

**RSCAO IFLA**  
**Mid-Term Meeting, 17 March 2020**  
**Programme Sub-Committee 2019-2021**  
**Report from ChihFeng Lin**

A Zoom Meeting was held on 7 November 2019 and was attended by:

1. Tina Yang
2. Jayshree Mamtora
3. Nor Edzan Che Nasir
4. Chih Feng
5. Arshad Mahmood
6. Ramesh C. Gaur

**OPEN SESSION**

**Theme**

Two themes were suggested by the Committee. Both themes were appropriate but did not convey the message that it was suppose to. A new theme was formulated as follows:

Sharing our stories: libraries in Asia and Oceania supporting the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs)

**Format**

The agreed format is as follows:

**Session One:** 70 minutes

1. Keynote (15 minutes)
2. 5 paper presentations (10 minutes each)
3. Q & A and Other matters (5 minutes)

**Session Two:** 50 minutes

1. Round Table engagement and discussion (45 minutes)
2. Wrap-up (5 minutes)

**Others**

1. Banquet setting with a facilitator at each table.
2. Avoid early morning slots.
3. Open Session to be held on earlier dates of WLIC 2020.

The Call for papers was drafted and uploaded on at <https://2020.ifla.org/cfp-calls/asia-and-oceania/>. EasyChair will be used for paper submission.

**Abstract Submissions and Review**

At the close of the abstract submission, we received 36 abstracts. A total of 19 abstracts were rejected since they did not adhere to our abstract format and 17 abstracts were accepted. Out of the 17, one abstract was rejected since it did not address the theme.

Table 1: Status of Abstracts Submitted

No.	Country of origin of 1 <sup>st</sup> author	Formatted and accepted	Formatted But did not address the theme	Unformatted and rejected
1.	Bangladesh	1		
2.	China	4		
3.	Hong Kong	1		
4.	Iraq			2
5.	India	1	1	
6.	Indonesia	2		
7.	Korea	1		1
8.	Lebanon	1		
9.	Malaysia	1		5
10.	Pakistan	2		2
11.	Philippines	1		4
12.	Singapore	1		
13.	Sri Lanka			1
14.	Taiwan			1
15.	Thailand			2
16.	US			1
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>19</b>

A total of 16 abstracts were reviewed by a panel of reviewers comprising of the following:

- (1) Arshad Mahmood
- (2) Cendrella Habre
- (3) ChihFeng Lin
- (4) Inoue Yasuyo
- (5) Nayana Darshani Wijayasundara
- (6) Ramesh C. Gaur

Each one reviewed 5 to 6 papers and each abstract was reviewed by 2 reviewers.

#### **Selected Abstracts**

The 5 abstracts that scored the highest marks will be presented at the Open Session and another 2 will be kept as reserves. However, for the second reserve, three abstracts scored the same marks.

Table 2: Accepted and Reserve Abstracts

	<b>Title</b>	<b>Author (s)</b>	<b>Country of origin of 1<sup>st</sup> author</b>
<b>WILL BE PRESENTED</b>			
1.	Supporting the Sustainable Development Goals: The Story of the Chinese University of Hong Kong Library	Leo F.H. Ma Lily Y. Ko	Hong Kong
2.	The Evolving Practices of LIS Professionals in Attaining SDGs: The Bangladesh Experience	Dilara Begum Tamanna Hossain Shaharima Parvin	Bangladesh
3.	Exploring the Role of Public Libraries in Creating Health Awareness to Achieve Sustainable Development Goal-3: A Case from Asia Oceania	Ashraf Sahrif Saira Hanif Soroya	Pakistan
4.	Electronic Textbooks, Affordability and Sustainable Development: The Story of Singapore Management University	Nazimah Ram Nath	Singapore
5.	Chinese Libraries Confront with the Outbreak of Novel Coronavirus Disease: Practices and Lessons	Zhang Jun Wei Dongyuan Jiang Shan	China
<b>WILL BE KEPT AS RESERVES</b>			
1.	Centre de Lecture and d'Animation Culturelle and Sustainable Development in Lebanon	Dalia Abilmona Imad Bachi	Lebanon
2.	u-Library: Opportunity Without Exception for a Better Life	Yazid Ibrahim	Malaysia
2.	Green Libraries in Pakistan: An Investigated Overview of IFLA Checklist	Mahjabeen Ali Ambreen Aziz	Pakistan
2.	Library Promotion and User Library Education as Contribution of Library in Supporting SDGs by Improving Digital Literacy to Ex-Prostitute Women Case Study Electronic Bookmobile Service (Pustelling) National Library of Republic Indonesia	Sutrilastio	Indonesia

Authors of the accepted abstracts will be notified via email. Once they have accepted, they will be asked to submit their full paper and slides to the Committee.

### **KEYNOTE SPEAKER**

A keynote speaker has been identified but confirmation of his/her acceptance is subject to the date of the Open Session.