

IFLA AFRICA STANDING COMMITTEE MEETINGS MINUTES – LYON – FRANCE

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1.0 Opening

1.1: Welcome Remarks – Chairperson.

Dr. Victoria Okojie, Chair of IFLA Africa Section welcomed all SC members and observers and expressed her gratitude to all who were able to make it to the WLIC 2014. She equally went ahead to thank all SC members who have finished their term in the Section for all the work they have done to keep the Section going. Present were Margaret Tarpley and Dr. Shawky Salem. The chair informed that the certificates of colleagues whose terms had come to an end will be collected from the IFLA office and handed to them.

1.2: Adoption of the Agenda.

There was a call for the adoption of the agenda. Ms. Ujala Satgoor moved the agenda for adoptions and this was supported by Nthabiseng Kotsokoane.

1.3: Introduction and Apologies.

Everyone present at the meeting was called upon to introduce themselves beginning with the chairperson.

Apologies.

Introduction was followed by the announcing of apologies as follows:

- Agnes Chikonzo
- Constantine M. Nyamboga
- Gozo Agnes Joyce
- Magocha Bogiwe
- Matscliso Moschoeshoe – Chadzingwa
- Rachael More
- Valentina Bannerman
- Yaw Kofi Christian

2.0: Correction and Adoption of Minutes of the IFLA Africa Section Mid Term Meeting of February 2014, Kumasi – Ghana. Minutes were corrected and moved for adoption by Ellen Namhila and seconded by Nthabenseng.

3.0: Matters Arising from the Minutes.

3.1: IFLA Honours and Awards.

Members of the Section were strongly advised once more to look out for a call for nomination for Honours and Awards on the IFLA website. Members were informed that Associations had a great role to play with respect to nomination of persons for Honours and Awards. That Associations had the right to present to the section candidates deemed qualified to be honoured. Members were informed that the following can guide the nomination of a candidate.

- Someone who has been very active in the Section
- Persons who have done very well in the profession in the continent

An association can nominate for endorsement by the section. Thus both parties have to work together.

3.2: Joint Session with the Child and Young Adult Section of IFLA.

Members were informed that there was a joint forum between the IFLA Africa and child sections that was to take place on Tuesday 19 August 2014 from 13:45 – 18:00 in the Auditorium Pasteur. The theme of the forum was, “**Libraries in Africa: Meeting the Need of Children and Young Adults.**” Everyone present was encouraged to attend. There were 8 speakers selected by the Africa Section with very exciting papers.

3.3: LIS Education in Developing Countries (SIG).

It was observed that last year a committee was created to look into the above SIG, with Kay Raseraka as chair. It was worth informing that by the time the conference of last year ended, this SIG had been moved from Division V to another Section (Education and Training). Thus, with this change, the work of the committee was overtaken. The chair of the Section on Education and Training is Fillipe Martinez.

4.0: IFLA Election Updates

4.1: IFLA Africa Section.

Members were informed that next year is the year of elections. They were equally informed that a member can belong to more than one section of IFLA. Members were thus asked to look out for call for nominations next year for membership into the various sections of IFLA including the IFLA Africa Section.

4.2: Other Elections. Governing Board (GB), President – Elect, FAIFE, CLM, etc.).

Members were encouraged to take interest in membership into the other IFLA bodies listed above next year. They were directed to the IFLA website where good information exist on how to gain membership into the above.

Inputs from the floor on 4.0.

There was a call from an observer requesting members of the Africa Section to enroll in the IFLA Section for Genealogy and Local History. It was added that there was great need for more participation from Africa.

The second speaker (Dr. Kay) cautioned people on the need to attend IFLA meetings so as to contribute to its work/activities. She drew attention to unique sites on the IFLA website where members can make contributions to IFLA work. She added that the E-Mail was a viable tool to use to contribute to the IFLA Africa Section work even if you are unable to attend meetings. One needs to be recognized as one who contributes to the work of your section even electronically she added. There came the issue on Multicultural Populations: It was stated that there is need to bring forward to Africa the issue on Multicultural populations. Members were called upon to attend the session on this subject in South Africa WLIC 2015 and make contributions.

