Dear Mrs Jollette Russell  
LIAJA - The Jamaica Library Association

For this year 2017, the IFLA Standing Committee for Latin America and the Caribbean (IFLA LAC) is conducting the project "Mapping of Latin American and Caribbean Libraries Initiatives in Support of the National Development Plan - Agenda 2030", which aims at identifying and recording projects and initiatives that LAC libraries are developing in their countries of origin to demonstrate how they are contributing to the achievement of the objectives (ODS) and satisfaction of local development needs.

We are inviting all librarian associations or colleges from every Latin American and Caribbean country to participate in this project that aims to integrate all of our region as we did in 2016. We would be very pleased if your institution plays an active role in this project, assuming the task of analyzing the situation in your country, compiling examples together with national, public, academic and specialized libraries and updating the "Directory of Latin American and Caribbean libraries activities in support of the National Development Plan - Agenda 2030" that we are building in IFLA LAC.

The proposal has four phases:

1. Plan and develop a strategy to inform all the professionals in your country, acting on projects related to the ODS, on this project and motivate them to send information to our Directory.

2. Collect data about projects being developed in your country (by any type of library) and ensure that they are fed into the platform developed by IFLA LAC specifically for your institution (a Gmail email is required for Operate the platform). The data feed can be in two ways:
   2.1 Your Association may choose a team of individuals to identify, collect and record project data on the platform developed by IFLA LAC.
   2.2 Or your Association may include information on the respective platform developed by IFLA in your project dissemination strategy, and ask the professionals to fill out the form by themselves. But, you continue with the role of curator of content. Therefore, before sending the data to IFLA LAC, you must make the final data review, completing or deleting information.

3. All associations or colleges participating in this project are also invited to present the results of their analysis and data collection at our WLIC 2017 Latin America and Caribbean Session in Poland. The title of the 2017 LAC Open Section is: "Access and opportunity for all: how libraries in Latin America and the Caribbean contribute to the UN Agenda 2030". Therefore, until May 10, 2017, everyone should submit a paper with an analysis of the National Development Plan (ODS Agenda 2030) and a mapping of the projects included in the platform. This paper must be send to: iflalac.chair@gmail.com; Samaya@ufg.edu.sv; Mbellas@bnjm.cu. The preparation rules of this article must follow the rules of WLIC 2017.

4. In addition, in IFLA LAC Standing Committee, we will have an Evaluation Team to analyse all the projects registered in our platforms with the purpose of choosing the three most interesting, relevant or unusual. The authors or coordinators of these three selected projects will be invited to represent our region in the Open Session that Regional Division V (Africa, Asia and Oceania and Latin America and the Caribbean) will also be promoting during WLIC 2017 in Poland. Then, they will present their project.

As with the 2016 project, we at IFLA LAC intend to publish an IFLA booklet "ACCESS AND OPPORTUNITY FOR ALL: how LAC libraries contribute to the United Nations 2030 Agenda" in Ebook format.

Finally, we inform you that the Technical Team of the Integrated LAC Project is at your disposal to help with any questions you may have regarding our research, especially the librarian Elis Gabriela (elisgabriela@gmail.com) who is responsible for the creation of the platform. Likewise, the Organizing Committee of the Latin American
and Caribbean Session at the IFLA World Congress 2017 is at your disposal to help with any questions you have about the article and your participation in the Congress, especially Sonia Amaya León from El Salvador (samaya@ufg.edu.sv) and Margarita Bellas from Cuba (mbellas@bnjm.cu).

Please contact us if you have any questions or concerns. To confirm YES or NOT participate in the project, please use the ATTACHMENT A. For those who answer us until January 15, then we will upload the respective platform and send instructions for use thereof until January 20, 2017.

We hope that you and your association can accept this invitation. It will be a great pleasure to develop this project in alliance with all of you.

Best regard,

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STATEMENT OF INTENT

INTEGRATED PROJECT IFLA LAC 2017 - "Mapping of Latin American and Caribbean Libraries Initiatives in Support of the National Development Plan - Agenda 2030"

( ) YES, we will participate  ( ) NO we will not participate

Institution:
Email:
Country:
President / Director
Email:

If you answered YES, please provide information about the Work Team (include all the names of your team):

Name:
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Institution:

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Institution:

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Email:
Institution:

(PLEASE: Indicate who is the coordinator of the group. The coordinator must use GMAIL mail to access the platform on GOOGLE DRIVE)

COUNTRY, DAY, MONTH, YEAR

SIGNATURE AND FULL NAME
ANNEX B - ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

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IMPORTANT DATES
- 15 ENERO 2017 - deliver the document in ANNEX A - Statement of Intent (PARTICIPANTES)
- 20 ENERO 2017 - deliver the platform access to your institution. (IFLA LAC)
- 10 MAYO 2017 - send the final texts to iflalac.chair@gmail.com (PARTICIPANTES)
- 30 MAYO 2017 - authors will be notified of any changes needed in the article. (IFLA LAC)
- 15 JUNIO 2017 - delivery of the finished text to the website de WLIC 2017. (PARTICIPANTES)

The final text to be presented during the IFLA LAC Session in WLIC 2017 must:
- Be sent to iflalac.chair@gmail.com no later than May 10, 2017
- Must be between 2000 to 5000 words.
- Must be written in one of the official languages of IFLA (preferably English, French, German or Spanish).
- Each participant will have 7 minutes to present the work during the IFLA LAC Session in WLIC 2017
- All the texts will be available on the WLIC 2017 website and the IFLA Library under a Creative Commons Attribution 4.0 licence
- All authors of the approved works must complete the IFLA form Authors’ Permission Form to be sent after May 30.
- The instructions to prepare the final text must be followed to the letter, as the texts will be published in the Congress Proceedings. These norms will be published in the month of March in http://2017.ifla.org/programme/congress-outline
- All expenses, including the registration in the WLIC 216 Conference, accommodation, plane tickets, etc., are to be covered by the authors/presenters, We do not provide economic support, but we can send special invitation letters to each author located at: invitation letter

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