2011 Updates

ABOUT THIS GROUP

This group pride itself by being a host to the following portfolios:

- IFLA President: Madam Ellen Tise, South Africa
- Governing Board and PC Members: Dr. Buhle Mbambo-Thata, South Africa
  Helena Asamoah-Hassan, Ghana
- Division V Chair: Dr. Buhle Mbambo-Thata, South Africa
- Chair of the Council for Directors of National Libraries of the World [CDNL]: John Tsebe, South Africa
- Second Secretary of CDNL: Rachel More, SA

Africa Section SC Members hold other SC membership from other group
e.g. Alim Garga, SC Member for Library and Research Services for Parliaments Section

NEWS

1. MEMBERSHIP

Did you remember to renew your membership? It’s never too late
Africa needs its members to stay in the global arena of LIS. Your membership is
highly valued, join today and broaden your horizon. Send all you inquiries to:
membership@ifla.org or Lnhlapo@unisa.ac.za

2. ULULATIONS!

- Africa scooped all positions on poster.
  ~1st Prize for the best IFLA poster, 2010 ~ Burkina Faso
- The newsletter received 2nd position
- Mokgadi Senyolo received the First Ellen Tise Leadership Grant (LIASA, SA) towards IFLA
  attendance
- OCLC 200 Jay Jordan IFLA/OCLC Early Career Development Fellowship Program.
  ~ Africa prides itself with the following members being chosen for the fellowship program
  - Mrs. Khumo Dibeela, Assistant Librarian, Botswana College of Agriculture, Gaborone, Botswana
  - Mr. Fiskani Ngwira, Library Assistant, Mzuzu University, Mzuzu, Malawi

3. MAILING LISTS

African LIS Community is encouraged to make use of the listserves below to communicate events,
news notices… around their area.

- Ifla-l@inforserv.inist.fr
- Iflafrica@unisa.ac.za
- Aflib-l@googlegroups.com
4. REGIONAL OFFICE

The University of South Africa, UNISA, was granted a second term to host The Regional Office for Africa.

5. MIDTERM MEETING

Africa Section Midterm Meeting, 15 – 16 February 2010, Stellenbosch, South Africa

Main outcome:
- Four papers were selected for presentation at WLIC 2010, Gothenburg
- Strategic plan was updated
- 2011 venue for WLIC was announced as Puerto Rica
- It was announced that Africa Section amongst the best ALP project owners.

PUBLICATIONS

Library Management: Africa perspective. V31 no.6, 2010
Library Capacity Building Interventions for the Millennium Development Goals for Southern Africa, 2010

PROJECTS

- Building Strong Library Association, Cameroon. December 2010
  Few modules within the BSLA package will be selected
- Training of Trainers on Information Literacy, Lesotho. October 2010
  Librarians from Botswana, Lesotho and Swaziland will be trained

CONFERENCES/ WORKSHOPS/ MEETINGS

1. Midterm Meeting 2011

The Section will have a midterm meeting in February 2011 in Cameroon

2. African Library Summit 2011

UNISA [Library Services and the School of Library and Information Sc] in partnership with Africa Section will host a summit with a theme “The Future of African Librarianship: possibilities and opportunities” 11 – 13 May 2011, Glenburn Lodge, South Africa. Focus areas for the summit will include
- African LIS challenges and opportunities
- African LIS trends and initiatives
- Collaborations and learning opportunities

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2011 WLIC

The Section will have the following features in Puerto Rica
- Open Forum
- Poster
- SC Meeting
- Div. V Leadership Forum
First Ellen Tise Leadership Grant to Rebecca Senyolo

Best IFLA Poster Session 2010
Kabou Kamhoukadio, Burkina Faso

Grace Musoke, Uganda, grantee for Göteborg