5.0: Reports

5.1. Chair's Report

The IFLA Africa Section Chair, Dr. Victorie Okojie presented her report with the following highlights:

- The IFLA Africa Section Mid Term meeting took place in Kumasi – Ghana from 8 – 9 February 2014. During this meeting, Disaster Management Plan for African Libraries was discussed. The National Library of South Africa is taking the especially in capacity building.
- The Building Strong Library Associations (BSLA) regional workshop was held in Kumasi – Ghana from 10 – 14 February 2014. Forty five (45) participants took part in the BSLA regional workshop. After the workshop, Associations were called upon to prepare and submit projects for funding to IFLA Head Quarters. The first to benefit is from Africa – Zimbabwe.
- The SCECSAL Conference held in Malawi in July, 2014. During this conference, the IFLA Trend Report was discussed and details will be gotten during the ALPS Cluster session.
- LIAS and IFLA held the 7th Annual African Librarianship Public Lecture with the theme: Africa Librarianship in the 21st century on 22 May 2014. The key note speaker was Peter Lor.
- Lyon WLIC: The African Section plans to have a joint session with the children and Young Adults Section on Tuesday, 19 August 2014 from 13:45 – 18:00 at the Auditorium Pasteur. The theme of the open forum is, Libraries in Africa meeting the needs of Young Children and Young Adults.
- The IFLA Africa Standing Committee II meeting will take place on Tuesday, 19 August 2014 from 9:45 to 11:15 at Bellecour I.
- The Africa Section Poster is no. 170, and you are please called upon to visit the stand.
- As far as finances are concerned, only a total of 310 US dollars has been spent on the production of a poster. No other funds have been accessed so far this year.

A full financial report will be presented during the midterm meeting next year.

- ATINA
 - There will be an ATINA business meeting on Monday, 18 August, 2014 from 8:00 to 9:30 at Bellecour 2.
 - The ATINA open Forum will be held on Wednesday 20 August 2014 from 13:45 – 15:45. The theme of the forum is: “Effective Access to

Information as key to sustainable poverty Reduction and Thriving in Africa”.

- The Africa Section Newsletter is available on the IFLA website.
- Most National Associations have had or are planning to have their annual conference.
- IFLA WLIC is taking place in Africa next year. We welcome you all to Cape Town in August 2015.

5.2: IFLA Regional Office for Africa Report, August 2013 – 2014

Introduction:

A year has gone by and it is time to look back on all the happenings at the Regional Office since the last WLIC. Below are the highlights.

2013

- October 07 – 11, the office participated in the LISA Conference in Cape Town. This was important because it was an information awareness campaign for WLIC 2015.
- October 15, 2013 the Regional Office has a visit from Margaret Law from University of Alberta, Canada

2014

- In planning for Kumasi BSLA workshop, a Skype meeting was held between the IFLA, HQ, Regional Office and Buhle Mbambo-Thata, January 2014.
- The Office participated in the midterm meeting held in Kumasi, Ghana 06 - 08 February 2014.
- It facilitated few sessions at the workshop 09 – 15 February 2014 BLSA, Kumasi, Ghana.
- February 18, 2014 the Office Manager represented the Office at John Tsebe’s farewell gathering which took place at the NLSA Auditorium. The Office also contributed a message of goodwill to the retiring National Librarian of SA, CDNL Chair.
- March 19, 2014, the manager presented a paper at the South Africa Library Week Workshop at Westonaria Public Library hosted by LIASA Gauteng South Chapter. The presentation was titled “**IFLA Liquorice: all sorts**”
- 20 March 2014 for the first time the Manager met with the newly posted Goethe Institute Head of Library and Information Services: Sub Saharan African, Brigitte Doellgast.
- As part of the BSLA, the manager facilitated the LIASA GP South meeting on 15 May, 2014 hosted at the Goethe Institute, Johannesburg. The theme

was **“Librarians/Libraries as agents of social change, community development and democracy”**

- In May 22, 2014, Africa Month the Regional Office in partnership with Unisa Library Services hosted the 7th Annual Public Lecture on the theme, **African Librarianship in the 21st century**. Prof. Peter Lor was the presenter on the title, **“Understanding innovation, policy transfer and policy borrowing: implication for LIS in Africa”**
- Segmeti Molawa from the National Research Foundation responded to the lecture.
- The office has been implicated with the creation of Africa-L and Africa-C listserves.
- The Regional Manager attended the SCECSAL XXI held in Lilongwe, Malawi hosted by Malawi Library Association, 28 July - 01 August 2014. On the last day of the conference during the Business Meeting, a session was dedicated to the IFLA Trend Report. A panel of three discussants presented on the five trends before the floor was opened for discussion. A work in progress, Library Associations present, 10 of them were requested to continue the discussion and submit reports to the Regional Office.

