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PREFACE
The approval by Council of the new Statutes at its meeting in Jerusalem in 2000 marked the culmination of a great deal of work to restructure the Federation. The objective was to put in place a more democratic system and to enable the steering bodies of IFLA to reflect our truly international membership. The huge majority in favour of the new Statutes recorded in the postal ballot was vindication of the initial proposals of the original Working Party, chaired by former IFLA Treasurer, Warren Horton.

The Federation is a membership organisation, which receives most of its income from membership fees. Membership figures show steady growth, as does the number of countries represented in the IFLA family. However, there is great potential for more members. The Executive Board has endorsed the strategy developed by the Treasurer and the Membership Development Committee to recruit more members by making membership more accessible and affordable. First steps in this direction were the decisions by Council to introduce a new category of Student Affiliate Membership on an experimental basis, reduce fees for National Association Members in the least developed and developing countries and introduce differentiated bands of fees for Institutional Members.

Among the goals of the Federation is to promote the provision of high quality library and information services throughout the world. This year, the Professional Board approved a statement of IFLA’s Professional Priorities. The intention is that these priorities will inform the work of all IFLA’s professional units (Divisions, Sections, Round Tables and Core Activities) over the next few years. This should result in a clearer focus and greater coherence as we strive to achieve that goal.

The decision to hold our conference in Jerusalem this year, which was taken six years previously in rather different circumstances, inevitably proved to be a controversial one. However, the Executive Board stressed in a statement that in holding the conference in Jerusalem it was not making a political statement.

Although the finances of the Federation continue to be healthy, the funding of IFLA’s Core Activities is a cause for concern. Although their work is fundamental to the objectives of the Federation, it has never proved possible to fund them from the central budget. They exist only because of the generosity of their host institutions, supplemented by modest funds from the Core Activities Fund. This fund is dependent entirely on voluntary contributions. The Executive Board completed a review of the Core Activities during the year, which it is hoped will help secure their future. However, at the end of the year, it was announced that the host of the Universal Dataflow and Telecommunications (UDT) core activity and our Website IFLANET could not continue to support it. So a search began for a new host. This served to demonstrate how dependent IFLA is on external agencies in order to carry out its work on behalf of the international library and information community.

Ross Shimmon
Secretary General
INTRODUCTION
During its 66th General Conference in Jerusalem, Israel (August 2000), IFLA’s Council approved a new set of Statutes. One of the many changes these Statutes brought about was that in future, Council meetings would be held annually. Under the old Statutes, Council met only every two years. As a consequence the “rhythm” of reporting was changed by turning the pattern from bi-annual Council Reports to Annual Reports.

This first annual report covers the period after the 65th General Conference, held in Bangkok, Thailand, 20-28 August 1999 and includes the calendar year 2000. It reflects only the major activities during the period under review. Fuller reports on the activities of IFLA’s professional units can be found in the reports of the Core Activities, Sections and Round Tables on IFLA’s website IFLANET <www.ifla.org>.

MEMBERSHIP
A new category of Student Affiliate Membership was approved for an experimental four-year period.

Per 31 December 1999, IFLA had a total of 1,623 associations, institutions, individuals and corporations (from 144 countries) in membership. By the end of 2000 the total number of members and affiliates amounted to 1,696 (from 152 countries).
A specification of these total amounts can be found in Annex 1.

GOVERNANCE
Executive Board
During the report period, the Executive Board (EB) met on 1 and 2 December 1999 (The Hague), 22 March, jointly with the Professional Board (PB), 22/23 March (The Hague), 11, 14 and 18 August (Jerusalem), 6 December, jointly with the Professional Board and 6/7 December 2000 (The Hague).

Among the main items on the EB’s agenda’s during the report period, were the preparation of new Statutes for the Federation, as well as discussions about the future of the Core Activities.


Two other important position papers, prepared by the Copyright and other Legal Matters (CLM) Core Activity, were approved by the EB: the IFLA Statement on Copyright in the Digital Environment and IFLA Licensing Principles.

