Notes of International ISBN Agency Board Meeting

Arjuna Room, Discovery Kartika Plaza Hotel, Jl. Kartika Plaza,
South Kuta 80361 Bali, Indonesia
Sunday 20 September 2015

Present:
Ronald Schild (Chair), Piero Attanasio*, Beat Barblan, Maarit Huttunen*, Miguel Jiménez, Alenka Kanič, Jonathan Nowell*, Carol Riccalton*, Stella Griffiths, Nick Woods

* participated via Skype connection.

Apologies:
Henri Barthel, Bernardo Jaramillo Hoyos, Neil Wilson

1. ISMN
Ronald confirmed to the Board that Hartmut Walravens of the International ISMN Agency wished to pursue closer collaboration with ISBN. Ronald, Beat and Stella have arranged to meet Hartmut to identify possible ISMN requirements.

2. Revision of ISBN Standard
The next step is for the Draft International Standard (DIS) to go out for ballot by the end of November 2015. Stella expects that the revised version of the draft should be ready in time for that as there would be a working group meeting on 23 October where final changes would be agreed.

Note: the text was finalised and released to ISO in early November on schedule and is awaiting the ballot to be issued by ISO.

3. Standard Numbering – 50th anniversary
Stella spoke about the reception being held at Frankfurt Book Fair to celebrate the fiftieth anniversary of standard book numbering. This will be held on the eve of the Fair, immediately after EDItEUR’s Supply Chain Seminar. An ISBN timeline and map of the spread of ISBN are in preparation. It was not now proposed to continue with a promotional video.

4. Date of Future Meetings
The next meeting is scheduled to be held on Thursday 14 April 2016, during London Book Fair. The room is to be confirmed.

Stella confirmed that for 2016 the Board has already accepted an offer from the Austrian ISBN Agency to host the AGM in Vienna. The agency is in the process of selecting the venue.