

## Minutes IT Section Standing Committee Meeting

August 13, 09:45-12:15, Windows Room

<b>Chair:</b>	May Chang (acting in absence of Lars Svensson)
<b>Secretary:</b>	May Chang
<b>Information Coordinator:</b>	Astrid Verheusen & Maria Kadesjö
<b>Absent with apologies:</b>	Lars Svensson, Kazua Takehana, Hasna Askhita, Ntbbabiseng Kotsokoane, Alvaro Sandoval, Edmund Balnaves, Almudena Caballos Villar

### Attendants (\* indicates SC member)

May Chang (USA, Secretary) \*  
Shawky Salem (Egypt) \*  
Patrick Danowski (Austria)  
Wouter Klapwijk (South Africa) – Convenor Big Data SIG  
Chu Ming Li (China)  
Evviva Weinraub (USA) \*  
Andrew Pace (OCLC)  
Emmanuelle Bermès (France) – Convenor Semantic Web SIG  
Juanita Lanaux (USA)  
You-Kyoung Lee (USA)  
Pedro Urra (Cuba)  
Astrid Verheusen (The Netherlands) \*  
Maria Kadesjö (Sweden) \*  
Lee Hwaeun (Korea)  
Savuth Som (Cambodia)

### 1. Welcome

Chang opened the meeting and welcomed the attendants. Newcomers are encouraged to ask questions when things are unclear. Chang pointed out that this year is a nomination year and IFLA HQ should be sending out the information to all members in October 2016. Elections will take place in WLIC2017.

### 2. Approval of the Agenda

The attendants approved the agenda without amendments.

### 3. Standing Committee membership matters

- Astrid Verheusen will replace Emmanuelle Bermès as Convenor of the Semantic Web SIG.
- Maria Kadesjö will replace Astrid Verheusen as Information Coordinator.
- One member has been absent for two consecutive years. This will be followed up by Chang.

### 4. Announcements and report from the Professional Committee

The Professional Committees Officers' Forum was held this morning. The new Secretary General, Gerald Leitner, presented a worldwide global vision in which IFLA intends to work more with its membership and officers (a more bottom up approach). There are also plans for a world library map of all libraries in the world (both IFLA and non-IFLA) and for a membership survey to understand what member's value in IFLA.

The SC discussed ways to further help these plans. The SC can for example support the world library map project with technical implementation and the data model.

A new version of the IFLA trend report will be presented Monday, August 15<sup>th</sup>: <http://trends.ifla.org/>

## **5. Action Plan**

- a. The Annual Report summary has been published on the IT website which included a table with the action plan for this year. The action items have been updated (attached) and the next AR will be drafted after WLIC2016 for SC review.
- b. The IT Section skills register is now with IFLA HQ. Chang will follow up with SC members later in the year to update the register for WLIC2017.
- c. The Standing Committee needs more active participation in relation to planning of activities and communication. This will be discussed further at the SC II meeting.
- d. The next action plan will be discussed at the SC II meeting.
- e. We need more active participation from members. The website is outdated and needs attention.

## **6. SIG reports**

### **a. Semantic Web SIG (*Emmanuelle Bermès*)**

Bermès delivered a 4-year report to PC in 2015 about the objectives and results of the SIG and the recommendation to continue for another 4 years has been approved. The name of the SIG was changed in August 2016 to Linked Data Special Interest Group (LIDASIG). This name change shows the relationship with the Linked Data Technical working group (LIDATEC) which is a standards sub-committee whereas LIDASIG is an open group for creating awareness about linked data.

LIDASIG will have an open session on Wednesday, 16 Aug.

### **b. Big Data SIG (*Wouter Klapwijk*)**

The proposal to establish this SIG came up in Lyon, an exploratory meeting was held in Cape Town, and the SIG was approved in December 2015. Some of the issues raised in Cape Town include tools and case studies, skills development, and managing big data as such. The business meeting on Wednesday, August 16th should give more direction about how to move forward.

## **7. WLIC satellite meetings 2016**

- a. "Data in Libraries: the Big Picture", 10 Aug, Chicago, IL (*Emmanuelle Bermès, Wouter Klapwijk*)  
This joint meeting (ITS, ARL, SW SIG, Big Data SIG) was very successful. Although the presentations were diverse, in the end the 'big picture' was clearly visible.
- b. "Women and Library Technology: Empowering women's participation in open technology and culture", 11 Aug, Chicago, IL (*Evviva Weinraub*)  
This meeting too was very successful. The meeting was organized as an open dialogue and in order for everyone to feel comfortable sharing their experience no twittering or photographing was allowed. There was a big request to have a similar session next year. The SC discussed the possibilities for this or a different type of meeting on a similar topic.

## **8. WLIC sessions 2016**

The IT's own session ("Skills and Knowledge for Citizens in Open Data and Technology Environments", Tuesday, 16 Aug, 11:45-13:45, C213-215) unfortunately faced cancellations from two speakers. It is important we all join the session and try to stimulate discussion.

With the large number of presentations at WLIC and the potential for networking, the IT Section SC members have many opportunities to look out for opportunities for collaboration.

## 9. WLIC satellite meetings and sessions for 2017

The Standing Committee discussed ideas for possible meetings, satellites and possibilities for co-operation in 2017:

- Joint satellite with RISS on experiences with discovery systems
- Internet archiving (in co-operation with the International Internet Preservation Consortium)
- National Libraries, cataloguing, bibliographies
- Data interoperability, user interaction with information
- Women and IT

These will be discussed and finalized at the SC II meeting.

## 10 Items to raise or report to the Professional Committee

The remaining time was spent discussing the worksheet "What makes a dynamic IFLA Professional Unit?". This exercise will be finished by email so it can be submitted to the PC meeting on Wednesday, August 17<sup>th</sup>, 13:45.