5.3: ATINA SIG – Report.

ATINA is a Special Interest Group under the IFLA Africa Section. Abraham Azubuikwe the Convenor took the floor and presented a very brief report. He shared the efforts put in so far in ensuring that ATINA activities are carried out since its transfer from the convenor. The ATINA mission and objective have been revised he informed. He stated that more emphasis is on access to information and development. He stressed the importance of having more people involved in the ATINA activities so that it can be more active and contribute to progress. He informed that there is a forum announced earlier by the chair in her report. During the forum (session 189) 6 papers will be presented. The 6 papers were selected from a total of 25. It was a difficult exercise because papers were very exciting. Members were encouraged to attend and share in the very good paper presentations. Again, members were informed of the ATINA business meeting, session 80 on 18 August 2014. During the business meeting people will learn more about ATINA.

5.4: AfLIA – Report

Dr. Helena Assamoah – Aassan, the AfLIA Chair, presented the AfLIA report with the following highlights:

- AfLIA was launched in South Africa during the 2nd Africa Library summit last year.

- AfLIA now has 73 members from 24 countries in Africa.
- The AfLIA secretariat is being setup.
- The AfLIA strategic plan is on its website
- The first conference of AfLIA and the 3rd Africa Library summit will be organized in Accra – Ghana next 2015. Members were called upon to pick up copies of call for papers for their individual countries and do well to sensitize their communities on this conference and submit.
- 2015 is an election year for AfLIA.
- Flyers on AfLIA were in circulation and members who are not yet members were called upon to read and know how to gain membership.
- The AfLIA website address is: www.afLia.info.

5.5: Conference of Africa National Libraries (CANL) – Report.

The National Librarian of South Africa took the floor and informed members that, the conference of National Libraries that was billed to take place during the SCANULES conference in Malawi did not take place as a result of poor attendance.

5.6: Africa Public Libraries Network (APLN) – Report.

Richard Atuti, the National Librarian of Kenya reported that although the chair of this network was not present, activities of the network were ongoing. He reported that a website for the network has been developed and hosted by the Kenya National Library.

Comments on All Reports Presented.

The following comments were registered on the reports presented.

Firstly, Jacinta Were took the floor to support the observation made on the failed conference of National Libraries by the National Librarian of South Africa. She attributed the poor attendance at the conference to lack of funding especially given that national Librarians were funded in the past to attend conferences which is no longer the case and members are expected to fund themselves.

On the issue of disaster management, it was emphasized that Libraries need more information on the guidelines on digitizing manuscripts and other documents. Governing Board member, Ellen Namhila, took the floor to inform that it will be possible for everyone to make inputs on the guidelines on disaster management before they are adopted by the IFLA Governing Board. That the guidelines are still a draft.

On membership to AfLIA, members were informed that banking details are provided as soon as one completes the application form for membership.

On the Public Library Network, Ujala informed that, a lot of work went into setting up the Public Library Network. She went on to emphasize the importance of doing a survey on legislation on public libraries and to take public libraries seriously because this links to the development issues on the continent and needs to be more responsible to development issues. Richard Atuti was then requested to take these discussions to Getrude, the coordinator of this network.

Members were informed that ICADLA has done work on digitization; members should contact Ibrahim Azuibuke for help. ICADLA is concerned with digitization and preservation. A note of warning was equally made on care to be taken on preservation of digital records because this can lead to great loss. Members were called upon to attend the ICADLA Conference billed for June in Ghana during which they will acquire skills. Abraham A. was called upon to coordinate the conference on behalf of the IFLA Africa Section and make inputs to the IFLA guidelines on disaster management.

There was an issue raised on difficulty in getting VISAs which has militated against people attending international meetings, conferences and congresses. On this point, the Deputy Minister of Culture of South Africa present at the meeting promised to hold a meeting of Ambassadors to see what can be done to facilitate the VISA process. Jacinta Were advised members to start the VISA process early enough.

6.0: IFLA WLIC 2014, FRANCE.

6.1: Updates by the IFLA Africa Section Chair were done in her report.

