Cataloguing Section

Annual report 2004

Scope Statement

The Cataloguing Section is the centre of international developments in cataloguing theory, activities, and standards development within IFLA. The Section analyses the functions of cataloguing activities for all types of materials and media, including both bibliographic and authority information, for the benefit of all users. The Section proposes and develops cataloguing rules, guidelines, and standards for bibliographic information, taking into account the developing electronic and networked environment in order to promote universal access to and exchange of bibliographic and authority information. The Section also provides leadership in the development of various standards and guidelines related to bibliographic activities, such as corporate name headings, authority entries, OPAC displays, and metadata standards.

Membership

The section has 170 members.

The standing committee consists of 20 members and two corresponding members. Europe, with Russia, and North America are well covered, but we are still eager to have participation from Asia, Africa, Central America, and South America.

Standing Committee members:

Nafisah Ahmad (1st term: 2003-2007)
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Christina Magliano (1st term: 2001-2005)
Monika Münnich (2nd term: 2001-2005)
Eeva Murtoamaa (1st term: 2001-2005)
Peter van Otegem (1st term: 2003-2007)
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**Meetings - August 2004, Buenos Aires**

The Section's Standing Committee met in two sessions during the Buenos Aires conference, attended by 38 and 27 persons respectively, observers included. The main discussion focused on
reports of activities, especially the conference of cataloguing experts that took place in Buenos Aires the week before IFLA, the strategic plan, reports of working groups (ISBD, FRBR, etc.), and plans for future conferences, including the satellite meeting in Finland prior to the 2005 Oslo conference. Special attention was given to the review of the Section’s goals and achievements for 2001-2004 as part of the IFLA review of all sections and to a proposal forwarded to the division’s Coordinating Board on procedures for review groups. The officers participated in two sessions of the division's Coordinating Board, held during the conference.

**Projects and Working Groups**

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<th>Title</th>
<th>Chair</th>
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<tr>
<td>ISBD Review Group</td>
<td>John Byrum [reported by Glenn Patton for John Byrum who was not in Buenos Aires]</td>
<td>ISBD(G) - 2004 revision on IFLANET.</td>
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<td>ISBD(A) - study group appointed; draft to be ready before Oslo conference.</td>
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<td>ISBD(CM) - revised draft for worldwide review in early 2005.</td>
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<td>ISBD(ER) - revised draft reviewed by Standing Committee in late 2004; concerns raised by SC members to be addressed in early 2005.</td>
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<td>Work of Series Study Group to be finished in latter part of 2004.</td>
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<td>The new Future Directions Study Group discussed a consolidated ISBD. Study Group will meet in April 2005 to have draft ready for Review Group in Oslo.</td>
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<td>The new Materials Designation Study Group began its work.</td>
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<td>Working Group on Guidelines for OPAC Displays</td>
<td>Lynne Howarth</td>
<td>Final version to be ready in 2004; to be published in IFLA Series on Bibliographic Control.</td>
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<td>Working Group on Multilingual Dictionary of Cataloguing Terms and Concepts</td>
<td>Monika Münnich</td>
<td>Monika Münnich will report on ongoing work in Oslo; she was unable to be in Buenos Aires.</td>
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<td>Working Group on Anonymous Classics</td>
<td>Nadine Bodkaert</td>
<td>Pt. 1 completed and posted on IFLANET. A different structure for other parts to be explored.</td>
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<td>Working Group on the Use of Metadata Schemes</td>
<td>Lynne Howarth</td>
<td>Results of worldwide review to be processed during second half of 2004; revised report to be sent to Cataloguing Section for approval in January 2005.</td>
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<td>Section Liaison to Working Group on FRANAR</td>
<td>Glenn Patton</td>
<td>Revised draft to working group by mid-October and then for world-wide review by late 2004/early 2005.</td>
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<td>FRBR Review Group</td>
<td>Patrick Le Boeuf</td>
<td>FRBR homepage on IFLANET, with listserv and bibliography. Three working groups met during year: Expression entity; Continuing resources; and FRBR/CRM dialogue. Two working groups to be developed in 2005: Teaching and training; Subject relationships.</td>
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<td>Planning Committee for a series of international meetings of cataloguing experts on a International Cataloguing Code</td>
<td>Barbara Tillett</td>
<td>To explore the ground for further harmonization of cataloguing rules internationally and a new Statement of international cataloguing principles. Second meeting in the series was held in Buenos Aires prior to the IFLA conference. Reports of first meeting and draft statement of principles published [see Publications section of this report]. Planning continues for meetings in other regions.</td>
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<td>Working Group for an International Cataloguing Code</td>
<td>Barbara Tillett</td>
<td>As a development of the international meetings of cataloguing experts for an International Cataloguing Code; working group established in Buenos Aires 2004.</td>
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<td>Names of Persons</td>
<td>Peter van Otegem (contact person)</td>
<td>Decided that first step in revision of document is to post it on IFLANET with request for additions and corrections.</td>
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For more detailed information, please refer to the Cataloguing Section's minutes for Buenos Aires 2004 on IFLANET.

**Publications not noted in previous table**

The Section's newsletter, SCATnews, published two issues for 2004: no.20-21, January and June, respectively.

Anonymous Classics: a list of uniform headings for European literatures. Second edition, revised by national experts co-ordinated by the working group set up by the Cataloguing Section. Published on IFLANET in 2004.

IFLA Cataloguing Principles : Steps towards an International Cataloguing Code. Report from the
Conference Programmes

The Section reported on its activities in the Open Forum of the Division of Bibliographic Control. It also had one Open Session with three papers related to cataloging guidelines, moving from the abstract to a specific application. Barbara Tillett reported on the second International Meeting of Experts on an International Cataloguing Code, held in Buenos Aires just prior to the IFLA conference; documents from that meeting in English and Spanish are available on the meeting’s Web site (http://www.loc.gov/loc/ifla/imeicc/). Lynne Howarth’s presentation, “Enabling Metadata: Creating a Core Record for Resource Discovery,” focused on issues raised in the work of the IFLA Cataloguing Section Working Group on the Use of Metadata Schemas. Carol van Nuys presented a paper written with her colleagues in the National Library of Norway’s Paradigma Project on the involvement of FRBR entities and metadata standards in the project’s work of archiving digital documents. Approximately 250 people attended this programme; simultaneous interpretation was not available but translations of the Howarth and van Nuys papers in French, German, and Spanish prepared by members of the Steering Committee were available on IFLANET prior to the conference.

Relationships with other Bodies

The Section officers work with officers of the other sections in the Division of Bibliographic Control, meeting as the Coordinating Board of the Division. The Section is working toward closer cooperation within the division; one example is the joint programme with the Classification and Indexing Section for the Oslo conference. There are also links with the Information Technology Section.

The Section has unofficial links to the EU project LEAF and to the EU project INTERPARTY, now finished. There are also unofficial links to the Consortium of European Research Libraries (CERL), to LIBER, and to the ISBN community.

For the Cataloguing Section:

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Chair
Judith Kuhagen
Secretary