## 11. Any other business

There was no other business.

## 12. Next meeting of the Standing Committee

The next meeting will take place on Thursday, 18 Augustus, 11:30-13:00, room C216.  
The SC I meeting ended at 12:15.

## Minutes IT Section Standing Committee Meeting II

Thursday, 18 Aug 2016, 11.30-13.00, C216

**Chair:** May Chang (acting in absence of Lars Svensson)

**Secretary:** May Chang

**Information Coordinator:** Maria Kadesjö

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Shawky Salem (Egypt) \*

Patrick Danowski (Austria)

Almudena Caballos (Spain)

Evva Weinraub (USA) \*

Heike da Silva Cardoso (Germany)

Joan Wee (Singapore) – New Professionals SIG

Susan Musser (US) – New Professionals SIG

Christina Rodrigues (US) – New Professionals SIG

Howayda Kamel (Egypt)

Zilvinus Beliauskas (Lithuania)

Omobilade Adeagbo (Nigeria)

Alisson Castro (Brazil)

Clément Oury (France)

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## **2. Approval of the Agenda**

The attendants approved the agenda without amendments.

## **3. Approval of the Minutes of the SC I meeting.**

The attendants approved the minutes with the note that the IFLA trend report is confirmed as being published.

## **4. Standing Committee membership matters**

- a. Almudena Caballos Villar has agreed to be the Information Coordinator for the Big Data SIG.
- b. Evviva Weinraub has agreed to be the Information Coordinator for LIDASIG.
- c. Building organizational support.  
Chang has worked on building support for officers in the IT Section and SIGs. The information Coordinators and new professionals for the SIGs is an example of this work.

## **5. WLIC sessions 2016**

The IT Section was involved in 11 sessions at this year's conference: 2 satellites, 7 sessions, 1 post conference session (also see minutes from SC 1 for reports)

- a. "Skills and Knowledge for Citizens in Open Data and Technology Environments", Kadesjö reported from the session that took place at 11.45 in the room C213-215. We received ten papers and accepted five for presentation. Unfortunately three out of five presenters had to excuse themselves due to lack of sponsorship. Because of this we extended the time for both presenters; Trevor Watkins and Marshall Breeding. Some 60 persons attended the session (more details in the in the annual report).
- b. Linked Data SIG business meetings and open session.  
Weinraub reported that it was an interesting discussion in different groups. Verheusen led a discussion on the value of the SIG - is the purpose that everyone knows about the question or should it do some actual work. The discussion concluded that the SIG is more supposed to reach out to people and inform rather than work on something specific.
- c. Big Data SIG business meetings and open session.  
The SIG is working in finding its focus and might be divided into two different groups. Klapwijk will report further in the annual report. Susan Musser from the NPSIG will be working with Klapwijk and Caballaros.

## **6. WLIC satellite meetings and sessions for 2017 (19-25 Aug 2017, Wroclaw, Poland)**

- a. Joint satellite meeting with Reference & Information Services Section (RISS), 16-17 Aug, Warsaw, Poland:  
Theme: "Innovation and the User Experience: Evaluating and Implementing Discovery Systems".  
Leads: Christine Brown (RISS) and May Chang (ITS). ITS members to review papers: Edmund Balnaves, Heike da Silva Cardoso.

- b. Joint satellite meeting with Genealogy and Local History Section (GLHS), Vilnius, Lithuania, 16-17 Aug:  
Tentative theme "Multi-ethnicity, digital preservation, technology".  
Leads: Bozena Rasmussen (GLHS), May Chang (ITS). ITS members to review papers: Maria Kadesjö.
- c. Joint main session with GLHS (offsite whole day), Wroclaw, Poland:  
Tentative theme "Local collections, digital preservation, technology".  
Leads: Bozena Rasmussen (GLHS), Almudena Caballos (ITS). ITS members to help review papers: Maria Kadesjö.
- d. Joint main session with Division III and NPSIG:  
Tentative theme "IT in libraries: collaborations and collisions".  
Leads: May Chang (ITS), María Violeta Bertolini (NPSIG Convener), (Div III). The target audience is Div III sections/professional units, based on discussions at the Div III leadership meeting on Aug 14.  
Volunteers: Susan Musser, Omobolade Adeagbo
- e. Joint session with Library Theory and Research Section (LTRS), Warsaw, Poland  
Theme: "Data, curators, roles and responsibility"  
Leads: Anna Maria Tamaro/Krystyna Matusiak (LTR), Evviva Weinraub (ITS).
- f. Data interoperability, user interaction with information  
Tentative – waiting to hear back from Cataloguing Section (Clement Oury)
- g. Joint main session Women and IT  
Tentative theme: Women, Open Technology, and Culture  
Leads: Evviva Weinraub (ITS)
- h. Shawky Salem's proposal on "Future of the Profession"  
Parts of this can be folded into suggestion d: "IT in libraries: collaborations and collisions"

## 7. **WLIC satellite meetings and sessions for 2018**

Initial proposal forms for satellite conferences to be submitted by end March 2017. Some proposals:

- a. (Joint) satellite – Big Data SIG?
- b. Joint satellite on "IT in genealogy and local history" – proposed at conversation with some GLHS SC members.
- c. Joint session on "Internet of Things, smart libraries" – proposed at conversation with Oceania region.

## 8. **Discussions**

- a. Communication plan  
Kadesjö informed that Joan Wee, NPSIG, will be assisting with Information Coordinator responsibilities and they will update the webpage and draft a communication plan for review.
- b. Action plan (May Chang/Maria Kadesjö) – this will be drafted and send to SC members for review.

## 9. **Any other business**

There was no other business.

The meeting ended at 13:00.