6.2: Poster Session

Members were informed that the poster session will take place on Sunday August 17 from 16.00 – 18.00 and 20 August and the last day. The poster number was 170.

6.3: Africa Section/Child Section Session:

The Africa Section this year organized a joint session on Tuesday 19 August 2014 from 13:45 – 18:00 in Auditorium Pasteur. The theme was, “**Libraries in Africa: Meeting the Needs of Children and Young Adults**”.

6.4: Africa Caucus.

Members were reminded of the importance of Caucusing for Africa and all were encouraged to be part.

7.0: IFLA WLIC 2015, CAPE TOWN, SOUTH AFRICA

7.1: Updates

Ujala who is the Chair of the organizing committee for WLIC 2015, Cape Town was given the floor to give updates on preparations so far. She provided the following updates:

- The Ministry of Culture has supported the organization of this congress with a substantial grant. This support is even seen further with the presence of the Deputy Minister of Culture of South Africa at the WLIC, Lyon in person, who will take over the baton.
- A National Committee has been put in place and is working very hard to ensure that all goes really well.
- A lot of support is coming in from Regional and National government authorities.
- Lots of information is already being sent out on the Congress.
- It is important for all to start preparing now for the Congress. Poster and Forum sessions should look at aspects of best practices, such as doing more with less.
- All countries on the continent are invited to be part of this great congress and equally the Library Boulevard.
- Co-host of about 400 volunteers are earmarked but it may be difficult to recruit volunteers from far off countries because of issues of accommodation and travel costs. Of course, librarians are the first priority of the volunteers to be recruited. Application forms will be sent out.
- Series of meetings are ongoing especially with the French who have just organized the same event in order to learn some tips.
- There is great need for ideas on how to organize the Opening and Closing Ceremonies especially and others. Thus do not hesitate to send in your ideas.
- Information on the final call for the congress is in members' conference bags.
- The Theme of the Congress is, "**Dianamique Libraries, Access, Development and Transformation**".
- As a section, we will like to have several activities that include:
 - Poster Session
 - Open Forum
 - Pre-Conference with a possible theme being, "**Access to Information and Developing a Reading Culture**".
 - Africa Caucus.
- With respect to leadership development of library Associations, it will be important for all library associations to be active during this congress.
- Women have approached the Section to request for a pre-conference to be organized.
- Suggestions on Sub-Themes for pre-conferences and satellite meetings were requested.

- On the above note, the Deputy Minister for Culture, S.A. proposed the following themes, **“Reading Culture for Youth”, and “Impact of ICT and Reading”**.
- Other proposals included, **“Role of the Library and Indigenous knowledge in Africa “**.
- Alim Garga asked what is being done to resolve the issue of Language especially for French speaking people. He was informed that IFLA has guidelines on languages and this will be respected for the Congress alongside simultaneous interpretations.

8.0: IFLA Head Quarters (HQ)

8.1: IFLA Governing Board Updates. The Africa Section was called upon to contribute to the guidelines on the digitization of local manuscripts. The ICADLA convena was requested to ensure that Africa has a good input to the guidelines on the digitization of local manuscripts.

8.2: Division V Update

Members’ attention was drawn to watch out for calls for nominations and elections into the different IFLA offices that are usually on the IFLA website. People were equally reminded of the Lyon Declaration that was just launched and were invited to get Institutions to sign this declaration. About 5 Institutional signatures are needed and should not necessarily be library institutions. These could include government institutions, NGOs, etc.

8.3: The IFLA International Leadership Programme.

Members were briefed on the IFLA International Leadership Programme. This programme started in 2012 for the first time with 12 members and 3 counselors around the world. Of the 12 leaders, 5 are from the African continent. These leaders are currently rounding up with their work which should come to an end by the end of 2014. Members were informed that leaders were to make presentations at Open sessions and everyone is encouraged to take part on Thursday at 1:45.

9.0: IFLA Africa Section Strategic Plan.

The IFLA Africa Section Strategic Plan was discussed generally with emphasis laid on the execution of these goals. During the IFLA Africa Mid Term meeting in February 2014 in Kumasi – Ghana, SC members were given the responsibilities to coordinate the execution of these goals each. During WLIC in August, therefore, these persons were called upon to report back on the level of the execution of their assigned goals. The summary of the feedback are reported below as follows:

Goal 1: On implementing the Building Strong Libraries Programme.