Professional Board
During the General Conference in Bangkok (August 1999), eight members of the Professional Board (PB) were elected, two of whom for a second term of two years.
Ralph Manning was elected Chair of the PB. The composition of the PB from August 1999 onward is listed in Annex 3.
During the report period, the Professional Board (PB) met on 29/30 November 1999 (The Hague), 20/21 March, 22 March, jointly with the Executive Board, (The Hague), 11 and 16 August (Jerusalem), 4/5 December and 6 December 2000, jointly with the Executive Board.

The PB discussed matters with regard to professional units (Sections, Round Tables and Discussion Groups), the allocation of funds to projects proposed by these units, IFLA publications and the contents of the professional programme as part of the General Conference.

Throughout the report period, a major item on the PB’s agenda was a discussion of IFLA’s professional priorities in relation to the Core Activities. By the end of 2000, *IFLA’s Professional Priorities* were approved, published and widely distributed within the Federation. They are attached as Annex 4.

Also the possibilities for improving the quality of the conference programme, including the conference papers, were discussed several times during the meetings.

It was decided that a *Medium Term Programme (MTP)* would no longer be published for the period following the last MTP (1998–2001). In future the professional units will be requested to draft 2-year Strategic Plans, starting with the term 2002/2003.

After the ratification of the *IFLA School Library Manifesto* by UNESCO’s General Council (November 1999), the National Library of Canada gave generous support to design and print the text as an attractive brochure in English, French and Spanish versions.

After having been active for a number of years, the Reference Work Discussion Group was approved to become the Reference Work Section, under the Division of Collections and Services.

Two major guidelines that were approved by the PB during this report period were the *Guidelines for Legal Deposit Legislation* and the *Guidelines for Professional Library and Information Educational Programmes*.

**NEW STATUTES**
A Working Group consisting of Marjorie Bloss, Carol Henry, Warren Horton, Derek Law, Sally McCallum, Sissel Nilsen and Ross Shimmon prepared a draft proposal for new IFLA Statutes. These were made subject to consultation by postal ballot by the total IFLA membership, during the period between mid April and end July 2000. The results (return rate 27,4%) were very much in favour of the proposed changes to the statutes:

Against: 3 (0,05%)
For: 595 (99,5%)
COUNCIL MEETING, JERUSALEM
An extraordinary meeting of the IFLA Council was held on 13 and 18 August in Jerusalem. As the main issue on the agenda for 13 August, the Statutes were adopted by 885 votes for the proposal, none against and one abstention.

Council approved proposals to introduce differentiated fees for Institutional Members, and to reduce the fees for National Association members in the least developed countries.

Marjorie Bloss, Chair of the Advisory Committee on the Future of Division 8, reported on a number of hearings on the future of this Division for Regional Activities, held during the conference week. She presented an interim report of her committee, which would continue its activities for an additional year.

It was announced that the 71st General Conference 2005 would be held in Oslo, Norway.

CORE ACTIVITIES
The FAIFE Core Activity was closely involved in an assessment of the situation concerning libraries in Kosova/Kosovo by a joint expert mission of UNESCO, the Council of Europe and IFLA in February; a report was published in May.

In the framework of the new Statutes, and as a part of the overall restructuring of the Federation, a review was executed of IFLA’s Core Programmes. A Working Group, consisting of Lis Byberg, Derek Law, Winston Tabb, Ross Shimmon and Sjoerd Koopman, had prepared a discussion paper, The Future Structure of IFLA’s Core Activities, which was discussed at several meetings throughout the Jerusalem conference week; it met with broad general consensus at all levels. Proposals put forward in the report were received very favourably by the Conference of Directors of National Libraries (CDNL) and all proposals were approved by IFLA’s Executive Board. These proposals included the nomination of a small Advisory Board for each core activity, as well as procedures for planning and review of their work.

In December 2000 the National Library of Canada (NLC) informed IFLA that it could no longer support the UDT Core Activity, including IFLA’s website IFLANET. This would be effective as from 31 December 2001. The Executive Board immediately started a search for a new host for IFLANET and as a consequence the EB decided that further expansion and development of the website should be put on hold.

GENERAL CONFERENCE
IFLA’s 66th General Conference was held at the International Convention Center, Binyaney Ha’ooma in Jerusalem, Israel, 13-18 August 2000, under the theme “Information for Cooperation: Creating the Global Library of the Future”.

