WLIC Gothenburg
Minutes of SC 1&2 Meetings IFLA / LPD August 2010
Tuesday 10 Aug: 8:30 – 11:30 SC 1 (room F4)
Saturday 14 Aug: 8:00 – 9:30 SC 2 (room G2)

Attendees:
(1) Marja-Leena Ahola-vom Dorp TPB, Sweden
(1)(2) Jenny Craven (fin & info officer) BT Internet, UK
(1)(2) David Fernández-Barcias NLS for the Blind and Physically Handicapped
(1) Sanja Frajtag Croatian Library for the Blind, Zagreb
(1)(2) Jon Hardisty RNIB, Manchester UK
(1)(2) Francois Hendrikz South African library for the Blind, Grahamstown
(1)(2) Hiroshi Kawamura Nippon Lighthouse Information Centre
(1)(2) Koen Krikhaar (secretary) Dedicon, Netherlands
(1)(2) Kari Kummeneje Norway Library for the Blind, oslo
(1) Margaret McGrory CNIB, Toronto Canada
(1)(2) Misako Nomura JSRPD, Japan
(1)(2) Julie Rae (chair) Vision Australia, Melbourne Australia
(1)(2) Geert Ruebens Luisterpunt, Brussels
(1)(2) Elena Zakharova Russian State Library for the Blind
(1)(2) Minna von Zansen (info officer) Celia Library, Helsinki

Observers
(1) Helle Mortensen Lyngby Public Library, section LSN
(1) Tone Moseid Norwegian National Library, LSN section
(1)(2) Bitte Kronkvist TPB, Sweden
(1) Francisco Martines ONCE, Spain
(1) Maria de Cléofas Faggion Alencar Brazilian Agricultural Research Corporation (Empraba)
(1) Katherine Howard Royal Society for the Blind, South Australia
(1) Carmen Rosa Estrade National Library of Dominican Republic

Special Advisors
(1) Winston Tabb CLM Section
(2) Sebastian Mundt Statistics and Evaluation Section

Apologees:
Bente Dahl Rathje Nota, Kopenhagen
Sanela Osmanagic Bosnia
Keun Hae Youk Korean Braille Library
Thomas Kahlisch DZB, Leipzig, Germany
Galina Elfimova Russian Federation

Absent:
Ju Ok Park Korea

1. Opening
   a. Welcome Word from Chair: Julie opens meeting and welcomes everybody.
   b. David Fernández-Barcias is a newcomer to the SC, replacing Steve Prine.
   c. Apologies: see above.
   d. Nobody objects that Koen will make the minutes.
2. **Acceptance of agenda**
   It was agreed that agenda items be dealt out of order according to priorities for the meeting. Instead of a pick nick: Please send info on your organisation that you want to share to Koen before October. He will distribute a summary.

3. **Minutes SC meetings Helsinki, 28-29 Jan 2010**
   a. The minutes were accepted without changes.
   b. Unless they are itemised as points on the agenda, all but 2 actions are completed. Being: the annual report to IFLA and the action list following from our strategic plan. (Julie will follow up)

4. **Midyear statement from our financial officer**
   Jenny states that from our annual budget of €325, a sum of €70,56 is spent on the making of the poster, leaving €254,44 as a balance. This is allocated as supporting monies for the upcoming trip to Warsaw (to be discussed later).
   From the project fund of €6100 (performance measure) a total of €4848, is spent. Jon will ask Helen to provide a breakdown of this amount. The financial report is accepted.

**Information from IFLA’s Governing Board (GB)**
Julie and Koen convey information from the Governing Board (GB) to the SC members: GB has developed and approved IFLA Strategic Plan for 2010-2015. Next to a Vision, Mission and a listing of the Core Values, the overall Strategic Plan sets out 4 Strategic Directions for IFLA and its professional bodies:
* Empowering libraries to provide equitable information to its users.
* Building the strategic capacity of IFLA
* Transforming the profile and standing of the profession
* Representing the interest of IFLA’s members throughout the world

From this 6 year plan each 2 year there will be formulated IFLA’s Priority Activities, with input from the sections and other professional bodies such as SIG’s. This year (Aug 2010 – Aug 2011) is considered to be a transitional year. The full 2 year cycle will become operative from Aug 2011 on. For the year 2010-2011 the Priority Activities are already formulated. They can be found on the IFLA website.