This goal was assigned to Alim Garga who reported thus: The first regional Conference/Workshop was organized in Kumasi – Ghana where many African Library Associations were represented. Besides this, many Associations organized workshops in their countries as was the case of ABADCAM that organized a workshop in partnership with the US Embassy of Cameroon. Nigeria organized a Book Fair in Port Harcourt. This is to say that, the building Library Association programme is ongoing.

Goal 2: To promote and support Development Programmes that Focus on Improved Information Use, Reading and Literacies in Africa.

On this goal, it was reported that a lot has been done so far across the continent. It was reported that in 2013 a Second African Library Summit was organized in an effort to implement this goal. The Ghana Library Association organized a Conference on Information Literacy with 8 schools involving 300 pupils. A number of reading clinics with two teachers each trained have been established and will be gradually expanded. Members were encouraged to create reading clubs in their various regions and people to get volunteers to help with reading activities.

Goal 3: To promote the Role of Libraries in the Information Society.

The implementation of this goal is ongoing and special note should be taken of the Africa Library and Associations and Institutions (AfLIA) conference call which will take place next year in Accra – Ghana. This will go a long way to support goal 3. Members were advised to take part in the celebration of what AFLIA has been doing in the field of Librarianship as a prelude to Cape Town 2015, August. There are equally on going preparations on a presentation by the Public Library Sector for Cape Town by the Ghanaian Library Association.

Goal 4: To Drive Access to Content and Digital Resources for Library Users.

On this goal Helena Assamoah – Hassan reported on the activities of the memory of the world activities in an effort to have the entire documentary heritage. These activities constitute great efforts in ensuring the drive of access to content. In the process, members were informed of the need for national committees/commissions to recommend what they have at their national levels so that the documentary heritage can be put in the world register. Members were informed that, the National Library of South Africa is coordinating the Regional Committee for documentary heritage. Thus it will be good for interested persons to contact the National Library of South Africa. Kay Raseroka talked of the management of data on the continent with repositories building that are moving up to the next step on data usability. We need to upgrade out

IT level to meet the metadata standards of the Research Council/Alliance data management. Kay was requested to provide the address of this body to SC Secretary who will circulate round. The President of the Ghana Library Association emphasized on the ICADLA conference in May 27, 2015 that will start with a workshop that will have a trust on the project presented by Kay. The National Library of South Africa has a course on disaster management that will help many on the Preservation of disaster registers IFLA equally has a section on Preservation and conservation and members can learn a lot by attending their sessions. Consult the IFLA website on this.

Goal 5: To promote Education and Continuing Professional Development for the Library and the Information Profession in Africa.

Members were requested to visit the IFLA website and be familiar with what IFLA is doing with respect to education and continuing professional development in order to upgrade what they are each doing in their various countries. It is very important to compile a directory of Library schools on the continent. The building of this directory was started but has been stagnant because of lack of input from various countries on the continent. Persons had been designated in the different countries to provide list of Library schools but they have not responded to this assignment. Once again, the following persons were designated to provide information on library schools in their countries. They include:

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| 1. Dr. Aladele | - | Nigeria |
| 2. Ms. Pepetua | - | Ghana |
| 3. Ms. Anne Marie | - | South Africa |
| 4. Mr. Alim Garga | - | Cameroon |
| 5. Mrs. Jacinta Were | - | Kenya |
| 6. Mr. Chikwo | - | Namibia |
| 7. Mr. Pascal | - | Burkina Faso |
| 8. Dr. Shocky Salem | - | Egypt |

The IFLA Africa Section regional manager was requested to send the template on this to the above named persons.

Goal 6: To Promote Documentation and Preservation of Indigenous knowledge and to Advocate for Moral Rights, Intellectual Property and copyright for Indigenous knowledge.

On this it was recommended that each country had to do something about this goal and take responsibility for all activities relating to the above goal in their different countries.

Goal 7: To support the IFLA Presidential Theme.

A report on the Implementation of the Trend Report was given and has a direct link with goal 7. Many countries are still to make an input on the Trend Report. It was equally reported that at the SCESAL conference, there was a discussion on the Trend Report and the outcome of the discussion will be presented during the WLIC Lyon Congress. Members were requested to wake up as a profession otherwise the profession will be replaced. The way to do the wake up is the implementation of the Trend Report which is actually a wake up call. We need to think outside the box and we need to do that quickly, members were advised.

