# ACTION PLAN and RESOURCE REQUEST FORM for Professional Units 2017 - 2018

# Introduction

An **action plan** for your Professional Unit is essential. It should answer the following questions:

* What are you going to achieve this year? These are your **Objectives**
* What will you do to meet your objectives? These are your **projects** or **activities**
* What are the specific things you will do on each project or activity? These are the **tasks**
* *Who* will do the tasks? *When* will they do them? *How* will they do them? *What* do they need? These are **responsibilities**, **timeline** and  **resources**
* How will you communicate your achievements? This is the **communications plan**
* How will you know you have succeeded? These are the **measures of success**

This year the action plan document can be combined with your request for funding. The Professional Committee will consider both in tandem and this reduces the amount of work for you. Therefore, **there will not be a separate project funding call this year.**

# Process

Your action plan for the next year should be discussed during your standing committee meeting in August and either agreed upon then in person, or by virtual means shortly afterwards. It should be submitted to IFLA Headquarters and your Division Chair in October so that they can analyse it for discussion and planning during the PC meeting in December. At this time we also recommend you share an overview of your Action Plan with your Section Members, alert them to any work you would like them to contribute to, and invite them to comment.

When you implement your Action Plan, the activity coordinators or task leaders should frequently monitor and report on progress to the Standing Committee so that any delays can be identified and rectified.

We recommend that you share your action plan with your Standing Committee via, for example, *Google Docs* or in a *Basecamp project space,* so that you can continually update it and share progress during the year. You should ensure the action plan reports are updated more formally at least every four months (around October, February and June) and shared with your Standing Committee, as well as your Members and your Division Chair.

Your Action Plan should be prepared within the context of the IFLA Strategic Plan and Global Vision project. See <https://www.ifla.org/node/9878> for more information.

***You should delete any explanatory text from your completed Action Plan before circulating it .***

# Action plan 2017 – 2018

**Name of Professional Unit: Acquisition & Collection Development**

**Objectives of Professional Unit 2017-18: (***We recommend a minimum of 1 and a maximum of 5. Please state how each contributes to the IFLA Strategic Plan)*

*NB: as the Key Initiatives 2017-2018 have not been published yet, we link our 3 objectives to the Strategic Directions only*

1. *Objective and contribution to the IFLA Strategic Plan/Key Initiatives:* Strategic Direction 2, Information and Knowledge: Build-up a recognised expertise in the ACD field
2. *Objective and contribution to the IFLA Strategic Plan/Key Initiatives:* Strategic Direction1, Libraries in Society: Increase the international reach of the ACD Section work
3. *Objective and contribution to the IFLA Strategic Plan/Key Initiatives:* Strategic Direction 4, Capacity building: Foster the creativity of the ACD Section and promote it within IFLA

*Build-up a recognised expertise in the ACD field*

*open programme*

satellite meeting

*increase the international reach of the ACD Section work*

Communication tools

Gift guides

foster the creativity of the ACD Section and promote it within IFLA

“Collaborative standards”

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| Objectives  *What do you want to achieve? Use your list above* | Project or activity  *What project or activity are you going to do?* | Main tasks  *What are the specific things you need to do?* | Responsibilities and timeline  *Who will do them and by when?* | Resources  *Do you need specific skills, money or technology?* | Communications  *How will you communicate your achievements? To whom? By when?* | Measures of success  *How will you show the impact of your work?* | Progress  *Report here briefly the progress of your work, at least every month* |
| *1. Build-up a recognised expertise in the ACD field* | a. 2018 open programme Kuala Lumpur  b. 2018 satellite meeting Singapore.  c. Maintain expertise in library publishing. | a. Get the programme features validated then build it.  b. Get the programme features validated then build it.  c. Future programmes and help provided to the creation of a dedicated SIG. | a. Denise Koufogiannakis, as per IFLA timeline.  b. Lidia Uziel and Ann Okerson, as per IFLA timeline.  c. Ann Okerson | No | According to timeline; with ACD Section tools. | Before the event: success of the call for papers. On site: attendance and evaluation forms. | Done during monthly ACD Section management call. |
| 2. *Increase the international reach of the ACD Section work* | a. Update and develop communication tools.  b. Update Gift guide.  c. Update scope of activity of the Section. | a. Assess situation; propose alternate tools as needed; find appropriate responsibility-sharing pattern.  b. Select and write updates; have them translated.  c. Revise and adapt current language. | a. Lynn Wiley, by WLIC 2018.  b. Franziska Wein, by WLIC 2018.  c. Jérôme Fronty, Beacher Wiggins and Lynn Wiley, by WLIC 2018. | a. Webmaster support in case new tools are adopted.  b. c. managed on the Website. | a. & b. With the tools themselves: IFLA based (Website, lists) and beyond (social networks). | a. & b. Statistics and spontaneous responses. | Done during monthly ACD Section management call. |
| 3. Foster the creativity of the ACD Section and promote it within IFLA | Develop a model of “collaborative stantards” for ACD Electronic resource guide. | Transfer the guide on a collaborative platform, test the model, open it online. | Jérôme Fronty, by WLIC 2018. | Hosting the platform, at a marginal cost for IFLA or on an open-source platform. | With the communication tools: IFLA based (Website, lists) and beyond (social networks). | Statistics and spontaneous responses. | Done during monthly ACD Section management call. |