The GB asks of all the members of the section to read IFLA’s Strategic Plan and the Priority Activities for 2010-2011 and identify from their own strategic plan up to three actions + measurable outcome that can be linked to IFLA’s priority activities. We are asked to send this to IFLA’s Prof Programmes Director before 15 October 2010.

The GB also discussed a new set of guidelines for organising satellite meetings. They are criticised for making it hard on the developing regions to set one up, as is the case in Puerto Rico.

GB also works on a document clarifying the roles and responsibilities for the members and officers in the standing committee. In October voting and elections papers will be circulated from IFLA HQ.

The GB has suggested setting up a working group for the implementation of the P3 Resolution that was adopted by the General Assembly in Milan. Julie is in contact with the GB to find a better way to implement the resolution.

The conference program now has tracks identifiable from the colours in the program. GB asks for feedback on this.
The conference will work with a seven year cycle representing the 7 regions of the world where the WLIC will be held. Starting after Helsinki 2012. The cycle is to be announced. LPD will now align its own goals to those of the IFLA strategic plan.

5. Planning midyear 2011
The SC gratefully accepts Misako’s invitation to hold the next SC midyear meeting in Osaka Japan. The venue will be provided by Librarians of Japan Foundations (?). They can also offer a reduced price in room rate around € 30,- a night. A four day program is suggested, 2 days for the SC meeting, 1 day for a seminar and 1 day for tours in Osaka and Kyoto. Dates still to be confirmed, but most likely from Monday 7 – Thurs 10 of Febr 2011. Coming year a public discussion will be held in Japan on the next generation of publishing. The acceptance of a new copyright law in Japan, and the emergence of fully developed e-pub standard will also drive the daisy standard forward. This opens up new opportunities for governmental funding for standard development in Japan.

The SC also received an invitation from Iceland to host a midyear meeting. This might be a possibility for 2012, depending on the outcome of our Warsaw contact. Maybe they still want us to come for a SC midyear meeting in 2012.

6. Developing strategies around dyslexia
(discussed on SC2:Saturday 14 August)
Since more and more members of this section are involved with services to the dyslectic, Geert from Luisterpunt proposes that the SC makes an inquiry among the members to see who is doing what. He will set up a format with questions/topics that we can use to gather the answers. Koen will send this out the members of the section requesting to share this information. Julie will contact the chair of IDA (intern Dyslexia Association) and invite him/her for our meeting in Japan. The purpose of the inquiry is to gather and share knowledge and to find ways how best to develop services for this particular group. The survey will include school- and textbooks.
From the gathered data we may want to update the guidelines for Public Libraries that was made by the LSN section some 10 years ago. Misako will inform them that we are starting this process, and asking them if such an update might be welcomed.
Geert requests for examples of local examples of copyright texts that include the dyslectic as being part of the print-disabled.

7. Finalising LPD-LSN session on Friday
We will have 2 presentations on Friday. One on the Swedish project of Apple Shelves by Jenny Nilson, and one on the GAL / TI project plan by Margaret. Then there is a panel discussion with Hiroshi, Julie and Ellen Tise. The panel will among other things explain how this project connects with IFLA strategic Plan, how it follows up on the P3 resolution, and what was discussed in the preconference in Oslo.

