Programme: [Theme]—Time/Day/Date/Place/

- Collecting ideas for "calling for papers"
 - Library beyond libraries, as extension roles of libraries for reference services, such as 1) promoting literacy; 2) Promoting indigenous knowledge.
 - Inviting Latin America.
 - Rural Libraries, as knowledge center, librarians as knowledge workers, any time/any where/any subject
 - User groups, sub-group within our larger group
 - Changing of users, user group, in innovative ways areas of work,
 - More in-depth of user group, aging, retirement
 - Groups of or categorize user groups, age(young, mid-aged)
 - Changing role of libraries of today

- Information Services of public libraries
- Library beyond Libraries = Extending the role of library –
- User-driven services, different countries/classes/user needs and behavior, structure rules to build image.
- Library beyond Libraries equals social capital.
- Information access, various like modern technologies,
 - To set up a IFLA/RSCAO WLIC 2011 Program -Committee to draft for a “Call for Papers” for the program. Members are Michael Robinson, Winston Roberts, and Dan Dorner. Committee submit the result September 15th.

16 Planning for other programmes

16.1 Division of Regional Activities and ALP Open Session

- RSCAO will cooperate with other regions.

16.2 Coordinating Board Meetings

- Division V –Leadership Forum I & II

16.3 Caucus

- Attending Africa, Asia & Oceania and Latin America & Caribbean

16.4 Cooperating with

- Management of Library Associations (MLA),
- Continuing Professional Development and Workplace Learning (CPDWL)

16.5 Cooperating with LIS Education in Developing Countries SIG reported by Chair, Dr. Ismail Abdullahi

- LIS Education in Developing Countries was a Discussion Group (DG) under SET, convened conferences and identified experts in Africa, Asian and Latin America (AALA), moved further to action, due to under-transition and moving to different directions on curriculum, practitioners, and seeking collaboration with RSCAO in the Pre-Conference at WLIC 2011 in Puerto Rico.
- Chair of RSCAO, Dan Dorner welcomes the collaboration and will encourage two volunteers to work with LIS Ed in DC SIG Program Committee.

16.6 Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation Access to Learning Award

- Encouraging SC Members Region to apply for the Award

16.7 Officers Training Sessions

- Chair and Secretary will attend the training session

Other Matters

17. Finding budget resources to support Asia/Oceania colleagues to attend IFLA WLIC

- Keat Fong Tan reported that she will wait to see what the balance is after calculating the costs of the Mid-Term Meeting in HK

18. Planning of Date and Place for Mid-Conference Meeting 2012

- Kazakhstan expressed interest in holding the mid-term meeting but the weather in February will be very cold.
- Will e-mail and call for interests
- Reminder: 2012 Chinese New Year falls on January 23rd

19. Other Business—

19.1 The promoting reading on the regional level.

- Suggested by Tendik Yermekpayeva and report on taking advantage of the rich human ideas from famous writers by National library – Choose one book, one author, start in one country and expand to another one in the neighborhood countries, share and connect via Video conferencing, On-line forum on the book of interest
- Bugdana: enhance book and reading,
- Fawz: joint promoting reading i/o promoting literacy
- Katrina: suggest start a new project of Reading

19.2 The feasibility of videoconferencing at mid-year meetings.

- Suggested by Winston Roberts and Mark Perkins
- Michael Robinson, organizer of Mid-Term-Meeting will proceed the activity

20. Close of Meeting

Remarks: Post SC Meeting II

On August 15th, RSCAO's Open Program attracted about 120 audience to listen to the following presentations:

- Keynote Speaker: Samuel Kai Wah Chu, Ph.D.
Gave a speech entitled "Applications of social networking tools in libraries".
- Dr. Lih-Juan ChanLin from Taiwan, presented "Strategy development in learning through online social networks"
- Nurhazman Abdul Aziz, Chia Yew Boon, and Hazel Loh from Singapore, presented "Sowing the seeds: Towards reaping a harvest using social web applications in Nanyang Technological University Library"
- Muhammad Arif and Khalid Mahmood from Pakistan, presented "Changing Role of Librarians in the Digital World: Adoption of Web 2.0 Technologies in Pakistani Libraries"
- Namali Suraweera et al. Represented 9 authors from 6 countries, presented "Value of social networking in libraries and information organizations in Asia-Oceania"