Goal 8: To Advocate for Improved Access to Information and Knowledge for Development in Africa.

In order to implement goal 8, ATINA has been helping to implement this. Members were requested to attend the ATINA session that was programmed the following day as part of the WLIC Lyon sessions.

10.0. ALP

10.1: ALP, BLSA, Building Capacity and the Regions.

IFLA updates on strategic programmes were presented by an ALP team led by Fiona Bradely. These updates were as follows:

- Information on the United Nations – Lyon Declaration was provided.
- The IFLA ALP team expressed gratefulness to AfLIA and the IFLA Africa Section for all the work and support to IFLA's work. They stated that there is a lot of excellent work and activities with mentors and counselors from all over the African continent.
- African Library Associations were able to put forward projects for funding with the example of Zimbabwe and IFLA is looking forward for a report on this. ALP met yesterday and approved other projects for funding.
- Plans are on the way to repeat the workshop that took place in Kumasi on BSLA for Francophone African countries.
- Other countries are called upon to submit their projects for appraisal.
- Members were invited to attend the ALP session in order to get more about the BSLA workshop in Kumasi-Ghana, at St. Clair.
- Members were informed that the leadership programme was ongoing and there is an open session to present their work on Thursday.

- A call for support for the nomination process for the Governing Board members was made.
- Members were reminded on the Lyon Declaration at 9:30 with the Mayor of Lyon taking part, highlighting the role of libraries in providing access to information. In relation to the Lyon Declaration, IFLA is seeking many institutions to sign up for this declaration that will be taken to the United Nations for approval. The UN has been discussing a new set of Millennium Development Goals (MDGs) and next year IFLA will be pushing forward all of these using the Lyon Declaration. There is a lot of information, case studies on how the above information will be shared on how this can be done. Members are called upon to look out for this information in September. After providing all of the above information, Fiona gave the floor to Julia Brungs who talked on the Risk Register for Heritage.

Julia informed that the questionnaires on the risk register for heritage has been finalized and sent out. She added that there has been many responses from Africa already and that the data collected are confidential. She called on members to fill the directory on the said issue indicating the risk documents available in their countries. She informed that the risk register will come out next year 2015.

On the above note, the following were registered:

- For members to provide information for the risk registers
- For members to indicate their needs for the Building Strong Library Associations (BSLA) Programme.
- Whether the IFLA Africa Section will like to forward any issue relating to the Lyon Declaration.

Following the presentations of the ALPs members, the chair of the IFLA Africa Section, employ members to take advantage of all the IFLA ongoing programmes. She called on people to apply for the BSLA support funds and take the advantage provided by IFLA to build a strong Library Associations. She added that more information will be provided after the Mid Term Meeting.

11.0 Africa LIS Conference: Reports and Announcements

11.1 ICADLA4. This will take place in Ghana May 2015

11.2 There will be the first AfLIA Conference in June 2015 in Accra Ghana and the third African Library summit.

11.3 Others

There will be an ABADCAM Conference in Cameroon from 17th to 18th 2014 in Yaounde.

Members were requested to give information on other conferences and activities so that members can be informed and take note of the dates.

12.0 Next Meeting

Kenya was announced as the venue for the next meeting which will be the IFLA Africa SC Mid Term meeting in February 2015 by the end of the first week

13.0 Any Other Business

- Division V meeting agreed on producing an officers handbook for the section. A first draft for this will be ready in February 2015.
- Egypt is building a data base on all libraries in Africa and this is about 80% gone. Egypt was requested to send this across especially to the standing committee for inputs and this should be equally sent to the secretary SC and Regional Manager of Africa SC.
- There was a suggestion to create a Wiki
- Members were called upon to organize discussions around the Trend Report and to get signatories for the Lyon Declaration.

14.0 Closing Remarks and Adjournment

The chair IFLA Africa SC, once again reminded members of WLIC 2015 to be hosted by Africa and employed all to be part of this very important congress and to be very active. She went on to thank all for the very active participation in the two meetings. She requested all to take all the information to their different countries, networks and push forth with the development of the LIS section. She wished everyone an enjoyable conference and safe journey back to their various countries. With this the meeting was adjourned for February 2015 in Kenya.

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