8. Merging Global Accessible Library with WIPO/Trusted Intermediary project
   a. Report from Winston Tabb: Winston is chair of IFLA special interest group on Copyright and Legal Matters (CLM). He updates the SC on the latest developments at the WIPO Stakeholders’ Platform and the meetings of WIPO’s Standing Committee on Copyright and Related Issues (SCCR). At the last SCRR meeting in June no decision could be reached on the tabled progress for a worldwide treaty for material for the reading impaired, a.k.a the Treaty for the Blind. This was because the EU and US tabled “softer” (licensing) solutions on how to progress in this area. And because late in the meeting the African countries tabled a proposal that included many more limitations exceptions for libraries and for schools to be included in the Treaty. The
next SCCR meeting will happen in November. Before that, IFLA’s CLM will hold two meetings. On 2-3 September in Uruguay to meet with the Latin American group that drives for the Treaty for the Blind. And one in the second week of October in Geneva to discuss with the African Group that wants to expand the Treaty. The situation is complex and difficult. CLM will work from the principal of “maturity”, meaning that the Treaty of the Blind has matured more (is better developed and argued for), and should be tabled and discussed first. The timetable for the Treaty for the Blind includes 12 months of discussion and a diplomatic conference in the fall of 2012 with the aim of making the Treaty a reality at WIPO’s general meeting in 2012. Since WIPO works on a consensus model, it is very hard to predict the outcome.

On October 22 the next Stakeholders Platform meeting will be held in New Dehli, India. Julie will attend that meeting representing LPD and supporting CLM. LPD can raise the issue from the human rights angle and ask WIPO to implement the UN conventions on rights of the disabled. However, that comes down to asking the member states to implement the UN convention. It is the political representatives of all of the UN member states that get to vote on the general meeting of WIPO.

b. **Global Library project**: Margaret will give a full summary of GAL project and the merger with the WIPO stakeholders TI pilot project on Friday.

Some have wondered if we (LPD + DAISY) are being pushed towards the merger between the GAL project and the WIPO TI pilot project. On the contrary, the GAL Strategy report, March 2010, recommended that “subject to further exploration, it seems very likely that there is sufficient alignment between the TI Pilot Project objectives and those of the GAL to merit further analysis to determine the potential for integrating the two projects.” One of the goals of the project is to test a set of guidelines developed in conjunction with the rightsholders for cross-border exchange of materials protected by copyright among ‘trusted intermediaries’; to gain trust with the publishers and to show that allowing cross-border lending will not result in piracy. We do need to keep in mind our vision for the global accessible library where *end-users* can find and access alternative format materials located in other libraries (TIs) around the world, and we can eliminate costly duplication of production effort and increase the overall quantity of accessible content. We need to ensure that the client-to-library solution is part of the GAL/TI three-year project plan.

A project team of three is currently working on the development of the project plan, merging the ideas of the GAL with that of the WIPO TI pilot. Ten organisations will be approached to determine their interest in being the first participants in the GAL/TI pilot project. WIPO Stakeholders Platform will likely be the project executive sponsor/owner. WBU, DAISY, IFLA and rightsholders are represented there. A steering committee for the GAL/TI project is proposed consisting of 7 persons, three rightsholders, three from LPD/DAISY, and a Chair. The SC will be supported by 2 advisory groups to provide input and feedback, one representing the interests of the rightsholders and the other the TIs. This is where LPD can and should have formal representation.

To help promote the project and drive it forward SC members are requested to send to their respective National Library a pre-drafted letter, which Julie will send to members, and to follow up with a meeting to explaining the problem of accessibility, the existing book famine, and the potential benefits of the global accessible library in
addressing both. A discussion with the right holders in each country is also recommended. An information kit should be provided with good examples, arguments and explanations about the needed license agreements for cross border lending. (Julie will follow up).

c. **Report on Memorandum of Understanding** (EU-project). Koen reports that over the last 2 years a group of EU stakeholders, including EBU and the EU rightsholders have met to work on a practical solution on how the territorial copyrights (with exceptions that vary from country to country) can be transformed so that digital accessible information can be distributed to print disabled persons in the EU. The background for this is the Green Paper on Copyright in the Knowledge Society and esp. the problems that were described with the exceptions for the print disabled. This platform has now agreed upon a Memorandum of Understanding to be approved by the DG of Internal Market and signed on the 14th of September by the EU Commissioner Mr. Barniers. Co authors (and co-signers) are going to be EBU and the FEP (Federation of European Publishers). In the Memorandum there is stated working definition of recognised print disability that includes dyslexia, and of the concept of Trusted Intermediary. A network of European TI’s is envisioned that will allow for the safe transfer of files within the broader European Community (including a.o. Norway and Switzerland). This Memorandum can become a recognised milestone and a steppingstone to setting up practical projects for TI’s operating within a network. This opens up possibilities for EU funding. The DG Market is driving this forward as examples how the EU can become a single market for creative industries.

