(PAC) Centres

To be submitted to IFLA HQ (tanja.clausen@ifla.org) by the 30th of June of each year

Note: the annual report of each PAC Centre will be published on the PAC website (http://www.ifla.org/publications/pac-annual-report?og=32). If, for any reason, you do not want part or all of the information below to be publish online please indicate so clearly!

Year of report

2018

Annual Report Template for the IFLA Preservation and Conservation

International Cooperation (highlight activities and work the PAC Centre has done in the international preservation and conservation network and where your PAC Centre has provided support on an international level)

- The presidents of the National Library in both Brazil and Mozambique/Africa have recently signed a cooperation agreement. The aim of this cooperation will be to work in the following areas; librarianship, bibliography, archiving, information technology which includes digitization issues and access to information; preservation and conservation of books and documents plus documents exchange. This project will be ongoing until 2020.
- More information contact maria.marques@bn.gov.br

Local Cooperation (highlight activities and work your PAC Centre has done in the local preservation and conservation network and where your PAC Centre has provided support on a local level)

- The Preservation Centre annually offers an “Informative Preservation and Safety Course for Documentation and Bibliographical Collections”. This course is open to the public, to our staff and to anyone from Latin America. This year the conservation and restoration lab are in architectural works. Therefore, the course was transferred to the next year (2019).
- More information contact preserve@bn.gov.br

Workshops/trainings/events (what workshops/trainings/events has the PAC Centre organised? Which workshops/trainings/events did the PAC Centre participate in? Both on international and national level)

- We offer internships, trainings and technical assistance for Brazilian professionals and cultural foundations around the country as well as for those coming from the National Libraries abroad within Latin America.
- Currently we are receiving Ms. Aissa Seidi (from Portugal) for an internship in our Laboratory of Restoration.
- The article "Colour identification, degradation processes and findings in a fifteenth-century Book of Hours: the case study of Cofre nº31 from Mafra National Palace" – Portugal;
By Isamara Lara de Carvalho, MSc; Conceição Casanova, PhD; Rita Araújo, MSc; Ana Lemos, MSc; has been accepted for publication in the HERITAGE SCIENCE JOURNAL.


- We would like to inform IFLA / PAC that we will not present the **19th Informative Course on the Preservation and Security of Bibliographic Collections and Documents** in the National Library in August, because of the painting work of the building and the windows of the collections guard areas. However, it was decided, in a meeting with the Presidency of the National Library that we will be hosting the "**II Library of Bibliographic Heritage in Latin America and the Caribbean's**" next October in the Library Auditorium, an event with **IFLA partnership / Rare Books and Special Collections Section**. This decision is due to the fact that the auditorium of the National Library will not be going under construction, at the time, such as the rest of the building of our Institution.

**Involvement of the PAC Centre with the IFLA Risk Register** (e.g. promotion etc.)

- We have made our **“Risk Management Plan Safeguard & Emergency”** available in our library websites. This plan can be read in the following languages:
  - Portuguese www.bn.br/producao/publicacoes
  - Spanish www.bn.br/es/produccion/publicaciones
  - English www.bn.br/en/production/publications

**Suggestions to IFLA HQ on improvements to the PAC Centre network** (e.g. gaps in expertise covered by the current PAC Centre network, communication issues, support requests (non-financial) etc.)

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**New standards/guidelines/best practices which should be shared with the community**

- The Preservation Centre in conjunction with the Federal Institute of Education and Technology of the Rio de Janeiro/RJ, under the supervision of Dr. Renato Freitas is performing scientific research on the pollution index that occurs within collections of the National Library. Please see **“Indoor air quality of the Brazilian National Library in Rio de Janeiro”** www.bn.br/en/production/documents

**Any other comments**

For questions regarding **BNDigital**, (digitization and metadata of documentation for access) please contact:

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Add additional resources and pictures at the end of the document.
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