PAC Center for Eastern Europe and The CIS: Planning for 2017-18

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What activities do you plan to carry out to support international cooperation in 2017-18?

Our Center will carry out the professional development program “Cultural heritage as the basis for intercultural dialogue. Strategies for preservation in Russia and Italy”. It will take place in Florence, Rome, February 26 – March 4, 2018. Within the program the participants will visit the Vatican Apostolic Library, Central Institute for the Restoration and Conservation of Archival and Book Heritage (ICRCPAL), the Restoration department of the Uffizi Gallery and take part in the opening of 20th Assembly and Symposium of the Foundation “Heritage for Planet Earth 2018” at the Fondazione Romualdo Del Bianco.

The center will carry out the annual foresight session “Shaping the Future of the Libraries” within the frameworks of implementation IFLA International Advocacy Programme, April 19 – 20, 2018. The foresight session will start its work with the greetings from IFLA President Gloria Perez-Salmerón. Among the participants of the event will be heads and specialists from Russian libraries. The topic of the meeting is "Libraries and the UN 2030 Agenda. How Russian libraries can further development?"

Our Center plans to participate in the XXIII Annual Conference of the Russian Library Association. It will take place in Vladimir (The library capital of Russia 2018), May 12 - May 18, 2018. The main theme of the Congress 2018 is "Relying on the past, we build the future. The role of cultural heritage in the transformation of Russian librarianship ". The strategic goal of the Congress is the elaboration of the Library Development Concept in the Russian Federation. As the pre-event activity PAC Center for Eastern Europe and The CIS in cooperation with the Goethe Institute in Moscow will organise a training course/workshop “The restorer school”.

The Center will carry out the professional development program "Cultural heritage as the basis for intercultural dialogue. Conservation Strategies in Russia and the Czech Republic", Czech Republic, October 8-14, 2018. The organizers of the event are All-Russia State Library for Foreign Literature, PAC Center for Eastern Europe and The CIS, National Library of the Czech Republic, RLA (Russian Library Association, Section for International Cooperation).
We also have an agreement with the Library of Congress to hold a master class under the guidance of their specialists. This year we will open the world's first specialized Regional IFLA PAC Center, with a restoration studio and a training center. The Center will be fitted with advanced equipment and qualified employees.

### Which other countries are you working with?

Austria, Armenia, France, Germany, Italy, Spain, USA and others.
PAC Center for Eastern Europe and The CIS took part in the program for the professional exchange and acquaintance with the activities of other restoration centers in the following countries: Armenia, Austria, Bulgaria, Czech Republic, England, France, Hungary, Italy, Ireland, Lithuania, Poland, Portugal, Scotland, Spain, Switzerland, USA.

### Which new countries are you planning to work with?

We are interested in interaction with all the IFLA PAC Centers. First of all, we’d like to establish contact with the Centers in Qatar, Australia, China and Japan.

### What activities do you plan to carry out at the national/local level in 2017-18?

Our center plans to take part in the interregional scientific and practical conference "Museum activity in modern libraries", Irkutsk (Russia), September, 2018. Within the conference will be conducted the workshop “Experiences and best practices of paper document conservation in libraries and museums”

The Center is going to participate in the scientific and practical seminar in Yakutsk (Russia), September, 2018. The seminar will be focused on the theme of newspapers preservation.

We’re going to take part in the professional workshop on establishing the International School of Restoration, organized by the National Research Tomsk State University, September, 2018, Tomsk (Russia).

Our center plans to carry out a study on the condition of the rare book fund of the Russian State Library for Foreign Literature for Ph index.

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### What workshops, training courses or events do you plan to carry out in 2017-18?

The main topics of the workshops in 2018:
First is preservation and conservation of library collections in the aspect of preventive restoration measures.
The second one is how to restore documents after an emergency situation?
The third topic is Preservation and Conservation of digital media.

### What standards, guidelines and/or best practices will you develop and share in 2017-18?

Experience of the PAC Center for the Eastern Europe and The CIS in the field of preservation and conservation of library funds.
Also we will be glad to share our experience at the opening of the specialized Regional PAC IFLA Center.

### What actions will you take to promote the IFLA Risk Register in 2017-18?

This topic will be included in the discussions within all the events of the Center.
Do you have any other plans you would like to share?
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This year we will actively develop our IFLA PAC Center and intensively interact with other Centers.
We would like to establish contacts for conducting training workshops. If IFLA supports us in obtaining the latest methodological literature from IFLA, we will be able to translate it and distribute it to other preservation and conservation centers in our region.

With which partners will you work?
Goethe-Institut of Moscow, Russian Library Association, Central Institute for the Restoration and Conservation of Archival and Book Heritage, Library of Congress and a lot of Russian institutions.