Send an email to Koen if you want to involved in further updates on this development, or in the future become part of this EU network of TI’s

d. **Manifesto for LPD**
The draft text of the LPD Manifesto has been refined and will now be sent out to all sections chairs of the Division 1 asking for feedback, + CLM and including Stuart Hamilton the senior policy officer of Ifla. We will also take notice of the Manifesto on digital libraries. (Koen send it to Julie).
Stuart has advised on the road ahead for getting the Manifesto to be recognised by UNESCO. The goal is to sent the corrected version of the Manifesto to the December meeting of the Governing Board (GB). They will comment on it and refine it. This then should be send in for endorsement to IFAP, an intergovernmental program of UNESCO, at heir council meeting in March 2011. The final step happens at the general meeting of Unesco, that is gathered every 2 years. Next GM of Unesco will be in October 2011.
We can develop guidelines, workshops and training programs from the Manifesto, even before we get the Unesco approval and status. Stuart believes that our Manifesto does fit well under the ALP (Advocacy for Libraries Program)

e. **Update from ongoing (or completed) projects**

1. **Performance measures Project**
   Jon and Sebastian Mundt (from Statistics & Evaluation) report on the progress. It has been and still is an interesting work in progress, very different than what the Stats&Ev Section has been doing for other libraries. The goal is to develop a list of performance indicators, that may serve as a way of measuring and comparing our efforts. There is now a long list of performance items that will be send to the SC for
comments. This will lead to a reduced set of 20 items that we feel comfortable with. The third phase of the project will then be that we will try out these indicators in a sort of field test. We need to have these field test results ready for next IFLA in Puerto Rico.

2. **LSN pre-conference in Oslo (completed)**
The conference is considered a success by all who were there and Kari is thanked for her organising and supporting efforts.

3. **Crimean Conference in Sudak (completed)**
Elena reports on the conference. It is the largest and best visited conference in the library field after IFLA. It attracted more than 1300 attendees from more than 40 countries. Information technologies, but also legislative copyright issues and services to children with disabilities were being addressed. It is a problem for the organisations of the blind in the Fed. of Russian Republics to start sharing with the GAL / TI project, because of the special formats these institutions are producing in. They are looking for conversion solutions for 10,000 titles.

Elena invites everybody to come to the next Crimean Conference in beautiful Sudak, next year from 4 – 12 June, with seminars on accessible services on 7 or 8 of June. Papers and participation is most welcome. Best topics are: Manifesto, Performance Measures Pilot, Global Accessible Library. Please send in papers or go and make presentations!

4. **Going to Warsaw**
The planned trip to Warsaw did not happen because of agenda problems. Sanja and Koen will make a new attempt to visit them in the fall. Find out what they are interested in and what kind of support they want to have from us. Interest them in joining the section and give them Daisy information. Try to find out if they are interested and equipped for organising a preconference to the Helsinki meeting or the midyear meeting of 2012.

The ppt that was developed in Helsinki needs to have some more pictures. Julie will contact Jenni Handschack. Minna will send pictures to Julie, who will refine the ppt.

5. **Braille 21**
This international world congress on Braille and its innovations is scheduled for 27-30 September 2011 in Leipzig. Jenni and Thomas have send an update on its progress, and it is well on its way. It is still possible to make presentations, or become a Braille ambassador. For more information: [www.braille21.net](http://www.braille21.net)

6. **Ulverscroft**
Jon gives update on the Ulverscroft grants. These are grants from the Ulverscroft Foundation that individuals can apply to, to get funding for having a traineeship at a foreign organisation.

f. **Marketing Plan and PR activities**
1. Promotional toolkit (LPD’s ppt.) was discussed under the Warsaw item

g. **Preparing Puerto Rico**
The deadline for announcing a satellite in Puerto Rico has passed in March this year. However, we could develop and schedule a special off-site day or seminar that attract libraries for the blind from the region.
David from NLS agreed to contact Igrí Enríquez Rodríguez, Director of the Puerto Rico Regional Library for the Blind and Physically Handicapped, to inquire about the possibility of any available free presentation/meeting space for 80 people during IFLA 2011 in San Juan. Working from this information the SC officers will plan further aiming for a full day off-site program during IFLA, and inform the members.

