Serials and Other Continuing Resources Section

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Mission

The Serials and Other Continuing Resources Section concerns itself with all issues that make continuing resources unique in both the print and electronic environments. These include: bibliographic standards and control; holdings information; national and international library co-operation; access and availability; conservation and archiving; collection management and development; pricing issues; copyright and licensing issues; and, relationships with the publishers and suppliers of continuing resources, as well as other related organisations. The accelerating impact of technological developments on library continuing resources producers, liaison with suppliers, and the continuing resources publishing industry also fall within the remit of the Section. As access rather than ownership becomes an increasingly important issue, the Section is committed to working closely with the appropriate Core Activities and Standing Committees within IFLA.

Goals

1. Promote the importance of best practices in library continuing resources collection management and development, encourage open access, and provide for the impact of new technology.

2. Work towards the improvement of national and international cooperation on access to continuing resources information to include bibliographic information, holdings, abstracting and indexing services, etc.

3. Promote the importance of, and improvement to, national and international standards for continuing resources.
4. Work with a variety of groups outside IFLA (e.g., publishers, authors, suppliers, serials interest groups) and IFLA sections to promote co-operation within the serials information chain.

5. Raise the profile of the Section by improving dissemination of information about the programmes, publications, and activities of the Section and by attracting and involving new members.

Membership – The Section's membership comprises some 65 institutions and a few individuals. The standing committee has the following members:

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Newsletter

In summer 2007, Information Coordinator Simonetta Pasqualis of Italy issued the section newsletter (11 pages) covering the following topics:

1. Professional Committee Meeting Held In The Hague, The Netherlands, 14-15 March 2006, From Our Chair Edward Swanson

2. Governing Board Meeting Held In The Hague, The Netherlands, 15-16 March 2006, From Our Chair Edward Swanson

4. Revised Report On The State Of Serials Librarianship In Sweden, From Our S.C. Member Eva-Lisa Holm Granath

5. Report On The Project Hemeroteca Digital Of The National Library Of Spain, From Our S.C. Member Elena Garcia-Puente Lillo


7. Agenda For The Standing Committee Meetings At The 2007 IFLA General Conference And Council, Durban 18-24 August 2007

**Durban Conference Open Programme Session**

A very successful open programme was organized by the Section from 10.45-12.45 a.m., on Wednesday 22 August. The theme was: *Serials and Other Continuing Resources: New Initiatives in Africa and Developing Countries*. The planning committee included Hildegard Schaffler, Bayerische Staatsbibliotek, Germany; and Ann Okerson, Yale University Library, USA. The following papers were delivered:

- Access to African Published Research: the complementary approaches of NISC SA and African Journals Online

  MARGARET CRAMPTON (NISC, South Africa) and SUSAN MURRAY (AJOL, South Africa)

- The JSTOR African Access Initiative

  JASON PHILLIPS (JSTOR, New York, USA)

- Online Access to Research in the Environment (OARE): UNEP/Yale University New Strategic and Capacity Building Tool To Enhance the Role of Libraries in Partnership for Development

  SERGE BOUNDA (UNEP, Nairobi, Kenya)

- The DISA Project. Packaging South African Heritage as a Continuing Resource: Content, Access, Ownership and Ideology

  MICHELE PICKOVER (University of Witwatersrand, South Africa)
The section sponsored a 2-day event prior to the WLIC conference in Durban. The theme of this satellite conference, attended by approximately 50 librarians, was: ELECTRONIC RESOURCE MANAGEMENT SYSTEMS: A Solution with Its Own Challenges. This was a very informative and exciting experience in hearing about and discussing Electronic Resource Management systems (ERMs). The program covered how ERMS are driving organization change, what they may be evolving into, the challenges they present to the libraries using them, and whether they can be at all useful to libraries who are just developing their online presence. The dates and venue were:

August 16-17, 2007
UWC Library Auditorium, Ground Floor
University of the Western Cape
Modderdam Road, Bellville
Cape Town 7535
South Africa
Library Entrance, University of Western Cape

Participants in Preconference
Alicia Wise speaking at Preconference

The Section is deeply indebted to all the local arrangements staff from Cape Town University and particularly from the University of the Western Cape, for their incredible work on the flawless logistics. This work was coordinated by Katy Ginanni, Ebsco; Caroline Dean, University of Cape Town; and Caretha Nel, Cape Peninsula University of Technology. The Programme committee included: Helen Heinrich, Cataloging Coordinator, California State University, Northridge, California, USA; Eva-Lisa Holm Granath, Serials Librarian / Serials Cataloguer, Linköping University, Sweden; and Kimberly Parker, Head, Electronic Collections, Yale University Library, New Haven, Connecticut, USA. Administrative support was provided by Yale Library staff: Graziano Krätli, Jessica Slawski, Roy Bohlander, Meng Tang, and Ann Okerson. Our gratitude goes to our wonderful sponsors: Ebsco Information Services, Innovative Intervaces, ProQuest, Swets, and TDNet.

Full particulars, speaker information, and papers can be found at the conference Web site at:
http://www.library.yale.edu/preifla2007/