

IFLA Section Libraries for Children and Young Adults Annual Report 2011

The Section

- Membership

Membership status August 2011: 101 members

- SC members:

Elections in 2011 : a new full committee, with 22 members

- Officers (elections in San Juan)

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- Meetings

Midyear meeting Aalborg, March 18 and 19, 2011: 7 persons attended (6 SC members, 1 future member, from Finland)

SC meetings San Juan, August 2011 (two regular meetings): 16 members; 17 observers

Projects and activities

1 Guidelines for Children's Library Services : Published in December 2003 (English), available in numerous languages on IFLAnet. New translation into Turkish.

Guidelines Library Services to babies and toddlers and their families : Published in 2007, available in several languages and in printed format and on IFLAnet. New translation into Korean.

Revised Guidelines for Library Services for Young Adults Revised version published in 2008. Available in several languages. New translation into German.

2 Project database Reading promotion

In December 2010 adjustments (new flags) were made on IFLA database Success stories, for the Section to include reading promotion programmes for children and young adults (Literacy and Reading section being responsible for programmes for adults). But IFLA Success Stories programme is stopped and no additions to the database could be made.

3 Project Sister Libraries for Children's and Young Adult's reading

It was launched in November 2009, cf www.ifla.org/en/libraries-for-children-and-ya/projects, in English, Spanish, French and Arabic; German was added later. It was approved as an IFLA project for 2010-2011, cf Project Report 2011, S 3.1-2/10 :

27 more libraries have registered, from all continents (117 in all, their forms are on line on <http://www.ifla.org/en/node/1752>). The blog <http://sisterlibraries.wordpress.com> has been active. A "godmother system" by SC members has been working to increase contact between the SC and registered libraries, coordinated by Annie Everall. A programme has been devised to suggest to sister libraries, based on the picture book *My favourite book*, purchased (120 copies) in three languages to be sent to participating libraries. A session was held on the project at San Juan conference. Articles were published in professional periodicals in the UK, France and Germany, and in the section's Newsletter. A bookmark and a roll-up banner were

designed and published, and a new brochure. The number of registered libraries shows that the Project is of great interest to children's librarians all over the world, and the blog shows the great work sister libraries are doing. Evaluation was started, by Carolynn Rankin (Leeds University, UK). A request for funding for a third and last year was approved by IFLA.

4 The World through Picture Books programme

This new section's programme was launched through different channels including IFLA site (<http://www.ifla.org/en/node/6718>) : librarians choose their favourite books published in their country. Annie Overall coordinates the programme. It made great progress during the year (first results to be published in 2012). Funds were asked IFLA for this new project but were not allocated. The programme is developed in partnership with section Literacy and Reading and with IBBY.

5. ALMA (Astrid Lindgren Memorial Award)

The Section takes part in the nomination process, by nominating outstanding reading promotion projects/persons. Lubuto project (US-Zambia), IBBY International and Planete des Jeunes were nominated by the section for the 2011 election.

6. Partnerships

ICDL

The partnership with ICDL (International Children's Digital Library) has not been active this year. Links between both organizations are on the websites, as is the *Agreement on Partnership Between IFLA Libraries for Children and Young Adults Section and ICDL*.

IRA, IBBY, IFLA

The *Memorandum of Understanding* agreed by IFLA, IRA and IBBY presidents is published on Iflanet.

IBBY EC member Linda Pavonetti attended San Juan conference and participated in SC meetings. IBBY national sections are partners in The World through Picture Books programme.

7 Publications

- SCL Newsletter - two issues – editor Ian Yap (Singapore)
- Section's leaflet (annual update, 4 languages))
- News on IFLA site, Sections mailing list

8 Conference Programme San Juan

- Open Session on Sister Libraries: 75 attendees
- Open Session "Can we keep up with the changes?" 90 attendees
- Off-site session on children's books and libraries in Puerto Rico : 45 attendees (full capacity of the room; papers online)

9 Collaboration with FAIFE

It started at the end of the year, for the publication of Guidelines on Social Media and Privacy

Viviana Quiñones, Chair, December 2011