h. Section communication

1. New List servers

There are 2 new listservers. One open for all who are interested, and for the standing committee. The Yahoo list is closed. The new lists do not allow for HTML and attachments. Instructions for joining and use are on the website (http://www.ifla.org/en/node/4627)

Open list: ifla-lpd@infoserv.inist.fr
SC members: lpdsc@infoserv.inist.fr

2. Any Other Business?

Julie states that in order to over forward with the projects such as Manifesto and the GAL/TI, members need to respond to the information. No response means that you are happy with the way things are going. If not, let it be known!

Be aware that your 4 year term might come to an end. You can renew your term once. But you have to be nominated. You will receive papers from IFLA HQ in October on this. The deadline for nominating is early February. Don’t miss it. HQ does not allow for late nominations.

Please read IFLA strategic planning and send in your comments to Julie before October. With that we can modify our own strategic plan and send 1-3 activities from our section that are connected to IFLA overall strategy.

David from NLS submitted a request on behalf of Judy Dixon, Chair of the Braille Authority of North America:

The International Council on English Braille (ICEB) and the National Library Service for the Blind and Physically Handicapped of the Library of Congress (NLS) have begun the process of gathering data for the third edition of World Braille Usage, a book that lists basic information about braille codes used throughout the world. Transcribers needing to produce braille in languages other than their own turn to this resource for guidance and direction. Names and addresses of organizations that are currently involved in developing or maintaining braille codes are sought (including organizations who are responsible for literary braille codes as well as any and all technical codes) in as many languages as possible.

An online data collection form has been created to gather that info at www.nlstalkingbooks.org/wbu. If you have a large number of organizations to contribute, you may provide a list by e-mail being sure to include all the data requested by the online form. This data collection phase will conclude September 30, 2010. Please send any information or inquiries to Judy Dixon at jdix@loc.gov.
End of meeting
Action item list coming out of SC1 & SC 2 meeting in Gothenburg
In order of the minutes:

All: Send brief summaries about what is happening at your home organizations that you want to share with the group to Koen (before 1st October)

All: send in 1-2 items from our strategic plan that may serve as actions under IFLA’s activity plan (before 1st of October)
Julie: follow up on the annual report and aligning our strategic plan with IFLA’s

All: reserve the dates for midyear meeting in Osaka: 7 – 10 February 2011

Geert: draft format for dyslectic services inquiry and send to Koen
Koen: send inquiry to all members and summarize response.
Julie: contact president of IDA
Misako: ask LSN if they allow work on their Guidelines for Dyslexia Services

Julie: ask for invitation to be part of the next WIPO stakeholders meeting in October, New Delhi.
All: send out a pre-drafted letter to your National Libraries.
All: find out whether your country has ratified the UN Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disability (cf. UN website)
All: make contact with your local government, inform them on the WBU treaty and ask them what they are doing to help this forward
All: Send an email to Koen if you want to involved in further updates of the EU Memorandum

Koen: find Manifesto on Digital Libraries and send to Julie
Julie: send out manifest for review to chairs of all division1 section
Julie: send out manifesto to GB meeting in December

Jon and Sebastian: send out long list of performance measures for review to SC members

All who want: Papers for and participation in Sudak conference is most welcome. Best topics are: Manifesto, Performance Measures Pilot, Global Accessible Library.

Koen and Sanja: make contact again with Warsaw and plan trip end of October

Julie: refine PPT for LPD toolkit
Minna: send pictures to Jule for the PPT.

Next newsletter: deadline 1st of November:
Word from the Chair(Julie), Introducing David from NLS (David), Report on Sudak (Elena), Global Accessible Library Progress(Julie), Manifesto (Julie), Warsaw report (Koen), Oslo Preconference (Kari), The promotional daisy campaign in Belgium (Geert)