To promote and support the development of the profession in the region through the strengthening of Library Associations.

STRATEGIC DIRECTION:
To implement the Building Strong Libraries Programme
GOAL 2D/2F/PRIORITY ACTIVITY 2.4

ACTIONS:
1.1 To implement the Building Strong Library Association (BSLA) programme.
1.1.1 To identify Library Associations in the region who would benefit from the programme and extend it to countries surrounding them.
1.1.2 To establish an African Library and Information Associations & Institutions.

GOAL 2

To promote and support development programmes that focus on improved information use, reading and literacies in Africa.

STRATEGIC DIRECTION:
Empowering libraries to enable their user communities to have equitable access to information.
GOAL 1C/PRIORITY ACTIVITY 3.2

ACTIONS:
2.1 Organize national/regional workshops to develop strategies for creating sustainability of electronic library services in public libraries: electronic infrastructure issues, costing, effective management.
2.2 To support efforts on closing the digital divide.
2.3 Organize workshops on sustainability of electronic library services in public libraries: electronic infrastructure issues, costing, effective management.

GOAL 3

To promote the role of libraries in the Information Society

STRATEGIC DIRECTION:
Representing the interest of IFLA's members and their users throughout the world.
GOAL 4A, 4B, 4D/PRIORITY ACTIVITY 4.1, 4.4, 4.7

OUTCOME:
Launch the AfLIA and the African Public Libraries Network.

ACTIONS:
4.1 Organize 2015 African Library Summit in Ghana
4.2 Organize 2015 first AfLIA Conference in Ghana
4.3 Support the African Public Library Network

GOAL 4

To drive access to content and digital resources for library users.

STRATEGIC DIRECTION:
Empowering libraries to enable their user communities to have equitable access to information.

ACTIONS:
4.1 To organize an international conference on Africa Digital Libraries and Archives (ICADLA-4) in Ghana, 2015.
4.2 To advocate for the adoption and promotion of Open Access Policies.
4.3 To work collaboratively to build a legal, technical and professional base to enable libraries play a major role in collecting, preserving and offering wide access to all types of physical and digital materials.
4.4 To participate in the UNESCO Memory of the World Project.
4.5 To build capacity on the continent on digital preservation of indigenous knowledge and develop guidelines for digital preservation of IKS.

GOAL 5

To promote education and continuing professional development for the library and information profession in Africa.

STRATEGIC DIRECTION:
Transforming the profile and the standing of the profession.
GOAL B/PRIORITY ACTIVITY 3.2

ACTIONS:
5.1 To participate in the review of curricula in library schools in Africa to accommodate emerging developments.
5.2 To compile a Directory of Library and Information Science Schools in Africa.
5.3 To input information on Africa into the IFLA World Report and create a link between the Section’s Web page and the report.
5.4 To encourage the organization of at least one continuing professional development programme at the national level for LIS professionals.
5.5 Capacity building.

GOAL 6

To promote documentation and preservation of indigenous knowledge and to advocate for moral rights, intellectual property and copyright for indigenous knowledge.

STRATEGIC DIRECTION:
Empowering libraries to enable their user communities to have equitable access to information.
GOAL 1A, 1B, 1C, 1E/PRIORITY ACTIVITY 1.2, 1.3, 1.5

ACTIONS:
6.1 To support reading for people with special needs and minority groups
6.2 To encourage the organization of at least one continuing professional development programme at the national level for LIS professionals.

GOAL 7

To support the IFLA Presidential Theme knowledge.

ACTIONS:
7.1 To circulate information about the presidential theme: publish the symposium proceedings in form of articles.
7.2 To organize Satellite meetings on Presidential theme.
7.3 To implement the Trend Report Launched in Singapore in 2013.

GOAL 8

To advocate for improved access to information and knowledge for development in Africa.

STRATEGIC DIRECTION:
Empowering libraries to provide their user communities the avenues for timely and reliable access to information and knowledge to enable them to grow and thrive in their various endeavours.

GOAL 1A/PRIORITY ACTIVITY 1.1.

ACTIONS:
8.1 To sponsor and support the activities of Access to Information Network-Africa=Reseau d'accès à l'information en Afrique (ATINA/RAIA), the Section's Special Interest Group on broadening access to information.
8.2 To maintain a database of libraries from all over the world.
8.3 To provide resources to libraries from all over the world.
8.4 To provide knowledge and information to libraries from all over the world.

GOAL 9

To provide and promote reading culture.

ACTIONS:
9.1 To plan a workshop on sustainability of electronic library services in public libraries: electronic infrastructure issues, costing, effective management.
9.2 To promote documentation and preservation of indigenous knowledge and to advocate for moral rights, intellectual property and copyright for indigenous knowledge.

GOAL 10

To promote education and continuing professional development for the library and information profession in Africa.

ACTIONS:
10.1 To participate in the review of curricula in library schools in Africa to accommodate emerging developments.
10.2 To compile a Directory of Library and Information Science Schools in Africa.
10.3 To input information on Africa into the IFLA World Report and create a link between the Section’s Web page and the report.
10.4 To encourage the organization of at least one continuing professional development programme at the national level for LIS professionals.
10.5 Capacity building.