

World Library and Information Congress: 81st IFLA General Conference and Assembly
15 - 21 August 2015 Capetown, South Africa
Congress Theme: "Dynamic Libraries: Access, Development and Transformation"

Call for Papers – School Libraries Section (Division I)

Theme:

Global Action on School Library Guidelines: Development and Implementation

This session celebrates the revision of the IFLA School Library Guidelines and the launch of a new book, *Global Action on School Library Guidelines* (deGruyter Saur, 2015). Innovative school library-related initiatives from around the world illuminate diverse approaches to improving school library services, through the development and implementation of guidelines and standards.

Topics of interest:

The School Libraries Section invites submission of proposals for papers (including case studies) about school library guidelines initiatives. The papers will be presented at a two-hour session in Capetown; the language of the session will be English.

Proposals might address one of the topics suggested, but are not limited to these topics:

- Development of school library guidelines at the national, regional or local level
- Collaboration to incorporate school library guidelines in legislation or regulation
- Development of an implementation program for school library guidelines
- Government initiatives for the development of school library guidelines
- Using data to inform efforts to create or revise school library guidelines
- Communicating with stakeholders and/or decision-makers about school library guidelines
- Using school library guidelines for the development and/or evaluation of school libraries

Important dates:

- **2 February 2015:** Deadline for submission of proposals
- **2 March 2015:** Notification of acceptance
- **18 May 2015:** Deadline for submission of full text of the paper

Submission of Proposals – guidelines:

Proposals should be submitted in the form of an extended abstract and be no more than 500 words in length. Proposals also should include the following information:

- Name, title, and employer or affiliated institution of presenter(s)
- Title of proposed paper
- Address and email address of speaker(s)
- Brief biographical statement about each speaker
- Language of presentation
- Contact information for response to the proposal

Proposals should be sent by **2 February 2015** to:

Dianne Oberg
Secretary of the School Libraries Section
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The subject line of your submission should be "*IFLA SL Proposal*" followed by your last name. For example, "*IFLA SL Proposal - Oberg*"

The contact person for each proposal will be informed by **2 March 2015** whether their proposal has been accepted or not.

Submission of Final Papers:

Presenters will be expected to submit abstracts (maximum 300 words) and full papers (maximum 3000 words) as an MS Word file by email to doberg@ualberta.ca by **18 May 2015**. Papers should be in English (or in one of the other official IFLA languages - Arabic, Chinese, French, German, Russian, and Spanish - with an English translation attached). Papers must be original and must not have been published previously.

Note:

All expenses, including registration for the congress, travel, and accommodation, are the responsibility of the authors /presenters. No financial support can be provided by IFLA or by the School Libraries Section, but a special invitation can be issued to authors for the day of their presentation.

The School Libraries Section looks forward to hearing from you regarding your proposals for papers for WLIC 2015.