Membership of the Section and of the Standing Committee

In 2000 the IFLA Section on Serial Publications had 11 Standing Committee members from 8 countries, 1 ex-officio member from the ISSN International Centre and 4 special advisors from 3 countries. There were no changes regarding the officers and the information coordinator of the Standing Committee. 78 national associations and institutional or personal members were registered for the Section.

Projects in which the Section was involved

- The Russian translation of the Section's Basic serials management handbook was completed and is ready for printing, preparations of the French translation were continued.
- An analysis of the Directory of Union Catalogues (see at http://archive.ifla.org/VI/2/duc/index.htm) was performed. New methods of updating were investigated and possibilities of redesigning were sought for. A project was initiated for the next year with this aim.
- The Section was (and is) involved in the revision process of the ISBD(S).
- The Section participated in the FRANAR (Functional Requirements of Authority Names and Records) working group and also the PRAC (Publishers Relations Advisory Committee).
- The Section co-sponsored an important symposium of the IFLA PAC Core Activity, a conference on Preservation of Serials and Newspapers (Paris, August, 2000).

Publications

- The following issues of the Newsletter of the IFLA Section on Serial Publications were published and mounted on IFLANET (see at http://www.ifla.org/VI/s16/pubs/): no. 36, February 2000 (edited by Nina Khakhaleva), no. 37, August 2000 and no. 38, November 2000 (both edited by the information coordinator, Elizabeth Gazdag). These issues were devoted to the SC meetings held during the annual IFLA conferences in Bangkok and in Jerusalem, to current news from the serials' world and also to introduction of a few serials interest groups from European countries, and specialized groups of America and Australia.
- The Section's Brochure was revised and printed for the Jerusalem Conference. Spanish and French translations of the brochure were prepared later on, and were edited for printing (the printing house undertook producing the brochures for the beginning of 2001).
**IFLA Conference programmes organized by the Section**


- **open meetings:**
  - Models for Acquiring Electronic Resources / Acquisition and Collection Development joint with Serial Publications (SI)
  - Serials of the Middle East and Africa / Serial Publications

- **workshop:**
  - Digitization of Newspapers / Round Table on Newspapers

**Papers contributed by the Section**


- The future of serials - realism or utopia / by Hartmut Walravens, Berlin State Library, Germany (available at [http://archive.ifla.org/IV/ifla66/papers/143-144e.htm](http://archive.ifla.org/IV/ifla66/papers/143-144e.htm))