It was attended by more than 1800 delegates from 93 countries, 400 of whom were Israeli participants (the latter representing 33% of the library community of the host country). From the USA came 265 delegates, 107 from the Russian Federation, 88 from France and 85 from the UK.
During the period preceding the conference, protest letters had been received from IFLA members and individuals, and representations had been made by representatives of Arab governments. All these were replied to by the *Statement on Jerusalem 2000*, which was issued on behalf of the Executive Board.

The conference was boycotted by professional individuals and organisations from Arab and other Muslim countries (Indonesia, Malaysia, Pakistan). The Arab Federation for Libraries and Information (AFLI) had scheduled its conference in competition: 12-17 August in Cairo, Egypt.

Several possibilities for satellite meetings of the IFLA Conference in Arab cities (Alexandria, Amman, Beirut, Rabat, Ramallah) had been discussed and seriously considered, but none of these plans turned out to be viable options.

**PRIZES AND AWARDS**

Ludmila Kisseleva (Russian Federation) was awarded the Hans-Peter Geh Grant 2000, which is given every year to sponsor one librarian from the former Soviet Union, including the Baltic States, to attend an IFLA Seminar or Conference.

As recipients of the IFLA/OCLC Early Career Development Fellowships (for 2001), the following were selected: Tuba Akbayturk (Turkey), Rashidah Bolhassan (Malaysia) Smita Chandra (India), Ayegbeni Igonor (South Africa).

The *newsletter of the Libraries for the Blind Section* was awarded Best IFLA Newsletter 2000.

**IFLA STAFF AND OFFICES**

Kelly Moore succeeded Charlotta Brynger as IFLA Membership Manager from 1st of March.

In October the managers of IFLA’s 3 Regional Offices – Elizabet Ramos de Carvalho (Rio de Janeiro), Pensri Guaysuwan (Bangkok), Henri Sene (Dakar) – met at IFLA’s Headquarters office in The Hague to meet IFLA/HQ staff and to discuss the many aspects of running the Federation.

Birgitta Bergdahl, Director of the IFLA/ALP Core Activity was granted an early retirement as from August and Birgitta Sandell was appointed as her successor. Peter Borg worked as Administrative Assistant from February to June. Karin Lindblom succeeded him from December.

IFLA/FAIFE Core Activity Director Jan Ristarp retired per 30 September. Carsten Frederiksen was appointed Acting Director.

At the IFLA/PAC Core Activity, Virginie Kremp was appointed Programme Officer in replacement of Ania Zelenskaia in January. The IFLA/PAC office
moved to the new premises of the Bibliothèque nationale de France in Paris Tolbiac in May. From 21-24 August it hosted the international IFLA Symposium *Managing the Preservation of Periodicals and Newspapers*.

Richard Ebdon left the IFLA/UAP office at the British Library in Boston Spa in June.

In October, Karl Guttzeit followed up Stephanie Ratthei as Secretary at the IFLA/UBCIM Core Activity office at Die Deutsche Bibliothek in Frankfurt am Main.

**RELATIONS WITH OTHER BODIES**

**UNESCO: United Nations Education Science and Culture Organization**

IFLA was represented during UNESCO’s 31st General Congress, October/November 1999. During this congress the *IFLA/UNESCO School Library Manifesto* was ratified.

In addition UNESCO endorsed the revisions of the 1977 International Congress on National Bibliographies, which had been proposed by the IFLA International Conference on National Bibliographic Services (Copenhagen, November 1998).

In November 1999 the new Director-General of UNESCO had been appointed, who immediately started a reorganisation process. One of the measures taken was a “freeze” of large parts of UNESCO’s Programme.

There was no political representation of UNESCO during the IFLA General Conference at Jerusalem, only professional.

Despite the temporary stand-still in project support, a number of IFLA projects could be finalised with financial support from UNESCO during the report period. They included:

- The Programme for the Memory of the World
- CD-ROM on the Preventive Conservation of Documentary Heritage
- Conference “Collecting and Safeguarding Oral Traditions”
- Guidelines for Legal Deposit Legislation

**NCLIS: (US) National Commission on Libraries and Information Science**

A number of projects that had been previously proposed for support by UNESCO, were also proposed for funding from NCLIS. During the report period an amount of USD 12,000 was granted by NCLIS for projects in the field of public and school libraries.

