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## **IFLA Cataloguing Section**

### **Annual report 2012**

The Cataloguing Section strives to be the centre of excellence 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 supports the development of 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, and OPAC displays.

#### **Membership**

At the end of 2012 the Section had 145 members: 128 institutions/associations and 17 personal affiliates.

The Standing Committee (SC) consists of 20 members and two corresponding members, representing 17 countries. Two members and one corresponding member are from Asia, one corresponding member is from Africa. Europe (with Russia) and North America are well covered, but the SC is looking for more representation from South America, Africa, and Australia.

## Standing Committee members as of December 31, 2012

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| Ana Barbaric<br>University of Zagreb, Croatia<br>2 <sup>nd</sup> term, 2009-2013                                    | Filiberto Felipe Martínez-Arellano<br>National Autonomous University of Mexico<br>1 <sup>st</sup> term, 2011-2015                   |
| Viktorija Baruskova<br>National Library of Russia<br>1 <sup>st</sup> term, 2011-2015                                | Patrizia Martini<br>Central Institute for the Union Catalogue of Italian Libraries (ICCU), Italy<br>1 <sup>st</sup> term, 2009-2013 |
| Anders Cato<br>Gothenburg University Library, Sweden<br>2 <sup>nd</sup> term, 2009-2013                             | Dorothy McGarry<br>University of California, Los Angeles, USA<br>1 <sup>st</sup> term, 2011-2015                                    |
| Christine Frodl<br>German National Library, Germany<br>1 <sup>st</sup> term, 2011-2015                              | Milena Milanova<br>Sofia University "St. Kliment Ohridski", Bulgaria<br>1 <sup>st</sup> term, 2011-2015                             |
| Agnese Galeffi<br>Vatican School of Library Science, Italy<br>1 <sup>st</sup> term, 2011-2015                       | David Reser<br>Library of Congress, USA<br>1 <sup>st</sup> term, 2011-2015  |
| Ben Gu<br>National Library of China<br>2 <sup>nd</sup> term, 2009-2013  | Pat Riva<br>Bibliothèque et Archives nationales du Québec, Canada<br>2 <sup>nd</sup> term, 2009-2013                                |
| Tuula Haapamäki<br>University of Helsinki, Finland<br>1 <sup>st</sup> term, 2009-2013                               | Miriam Säfström<br>National Library of Sweden<br>1 <sup>st</sup> term, 2011-2015  |
| Hanne Hørl Hansen<br>Danish Bibliographic Centre Ltd., Denmark<br>1 <sup>st</sup> term, 2009-2013                   | Bettina Wagner<br>Bayerische Staatsbibliothek, Germany<br>1 <sup>st</sup> term, 2009-2013   |
| Unni Knutsen<br>Oslo and Akershus University College of Applied Sciences, Norway<br>1 <sup>st</sup> term, 2011-2015 | Jay Weitz<br>OCLC Online Computer Library Center, USA<br>2 <sup>nd</sup> term, 2011-2015  |
| Cha Kyung Lee<br>The National Library of Korea<br>1 <sup>st</sup> term, 2011-2015                                   |   |
| Françoise Leresche<br>Bibliothèque nationale de France<br>2 <sup>nd</sup> term, 2011-2015                           |   |

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Swaziland  
2<sup>nd</sup> term, 2010-2012

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### **Meetings – August 2012, Helsinki**

The Section's Standing Committee met in two sessions during the Helsinki conference, attended by 59 and 72 persons respectively, observers included. Main topics of discussion included:

- Reports from review groups, working groups and projects (see table below)
- Reports from the Leadership Forum of the Library Services Division. Important points here were funding of IFLA projects, publication of IFLA standards on the web, and planning of satellite meetings.
- Financial report 2012 and budget 2012/2013
- Discussion of the strategic plan 2011-2013. Two subjects were raised. The ICP (*International Cataloguing Principles*) needs to be updated. A working group was formed to plan this revision. The CATS strategy on an international cataloguing code was also discussed. It was decided that whilst the Section should continue to take a leadership and partnership role in international cataloguing work, the Section should not aim to form an international cataloguing code. The Strategic plan should be revised and current 1.4 in the document be deleted.
- The newly formed IFLA Committee on Standards was presented by chair Patrice Landry.
- The Statement on UBC (Universal Bibliographic Control) that was drafted by the Bibliography Section. This has been commented and endorsed by the Cataloguing Section.
- Next year's open programme will be a joint venture with the Audiovisual & Multimedia Section. The theme of the next IFLA WLIC is "Future Libraries: Infinite Possibilities".
- Satellite meeting 2014: The SC is planning a satellite meeting on RDA as a follow-up to the 2011 meeting. The National Library of Germany has offered to serve as host, and the conference will be held in Frankfurt the 13<sup>th</sup> of August.

