## Action plan 2018 - 2019

## Name of Professional Unit: LAW LIBRARIES SECTION Objectives of Professional Unit 2018-19:

- 1. Continue the Promotion on the Statement on Government Provision of Public Legal Information in the Digital Age
  - a. Strategic Direction 1 : Libraries in Society Promoting IFLA standards We will create a communication / marketing plan.
- 2. Promote Open Access to Legal Knowledge in India
  - a. Strategic Direction 2 : Information and Knowledge We will develop a framework to promote the skills that citizens require to flourish in an open data environment

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- 4. Organise programming for WLIC 2019 in Athens, Greece
  - a. Strategic Direction 2 : Information and Knowledge
- 5. Organize a Law Libraries Section Strategic Planning Meeting Day for current and incoming SC members.
  - a. Strategic Direction 4 : Capacity Building Enhanced regional presence

- 6. Collaborate with other international library associations on development of policies and educational projects
  - a. Strategic Direction 2 : Information and Knowledge We will collaborate with other Sections and organisations on educational projects.
- 7. Increase networking of law librarian community attending IFLA.
  - a. Strategic Direction 4 : Capacity Building Organise Law Libraries Section reception for WLIC 2018 in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia
- 8. Increase communication with Law Libraries Section membership.
  - a. Capacity Building Enhanced regional presence
- 9. Fully demonstrate return on investment and impact of the workshops in Croatia and Africa.
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Objectives What do you want to achieve? Use your list above		Project or activity What project or activity are you going to do?	Main tasks What are the specific things you need to do?	Responsibilities and timeline Who will do them and by when?	Resources Do you need specific skills, money or technology?	Communications How will you communicate your achievements? To whom? By when?	Measures of success How will you show the impact of your work?	Progress Report here the progress of your work, at least every month
1.	Continue the promotion of the Statement on Government Provision of Public Legal Information in the Digital Age	Review communication / marketing plan. Work with IFLA and seek advice. Identify other organization		Sally Holterhoff Marisol Florin	No.	Various Governments and organizations		
2.	Promote Open Access to Legal Knowledge in India.	Hold workshop in India.	Write up project proposal for IFLA funding. Organise program and venue.	Sonia Poulin Other SC members Mark Engsberg (IALL) Others (local)	Funding is required. Collaboration from another organisation would be helpful.	Report on the outcome of the workshop and next steps will be available on our website and distributed to attendees and IFLA. Post workshop	Satisfaction rate of survey and other feedback based on targets.	

						survey feedback available at the session and online through our website.	
3.	Explore opportunity to organize and deliver a workshop to the law librarian community in Tbilisi, Georgia.	Organize program.	Deliver the workshop	Sonia Poulin Heather Casey One individual from the Association	Funding is not required. The Georgian- Norwegian Rule of Law Association would cover all costs.	Report the number of attendees and general comments at SC meeting. Post conference session feedback survey available at the session and online through our website. Other requirements set by the Georgian- Norwegian Rule of Law Association	Number of attendees compared to previous years. Satisfaction rate of survey and other feedback.
4.	Organise programming for WLIC 2019 in Athens.	Deliver two sessions.	Produce programme; collaborate with other Sections; Locate speakers; Call for papers;	Carol Hinchcliff Yolanda Jones Sally Holterhoff Mark Engsberg Marisol Floren	No.	Report the number of attendees and general comments at SC meeting.	Number of attendees compared to previous years. Satisfaction

			Review papers			Post conference session feedback survey available at the session and online through our website.	rate of survey and other feedback.
5.	Organize a Law Libraries Section Strategic Planning Meeting Day for current and incoming SC members.	Facilitate a Strategic Planning Session.	Plan and organize the Session.	Sonia Poulin Anne Burnett Heather Casey	No. (We are looking for a host in Athens or another country within 2-3 hours of Greece)	Report outcome to members and IFLA.	Deliver an Action Plan (projects / initiatives we want to accomplish) for the next 2- years that will help us increase membership and recruit SC members and other volunteers.
6.	Collaborate with other international library associations on development of policies and educational projects.	Write formal letter inviting collaboration. Organise Skype session for discussion to ascertain areas for collaboration		Sonia Poulin Other SC Members	No.	Communicate collaborative projects to IFLA and other associations.	Demonstrate how project outcomes were achieved by collaboration.