**ICA: International Council on Archives**

In December leaders of ICA and IFLA met in The Hague, in order to discuss matters of common interest. These included relations with UNESCO, joint enterprises and possible projects in the fields of preservation and electronic archiving. In addition information was exchanged concerning the operation of both organisations.
ICBS: International Committee for the Blue Shield
IFLA formed this permanent Committee together with the International Council on Archives (ICA), the International Council of Museums (ICOM) and the International Committee for Monuments and Sites (ICOMOS). During the report period three regular meetings were held and a two-day meeting in Strasbourg to design an ICBS Charter. More information is available in the IFLA/PAC Annual Report.

IPA: International Publishers Association
In the course of the year agreement was reached upon the terms of reference and the composition of the IFLA/IPA Steering Group; Ingrid Parent, Claudia Lux, Sandy Norman and Ross Shimmon represented IFLA. The Steering Group met for the first time at IFLA/HQ in The Hague in December. On the agenda were various issues relating to common interests of libraries and publishers at large. The IPA representatives were Herman Spruijt, Lex Lefebvre, Ted Nardin and Benoît Müller.
### IFLA Membership per End 2000

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<td>17</td>
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<td>1.2 National Association Members</td>
<td>137</td>
<td>140</td>
<td>(141)</td>
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<td>2. Institutional Members</td>
<td>1,125</td>
<td>1,094</td>
<td>(1,121)</td>
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<td>3. Personal Affiliates</td>
<td>365</td>
<td>324</td>
<td>(322)</td>
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<td>4. Corporate Partners</td>
<td>36</td>
<td>34</td>
<td>(38)</td>
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<td>5. Bodies with Consultative Status</td>
<td>16</td>
<td>15</td>
<td>(14)</td>
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<td><strong>Total</strong></td>
<td>1,696</td>
<td>1,623</td>
<td>(1,654)</td>
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FINANCIAL SUMMARY


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<td><strong>Income</strong></td>
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<td>Membership fees</td>
<td>1,393,339</td>
<td>1,314,884</td>
<td>(1,272,653)</td>
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<td>Corporate Partners</td>
<td>103,996</td>
<td>121,648</td>
<td>(115,251)</td>
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<td>Dutch government</td>
<td>35,000</td>
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<td>Sales of publications</td>
<td>159,239</td>
<td>87,629</td>
<td>(69,300)</td>
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<td>Share of conference</td>
<td>128,146</td>
<td>102,668</td>
<td>(194,064)</td>
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<td>Interest</td>
<td>43,335</td>
<td>42,765</td>
<td>(52,554)</td>
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<td>2,736</td>
<td>26,192</td>
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<td>1,865,791</td>
<td>1,730,786</td>
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<td><strong>Expenditure</strong></td>
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<td>147,591</td>
<td>135,577</td>
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<td>Professional programmes</td>
<td>211,587</td>
<td>191,539</td>
<td>(234,151)</td>
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<td>Costs of publications</td>
<td>147,705</td>
<td>129,549</td>
<td>(164,711)</td>
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<td>Staff expenses</td>
<td>1,024,592</td>
<td>820,035</td>
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<td>258,499</td>
<td>181,079</td>
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<td>40,000</td>
<td>40,000</td>
<td>(36,000)</td>
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<td>Miscellaneous</td>
<td>11,104</td>
<td>162</td>
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<td><strong>Total Expenditure</strong></td>
<td>1,841,078</td>
<td>1,497,941</td>
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<td><strong>Surplus of income</strong></td>
<td>24,713</td>
<td>232,845</td>
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**Earmarked grants**

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<td>106,270</td>
<td>90,419</td>
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<td><strong>Expenditure</strong></td>
<td>73,491</td>
<td>66,553</td>
<td>(177,785)</td>
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<td><strong>Surplus of income</strong></td>
<td>32,779</td>
<td>23,866</td>
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<td>over expenditure</td>
<td>57,492</td>
<td>256,711</td>
<td>(114,084)</td>
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EXECUTIVE BOARD AND PROFESSIONAL BOARD
AUGUST 1999 – AUGUST 2001