# Resource requirements

If you wish to request resources for any of your planned activities, ensure the details above are complete, then copy the project and task details from above and add the necessary detail below.

**If you wish to request funds, it is extremely important that you submit the Action Plan to your Division Chair and HQ by the deadline 31 October 2017.**

The Professional Committee will discuss during November and agree in the December PC meeting a draft allocation of funds for anticipated reimbursements during 2018. Following confirmation of the level of PC Funds for 2018, the Division Chairs and HQ Professional Support Officer will communicate with Units in January/February to finalise the details. The PC would also appreciate hearing about resource requirements you already anticipate for 2019.

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| Project or activity and Main task  *Use your list above* | Develop a model of “collaborative stantards” for ACD Electronic resource guide.. |
| Resources  *Do you need specific skills, money or technology?*  For what do you need resources in relation to this task? Match your needs again the resources listed below\* | The collaborative platform has to be hosted on a server (example: Wikimedia).  Category= 5 as per below list. |
| Amount of funding. How much money would you like to request from Professional Committee Funds? *Explain your rationale for the estimated amount in each case.* | Usually this is a marginal cost (a few Euros per month) that can be incurred by IFLA directly on the Acquisition Section behalf (our recommendation); or refunded to the Section; or, if possible accounting-wise, put on the administrative funds of the Section. Another possibility is to offset this marginal cost in choosing an open-source platform. |
| Timing.  When would the money need reimbursement?  *Usually reimbursements are made on production of invoices following completion of the work, however, pre-payment can be arranged in some circumstances* | By 2018 1set quarter at the latest for us to be in a position to develop the proposal by the 2018 WLIC. |

## \* Resources

Use the following list in order to identify what kind of activity needs resourcing and therefore what details the PC will expect to read. If you have other details or requests, do not feel restricted to this list:

1. Project meeting (please note that the PC Funds are extremely limited so physical meetings that need funding are not encouraged unless necessary to move a project forward urgently; please try to conduct discussions online or via telephone conference and coordinate your work online where at all possible) –
   1. why is the meeting needed and why can it not be conducted online,
   2. who needs funding (give names),
   3. where is the meeting planned and when (if known),
   4. what costs cannot be covered by the project participant themselves (hotel, flight, local travel, subsistence);
2. Publications –
   1. what document(s) need funding support,
   2. how many copies need printing, if any,
   3. what services are required, if any (editing, design, proof-reading, etc.),
   4. delivery of the document (from where, to where, why);
3. Meeting/workshop logistics – (if this is a project team meeting, see above), ensure there are details to describe the meeting appended when you submit this funding request to the PC (how many people are expected, what are the objectives, who are you partnering with, when and where is it anticipated it will take place, who will be the local organiser),
   1. what logistics need funding (computers, room hire, refreshments, printing),
   2. what participant costs might need support (travel, accommodation),
   3. what trainer costs are there (honorarium, travel, accommodation),
   4. by what other means is the event being funded (participants’ own costs, sponsors, etc.). Give details;
4. Webinar –
   1. What is being planned and with whom,
   2. Who is the target audience,
   3. What technical requirements are there;
5. Software –
   1. What software is required and why;
6. Advocacy materials –
   1. See the relevant number above (project meeting, publication, webinar, etc.);
7. Other - funding item not covered by the categories above**.**

# Next steps

Please send your completed Action Plan to Joanne Yeomans ([joanne.yeomans@ifla.org](mailto:joanne.yeomans@ifla.org)) and your Division Chair by 31st October 2017.

# Questions?

If you have questions or would like help with your Action Plan, please contact Joanne Yeomans ([joanne.yeomans@ifla.org](mailto:joanne.yeomans@ifla.org)) or your Division Chair. We’re ready to help.