7.	Increase networking amongst law librarian community attending IFLA.	Organise Law Libraries Section reception for WLIC 2018 in Athens.	Find location; Find sponsor; Find speaker for reception or other activity; Send invitation.	Heather Casey Marisol Floren Carol Hinchcliff Others (local)	No.	SC members, law library community, government and parliamentary librarians attendees will be invited.	Number of attendees.
8.	Increase communicati on with Law Libraries Section membership.	Create communication through various channels.	Recruit SC volunteers to write communication and obtain news / stories.	Heather Casey Other SC members	No.	Law Libraries Section members will be informed.	Increase in communication and communication channels.
9.	Fully demonstrate return on investment and impact of the workshops in Croatia and Africa.	Create a comprehensive list of activities and initiatives created by the Croatian and African law library communities post-workshops held in Croatia and Africa in 2014-16-17-18.	Contact previous participants. Create surveys to collection the information.	Sonia Poulin Michel Fraysse Edita Bacic	No.	Report to IFLA, IALL and other external funders. We will utilize information to create powerful storytelling to demonstrate impact of collaboration, empower others and recruit members and volunteers.	Communicate the information gathered through various channels.

# **Resource requirements**

Project or activity and Main task <i>Use your list above</i>	
Promote Open Access to Legal Knowledge in India.	
Resources Do you need specific skills, money or technology? For what do you need resources in relation to this task? Match your needs again the resources listed below*	In order to deliver this project, we require financial support from IFLA. The money will be allocated to food and beverage during the two-day workshop, any printing costs related to marketing and materials required for the workshop and to financially support participants to travel to the location (transportation and hotel).
Delow	Participants in need of funding to travel to the location will be required to fill out a form and confirm employers' support regarding their participation at the workshop.
	Because we will seek to secure external funding, we may be able to assist speakers with a small portion of their transportation to the location.
	We do not anticipate any costs related to post workshop publications.
Amount of funding. How much money would you like to request from Professional Committee Funds? Explain your rationale for the estimated amount in each case.	5,000 Euros Based on previous years, we require approximately 9,000 to 10,000 Euros to deliver the workshop, including bursaries for participants. The remaining required funds will be obtained from external sources through fundraising. It is possible to deliver the project with less funding but we would not be able to provide travel bursaries to participants.
Timing. When would the money need reimbursement?	In the calendar year of 2019. We have a local law librarian located in New Delhi assisting with the planning.

Usually reimbursements are made on production of invoices following completion of the work, however, pre-payment can be arranged in some circumstances

We have received much interest from the law librarian community in delivering workshop in their regions, including two requests from India (New Delhi and Gujarat State). The workshops have proven to be successful in terms of impact and return on investment. We have been able to create regional networks of law librarians, increasing collaboration, and empowering the law librarian community in developing initiatives. In terms of outcome, we have seen proposals to create a network of legal information centres in the Ivory Coast and the creation of a law library association for Africa. In addition, with our help, several former workshop participants have been successful in obtaining bursaries to attend various international organizations' conferences. We feel strongly that the delivery of these workshops has increased communication, collaboration, networking and many ways, created a regional law library movement!

We have heard loud and clear how much participants have appreciated IFLA organizing a workshop *for them* in *their region*. Many will never have the opportunity to attend an IFLA conference, let alone any type of conferences. They have appreciated the format, the presentations, discussions and knowledge gained at the workshops that was targeted for them.

At the request of the India law librarian community, the IFLA Law Libraries Section would like to build on the success of the much publicized Open Access to legal knowledge workshop that has been held in Africa in 2016 and 2017 (workshop in 2018 to be held on December 3-4 in Dakar, Sénégal). There is a need to promote communication, collaboration, fundraising and library advocacy practice in this region and create partnerships trough a regional law library association, thus increasing regional capacity and leadership. The project aligns very well with the following Strategic Goals from IFLA:

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The intended outcomes and impact of the workshop are the following:

- 1. Access to legal information on the regional basis through databases, repositories, digital publications etc.
- 2. Support and encourage the development of national and regional legal information policies and intellectual freedom.
- 3. Support and promote educational and professional opportunities for legal information professionals.
- 4. Promote interests of law libraries, legal collections, information services and users.

The International Association of Law Libraries (IALL) has agreed to consider collaboration with IFLA Law Libraries Section in delivering the workshop. Once we receive a response from IFLA, we will approach the IALL Board to discuss the proposal and the extent of their collaboration and financial support. Other law library associations have expressed an interest in collaborating on future workshops delivered in English.