## Review groups, working groups and projects

Title	Chair	Status
FRBR Review Group	Pat Riva	<p>The namespaces for FRAD and FRSAD were completed and published, joining the FRBRer namespace on the Open Metadata Registry. In March 2012 de-referencing services were implemented in the OMR, the FRBR RG sponsored this development.</p> <p>Consolidation of models project was the main focus of work. The FRBR RG held a mid-year meeting April 25, 2012 at the British Library. The draft consolidated user tasks were published in SCATnews no. 37 (June 2012). Progress was made on the consolidation of entities during meetings on August 10 and 16 in Helsinki. Two meetings (May and November 2012) were held of the FRBR-CIDOC CRM joint working group. The work to expand FRBRoo to include the entities and properties defined in FRAD and FRSAD was completed, resulting in FRBRoo version 2.0.</p>
ISBD Review Group	Mirna Willer	<p>ISBD Strategic Plan approved: ISBD review process to start 2014/2015. Namespaces for ISBD completed and published on the Open Metadata Registry; in Febr. 2012 de-referencing services were implemented in the OMR. Mappings (Area 0/ROF) and alignments (ISBD/RDA) approved. Work in progress on documents to be prepared for approval in Aug. 2013: <i>ISBD Profile in RDA</i> final version (meeting in Sept. 2012, Madrid) and <i>RDA App. D.1 ISBD punctuation</i>. Activities outstanding</p>

		pending further development of: consolidation of FR models, ISBD/ROF namespaces mapping, DCMI Application Profile, ISBD namespaces translation guidelines in OMR. Detailed report of activities of the group can be found at <a href="http://www.ifla.org/node/861">http://www.ifla.org/node/861</a>
Working Group on Multilingual Dictionary of Cataloguing Terms and Concepts (MulDiCat)	Anders Cato, Gordon Dunsire	90% of MulDiCat has been published in the Open Metadata Registry (OMR) which allows for better use of its multilingual content.
Names of Persons	Anders Cato, Francoise Leresche	The WG is looking at alternate solutions for maintaining and updating the content of Names of Persons. VIAF has been contacted, but not answered yet.
IFLA Namespaces Task Group	Gordon Dunsire	<i>This group is affiliated with the Classification and Indexing Section, but its work is of great interest to the Cataloguing Section.</i> Report of activities of the group can be found at <a href="http://www.ifla.org/node/5353">http://www.ifla.org/node/5353</a>
Review of the <i>Statement of International Cataloguing Principles</i> (ICP)	Working group: Agnese Galeffi, Dorothy McGarry and David Reser	The WG has found that an update of the ICP is necessary. The WG continues its work by planning for such a review. The group is expanded with representatives from the FRBR RG (Elena Escolano) and the ISBD RG (Tuula Haapamäki).

For further information on the work of the FRBR Review Group and the ISBD Review Group, see <http://www.ifla.org/en/frbr-rg> and <http://www.ifla.org/en/isbd-rg>.

## **Publications**

Two issues of the Section's newsletter, SCATnews, was published: no. 37 in June and no. 38 in December 2012. Editor: Unni Knutsen. An online survey about the content of SCATnews has been made.

### **Satellite meeting and open programme 2012**

A satellite meeting with the theme "Bibliography in the digital age" was held in Warsaw. The meeting was organised by the Cataloguing section together with the Bibliography section. The National Library of Poland served as host and most generously supplied the conference venue, lunch and the organisation team. This meant there was no need for a conference fee. The meeting was attended by about 70 persons. The programme combined presentations from a call for papers with a "tour around the world" where invited speakers talked on the subject. National bibliographies were in focus, but the angle was a cataloguing/metadata one and the result was very good.

The Section's open programme theme was "Inspired moments in cataloguing". It consisted of four papers (listed below), and the speakers represented four countries and three continents. All papers were available on the IFLA website in advance, and the abstracts were available in many languages. As usual the programme was very well-attended.

"The gap between users and cataloging" by Zhai Xiaojuan and Nie Na (Nanjing University Library, Nanjing, Jiangsu Province, China)

"Metadata with levels of description: new challenges to catalogers and metadata librarians" by Myung-Ja Han (University of Illinois at Urbana Champaign, Urbana, Illinois, USA)

"Digital services in a new digital library - new ways of presenting the library catalogue" by Asgeir Rekkavik and Anne-Lena Westrum (Oslo Public Library, Deichmanske bibliotek, Oslo, Norway) and Kim Tallerås (Oslo and Akershus University College of Applied Sciences, Oslo, Norway)

"L'infrastructure de l'information et les besoins des utilisateurs: tout le pouvoir aux données structurées!" by Vincent Boulet (Bibliothèque nationale de France, Paris, France)

### **Relationships with other bodies**

The Section officers work with officers of the other sections in the Library Services Division.

Jay Weitz serves as the SC liaison to the American Library Association's Committee on Cataloging: Description and Access (ALA CC:DA). Paola Manoni serves as the SC liaison to ISO TC46. The Standing Committee invites other rule-making bodies to name liaisons to the Cataloguing Section.

For the Cataloguing Section:  
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Miriam Säfström, Secretary