

**The IFLA Trend Report:
Opportunities and Challenges for
Libraries and Research Services for
Parliaments.**

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IFLA is the Global Voice of Libraries

150 Countries

1400 members



Working to improve access to
information



Literature Review



Expert discussions



Wider consultation



Construction of web platform, Insights



Launch...and over to you!



Jan
Literature Review and
Online Repository of links

Feb
Expert Submissions

Mar
Experts Roundtable in Mexico City

April
Synthesis of Expert Discussion

May
Additional key questions debated by experts
on online platform discussion forum

June
Wider group of experts invited to
contribute and comment

july
All the elements above are published
on the Trend Report Online Platform

Aug
Insights Document produced
highlighting 5 top level trends

Sept
Further library community discussion and
debate via the online forum

...and beyond



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Riding the waves or caught in the tide? Insights from the IFLA Trend Report





New Technology will Expand Access to Information but also Present Barriers.

- Higher value to literacy skills
- New online business models
- Billion new internet users in developing countries





On-Line learning Will Transform and Disrupt Traditional Education

Learning opportunities cheaper and more abundant
More recognition of non-formal and informal learning



The Boundaries of Privacy and Data Protection will be Redefined



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Likely Outcomes

Tracking communications cheaper and easier
Challenges to regulating the internet
Trust in the on-line world erodes?
Engagement versus fear.



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TREND 1:

**NEW TECHNOLOGIES WILL
BOTH EXPAND AND LIMIT WHO
HAS ACCESS TO INFORMATION**

TREND 5:

**THE GLOBAL INFORMATION
ECONOMY WILL BE TRANSFORMED
BY NEW TECHNOLOGIES**



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Likely Outcomes

Mobile devices main medium for access to information
3Dprinting creatively disrupts global manufacturing
Real time multilingual voice translation



Hyper-connected Societies will Listen to and Empower New Voiced and Groups



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Likely Outcomes

More single issue groups

Open government initiatives= transparency

Individuals empowered

Cybercriminals, terrorists and extremists also

Political parties may be weakened

Status of women transformed



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Outcomes continued

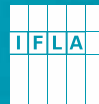
Virtual environments to test potential decisions
Institutional credibility comes from transparency



2012 World E-Parliament Study

Observations

Increased number of citizens
With mobile access
Use of social media growing
There are technology gaps



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How we got here



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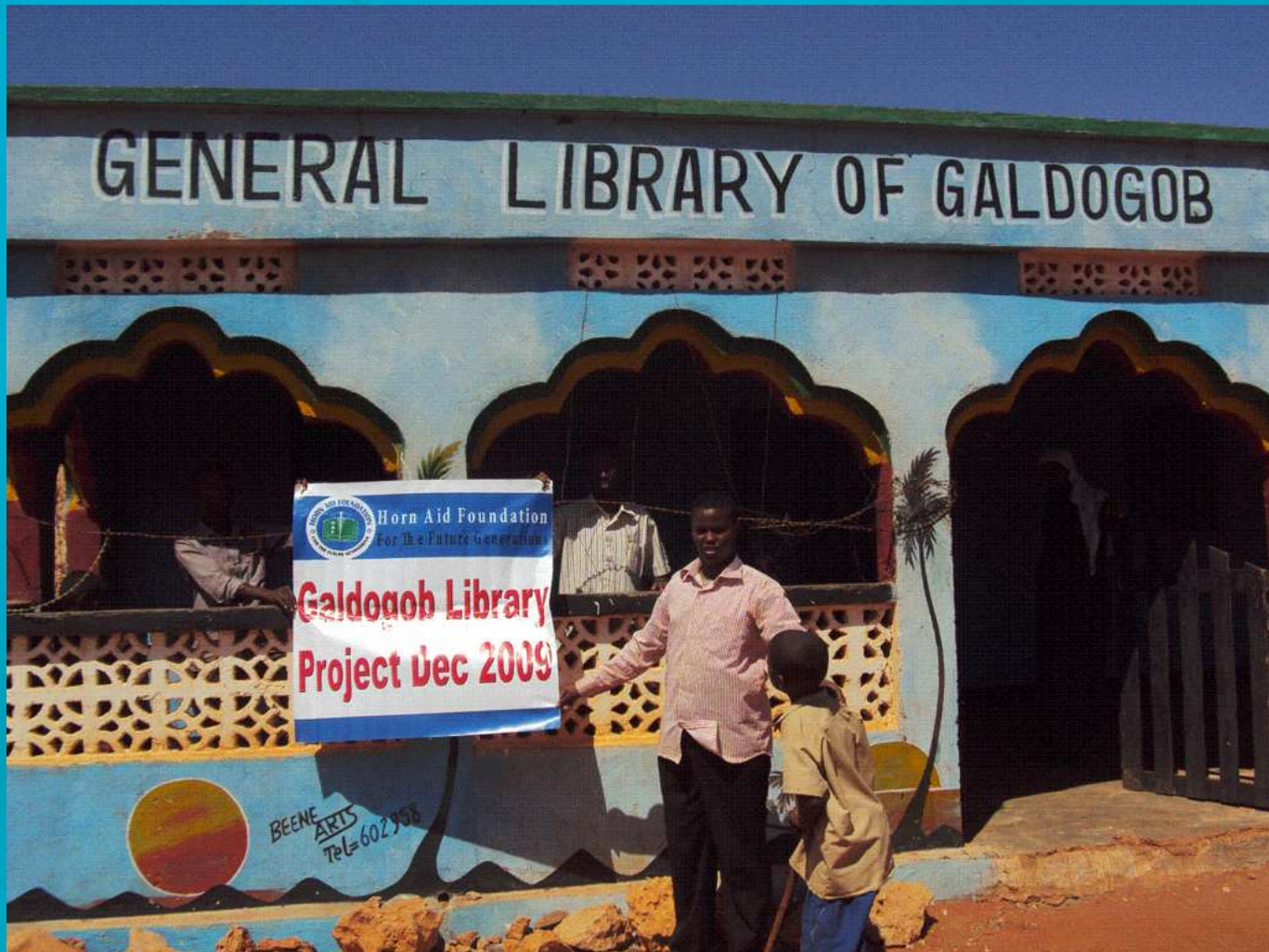


It all depends on Access

Many of the trends will not effect the majority of the world's population, rural and poor communities least likely to be on-line.

Public libraries bridge that gap.

73% of world's public libraries in developing and transitioning countries



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Trends = Call to Action

U.N. Post 2016 development agenda
IFLA wants to see the Post-2015 development agenda
recognise the value of:
Access to information to development
ICTs and access to information



The Lyon Declaration on Access to Information and Development

The Lyon Declaration is an advocacy document that will be used to positively influence the content of the United Nations post-2015 development agenda.

The Declaration begins by setting out principles relating to access to information. Access to information supports development by empowering people to:

- Exercise their civil, political, economic, social and cultural rights
- Learn and apply new skills
- Make decisions and participate in an active and engaged civil society
- Create community-based solutions to development challenges
- Ensure accountability, transparency, good governance, and empowerment
- Measure progress on public and private commitments on sustainable development.





Thank you

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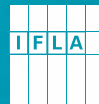
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