EXECUTIVE BOARD
Christine Deschamps (France), President
Nancy John (USA), First Vice-President
Børge Sørensen (Denmark), Second Vice-President
Derek Law (UK), Treasurer
Claudia Lux (Germany)
Jeronimo Martinez (Spain)
Ingrid Parent (Canada)
Kay Raseroka (Botswana)
Ralph Manning (Canada), ex officio, Chair Professional Board

PROFESSIONAL BOARD
Ralph Manning (Canada), Chair
Winston Tabb (USA), Division of General Research Libraries, and Vice-Chair
Hans-Christoph Hobohm (Germany), Division of Special Libraries
Glenys Willars (UK), Division of Libraries Serving the General Public
Ia McIlwaine (UK), Division of Bibliographic Control
Chris Wright (USA), Division of Collections and Services
Wanda Dole (USA), Division of Management and Technology
Lis Byberg (Norway), Division of Education and Research
Adolfo Rodriguez (Mexico), Division of Regional Activities
The International Federation of Library Associations and Institutions (IFLA) is a worldwide, independent, non-governmental organization. The purposes of the Federation as stated in its Statutes are “to promote high standards of delivery of library and information services; to encourage widespread understanding of the value and importance of high quality library and information services in the private, public and voluntary sectors; and to represent the interests of its Members throughout the world.” The Professional Priorities outlined in this document will provide guidance in the development of IFLA’s professional activities. These priorities are to be incorporated into the professional programmes throughout IFLA’s organizational structure, recognizing especially that the needs, concerns and views of every region of the world are to be taken into account, particularly those in the developing world. Regional concerns, communication and information exchange among IFLA’s members, and the use of electronic technology to facilitate the implementation of its priorities underpin all of these professional priorities.

**Supporting the Role of Libraries in Society**
IFLA supports the establishment and maintenance of libraries by serving as an international advocate to ensure that the vital role of libraries in the digital age is well understood and acted upon. IFLA lobbies on behalf of libraries with government officials and community leaders, using all available avenues to secure appropriate funding and staffing of library services worldwide.

**Defending the Principle of Freedom of Information**
IFLA believes that all people have a fundamental right to create and acquire information and to express their views publicly. The right to know and the freedom to express are two aspects of the same principle.

Libraries play a key role in securing these rights, and IFLA supports this role by defending the ability of libraries to acquire, organise, preserve and make available the widest variety of materials, reflecting plurality and diversity in the society, and thus to protect and enhance democracy and a free debate; by defending the ability of libraries to ensure that selection and availability of material and services are governed by professional principles, not the political, moral or religious views of individuals or governments; and by defending the ability of libraries to make materials and services available to all users, with no discrimination due to race, creed, gender, religion, age or any other subjective reason.

**Promoting Literacy, Reading, and Lifelong Learning**
IFLA’s programmes promote literacy in many aspects, helping libraries worldwide to develop programmes that support increased literacy for all people, including basic literacy (the ability to use, understand and apply print, writing, speech and visual information in order to communicate and interact effectively), reading (the ability to decipher print and other forms of notation, to understand written language and its construction, and to comprehend the meaning of the written word), information literacy (the ability to formulate and analyse an information need; to identify and appraise sources; to locate, retrieve, organise and store information; to interpret, analyse, synthesise and evaluate that information critically; and to evaluate whether the information need has been satisfied) and lifelong learning (providing for the needs of all learners, whether formal or informal, helping to raise the aspirations and achievements of individuals of all ages and abilities).
Providing Unrestricted Access to Information
IFLA seeks to influence political and economic decisions that have an ethical impact on access to information so that all persons throughout the world have the same opportunity to participate in the information society without regard to physical, regional, social, or cultural barriers. Ongoing technological progress seems to widen the gap between the information rich and the information poor world-wide. IFLA supports programmes which provide support for information access in developing regions of the world.

Balancing the Intellectual Property Rights of Authors with the Needs of Users
IFLA assumes a dual responsibility, both to the producers of intellectual property and to libraries as representatives of information users, because safeguarding and providing access to products of the mind are fundamental to the growth of knowledge.

