

## IFLA REGIONAL SECTION FOR ASIA AND OCEANIA

### Strategic Planning Report

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#### SDG Stories from the Asia and Oceania Region

A sub-group of the Strategic Planning Sub-Committee - the RSCAO SDG Stories Working Group, made up of: Premila Gamage, Jayshree Mamtora, Vicky McDonald and Winston Roberts, has focused its energies on working on this project. The details of the project initially, were widely distributed through mailing lists, social media, and through committee members as well as all IFLA members in the Asia and Oceania region.

Due to world events overtaking our lives, priorities and our timelines, the deadline for submission of stories was revised and extended, and eventually, a total of 44 submissions were received. However, we have not been able to use many of these submissions due to incomplete data, or in some cases, the unsuitability of the story.

The shortlist thus far is as follows:

RSCAO Regions	No of Stories	Countries
West Asia	1	Lebanon
Central Asia	1	Kazakhstan
South Asia	1	India
SE Asia	2	Philippines Singapore
NE Asia	11	Macau (3) Korea (8)
Oceania	5	Australia (2) New Zealand (3)

Currently, each one of the RSCAO sub-regions is represented with *at least* one story. However, our sub-regions are large and it would be more representative to include further countries from the sub-regions. A call has been made out for further submissions, with a deadline of 22 November.

The final aim is to develop an online booklet of SDG stories from Asia and Oceania, produced as a pdf. The LIANZA team have come on board to help us with the production of the booklet.

We plan to release the booklet by the end of the year.

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