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Session 124 Fragile! Careful Handling Required: Manuscript housing, conservation and metadata documentation for access - Strategic Programme on Preservation and Conservation (PAC) with Rare Books and Special Collections (SI)

In 2017, an IFLA workshop on developing metadata standards for palm leaf manuscripts highlighted the importance of taking a more holistic approach to these rare, and often fragile works. Too often, the tools and guidance available to the library community is ill suited to manuscripts, as opposed to books or other works. What experience can we share, and how can we overcome this challenge?

The Strategic Programme on Preservation and Conservation is therefore focusing its 2018 WLIC session on the preservation and storage of, as well as metadata for documentation and access to, both manuscripts in general, and palm leaf manuscripts in particular. Within the session, there will be an update on work on developing metadata standards for palm leaf manuscripts, and a series of presentations on broader work to ensure the sustainability and accessibility of manuscripts.

1. Designing Metadata Standards for Manuscripts - Update on ongoing IFLA Work
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2. Digital Union Catalogue of Malay Manuscripts at the National Library of Malaysia: The way forward
   Faizal Hilmiye Yusof, Digital Union Catalogue of Malay Manuscripts, Malaysia
   Muhammad Mustaqrin Mohd Zarif, Islamic Science University of Malaysia (USIM), Malaysia

3. Cinquante nuances d'EAD: réconcilier la théorie et la pratique de la description des manuscrits à la Bibliothèque nationale de France / Fifty Shades of EAD: Bringing together the theory and practice of manuscript description at the National Library of France
   Mélanie Roche, Bibliothèque nationale de France, France
   Maryline Devidal, Bibliothèque nationale de France, France

4. Developing a strategic program for safeguarding palm-leaf manuscripts in Sri Lanka
   L.M. Udaya Prasad Cabral, National Library and Documentation Services Board, Sri Lanka
   Muthurajah Norman Ravikumar, Eastern University Sri Lanka, Sri Lanka
   Thankavadivel Ramanan, Eastern University, Sri Lanka
5. Case Studies of four libraries in Nepal
Bina Vaidya, Tribhuvan University Central Library, Nepal