IFLA works to protect the rights of authors and the role of libraries by playing an active role with organisations such as WIPO and UNESCO in the drafting of appropriate treaties and legislative models which recognise the dichotomy between the rights of authors and the needs of users.

IFLA also works to assure that intellectual property rights support the universal availability of information by such activities as encouraging national legislation for legal deposit and assuring the right of libraries to make copies of published documents in a manner consistent with principles of fair use. Safeguarding these rights must involve both the owners of intellectual property and its users. It necessitates working in collaboration with authors, publishers and librarians.

Promoting Resource Sharing
IFLA serves as an international forum and advocate for sharing information in all its forms across national borders. It promotes the communication of bibliographic information which is the basis for all resource sharing, it works to develop cooperative principles for international lending, and it supports a voucher scheme to liberate lending reimbursements from national currencies. IFLA works to encourage the sharing of resources, by supporting traditional lending and document delivery, by promoting the communication and easy exchange of bibliographic information, and by encouraging the development of virtual libraries whose holdings will be accessible without regard to geography or national boundaries.

Preserving Our Intellectual Heritage
Although responsibility for the preservation and conservation of the intellectual heritage in their custody is ultimately the responsibility of individual libraries, IFLA works to promote the establishment of regional, national and international priorities and the application of the best scientific knowledge in the fulfillment of this responsibility. One of IFLA's primary activities is to ensure appropriate coordination at the international level through programmes such as advocacy, training and the development and dissemination of standards and best practices. IFLA also participates in international activities related to disaster preparedness and recovery.

Developing Library Professionals
IFLA works to strengthen the abilities and knowledge of library and information science professionals and paraprofessionals throughout the world in order to improve service to the user. Programmes supported by IFLA encompass all educational processes, including library and information science curricula and continuing education activities such as lectures, seminars, workshops and in-service training.
Promoting Standards, Guidelines, and Best Practices
IFLA actively promotes standards, guidelines and best practices to provide guidance to libraries throughout the world in how to perform core functions well, and in many cases how to perform them in the same manner. The latter is particularly important in areas such as electronic communications where conformity with clear, established and widely accepted and understood standards is indispensable for the exchange of information in cost-effective ways.

Supporting the Infrastructure of Library Associations
IFLA supports the infrastructure of library associations, especially in countries and regions where these are poorly developed, because they provide the essential means for accomplishing IFLA’s goals at the national level. Library associations provide many valuable services to librarians. They work to develop effective library programmes and services that meet the needs of library users and advance societal objectives and interests, ensuring public access to information, and preserving and protecting cultural resources.

Representing Libraries in the Technological Marketplace
IFLA serves as an international advocate for libraries and their users, seeking to influence the development of technology in the world marketplace, especially technology that controls the flow and availability of information. IFLA represents both the sophisticated interests of high-tech libraries and the practical concerns of more traditional users. It negotiates on behalf of libraries (and for the benefit of library users) in discussions on international trade and telecommunications, and it also works to encourage the development of affordable technologies that will bring information to all the populations of the world.

[Approved by IFLA's Professional Board, December 2000]
IFLA Publications (series)


IFLA Professional Reports (series)


Guidelines for Libraries Serving Hospital Patients and the Elderly and Disabled in Long-Term Care Facilities. Compiled by a working group chaired by Nancy Mary Panella under the auspices of the Section of Libraries Serving Disadvantaged Persons (2000) (No. 61)


уководство для библиотек, обслуживающих пациентов больниц, пожилых людей, людей с физическими и психическими недостатками в учреждениях с длительным уходом. (Russian translation of Professional Report No. 61). Compiled by a working group chaired by Nancy Mary Panella under the auspices of the Section of Libraries Serving Disadvantaged Persons (2000) (No. 67)

IFLA Advancement of Librarianship (ALP) Core Activity

Proceedings of the Regional meeting on UNESCO Public Library Manifesto held in Bahia, Brazil, 24-27 March 1998 (No. 16) Under preparation

Proceedings of the Workshop on Networking for Effective Libraries and Information Services held in Colombo, Sri Lanka, 17-23 October 1999 (No. 17)
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