***Global Vision workshop***

***Invitation template***

Dear <<name>>,

On behalf of <<insert organizer’s name>> I would like to cordially invite you to attend the Global Vision workshop, which will be held on <<date>> at <<place>>.

The meeting is a part of a larger venture implemented by the International Federation of Library Associations and Institutions (IFLA) – the leading international body representing the interests of library and information services and their users. Founded in 1927, it has grown to over 1.400 members in approximately 140 countries around the world.

<<Insert organizer’s name>> is <<insert short description of organization>>. We have been also an IFLA Member since <<if applicable>>.

IFLA’s Global Vision discussion brings together thousands of representatives of the worldwide library field to explore how a connected library field can meet the challenges of the future. Over the course of two years (2017-2018), IFLA will involve as many librarians and others as possible in this global conversation. At the beginning of 2018, the results of the meetings and voting that took place between April and October 2017 will be turned into a *Global Vision Report*. Based on the report, the library field will develop action plans on how to put our collective vision of the future into practice.

During the meeting, we will be discussing a vision for libraries and the challenges and opportunities that libraries face now and that they will be facing in the future. A detailed agenda is attached to this invitation <<if applicable>>.

Our meeting will be highly interactive and we will provide participants the opportunity to voice their opinions and contribute to shaping the outcomes of the meeting.

We would like your contribution in <<describe the participant’s role>>

We will also encourage participants to use social media (Twitter, Instagram, Facebook) during the meeting. Please tag your posts with #iflaGlobalVision.

In preparation for the meeting, you may want to reflect on your work in the library field: Why do you think your work is important? How do you see your work in the future? You may also refer to [IFLA’s Trend Report](http://trends.ifla.org/) as well as other relevant publications about libraries and the trends and developments affecting them.

We firmly believe that only a united and connected library field will be able to fulfil one of the true potential of libraries: to build literate, informed and participative societies. I would be most honored if you accepted my invitation and contribute to what promises to be stimulating discussion and reflection that will inspire participants to act.

Together we create the future. Join us!