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REPORT of
The 13th IFLA Interlending and Document Supply Conference
Beijing, China
16 – 18 October 2013

- Reference to The Invitation of The Director of Peking University Library to participate The 13th IFLA Interlending and Document Supply Conference in Beijing, China from 16 – 18 October 2013.

- Reference to the notice of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs No. 007552 / MFA.AP. -1 Dated 08 October 2013 for permission to the government employees to participate The 13th IFLA Interlending and Document Supply Conference in Beijing, China from 16 – 18 October 2013.

According to the participating to this Conference, I would like to report to IFLA as follow:

The Opening Sessions

The 13th IFLA Interlending and Document Supply Conference is officially open on 09:00 of the 16 October 2013 at Yingjie Exchange Center Hall, Peking University, the People 's Republic of China, by a board committee of Mr. Pentti Vattulainen (Executive Committee of the International Society Library, the President of the departments of share information and meet the International Library Association (IFLA) ; Mr. Dawei Wei (Director of the National Library of China) and Mr. Zhipan Wu (Chair Executive Library and Information Systems Institute of Education, People 's Republic of China).

The Objective of 13th IFLA ILDS Conference was intended to expand the strategy of IFLA, especially the area of exchange, sharing and providing the knowledge and information to the public.

IFLA, the International Federation of Library Associations and Institutions is founded in 1927 and headquartered in The Hague, Netherlands. It is the most authoritative and influential professional non-governmental International organization consisting of more than 1600 library associations among 150 different countries.

Interlending and document supply is an integral part of IFLA's strategic plan and Key Initiatives. In addition, an important mission of ILDS committee is to organize the Interlending and Document Supply Conference every two years. The continuing development of technology and the increasing use of electronic resources make this conference an exciting opportunity for

the international communities to come together to discuss the delivery of quality services to users.

ILDS conference have been held of 12 times until now, the participants are mainly the curators and managers who are in charge of the interlending and document supply services from around the world's public libraries, professional libraries and university libraries.

This time is 13, there are 158 delegates from 22 countries (China, Laos, Nepal, Afghanistan, Pakistan, United States of America, England, France, Canada, Italy, Germany, Russia, South Africa, Finland, Norway, Denmark, Sweden, Netherlands, New Zealand, Australia, Spain and Saudi Arabia) to attend this Conference.

The Conference sessions

This Conference was held in 3 days, since the 16-18 October 2013. In the morning of 16th October 9:00 - 10:30 was a part of official opening ceremony, after that the speakers started to give us the presentations. Each presentation to have time of 20-25 minutes for presenting (in this 5 minutes for translation from English to Chinese and 10 minutes for Questions and Answers). During the 3 days by doing this conference, until time of 13:30 pm on 18 October 2013 the conference was formally closed.

In this Conference, the speakers was give us with 22 titles (presentations), which are compiled to 3 Major themes as:

1. Relying on library consortia to promote resource sharing : Global Vision and Local Strategy Practice.
2. The initiative of China Academic Library & Information System (CALIS) Interlibrary Loan and document delivery service Evaluation.
3. Innovative Construction of National Science and Technology Information Supporting System.

During the discussions with representatives comment from each country also had the comment of the questions and answers to issues that do not understand, summarizing the discussion that all three themes are related for each and is a major library information to be together as a central collection and the storage of archival knowledge and information, the intellectual heritage of the world 's part from which to serve the public. On the other hand, the borrowing between the libraries in international to promote the exchange and sharing of resources using the good thing, because in a storage area and budget to purchase books and other publications with the same content.

For developing country will not encounter problems and challenges, the opposite for under developing country still have problems and challenges, since the basic structure of the system to accommodate the installation, programming and database to use and install equipment, including materials and personnel with skills to operate. It also found the problems of copyright which must receive permission from the author or owner of books or information to be used. Together with the problems in this fiscal, specifically on how we pay for internet line on connection 24 hours for serving to the users.

However, in the closing ceremony, the president of the conference was asked to all participants to attend this conference to improve and develop of exchanging and sharing of information or library resources, to serve the people around the world, because it is a one of the themes of the strategy of the IFLA and the very important content of the vision and the role of the libraries and information institutions we need to perform.

Except the knowledge and experience that I got from the Conference, I got more the knowledge from the panels of the tour and the visits, I know more about the life style, society and culture in the China, especially the overview of the operation of the National Library such as the role, the vision and the mission of the National Library, include the Government Policy to get attention more to the libraries.

What will I can do after this Conference

I will share the information, knowledge and experience, that I gained from this conference to my colleagues, to the Director, the Leader and professional colleagues throughout the country, when we have the technical or academic workshops, seminars or trainings for the library staffs throughout the country. It will bring new ideas and knowledge to improve and develop the libraries (such as the collections, to have the knowledge and information of the diversity and abundance, there are services that can best meet the needs of the users).

To present the concept about the Interlending and Document Supply, that I gained from this conference to Director, Leader and professional colleagues. Write some projects for preserving and expanding our collection toward our network. To provide a qualified services to the users (public).

I wish to the library in Laos to be a center of intellectual heritage about Laos, about the world, move forward into the digital library, can be link to the network with libraries in Laos and throughout the world, to share the knowledge and information, provided the knowledge, information and open to the public, both the people who live in the urban area and marginalized people who are far away, regardless of gender, age, race and religion.

Additional comment

I express my grateful thanks to the Internaatinal Federation of Library Association (IFLA), that to give me an opportunity to attend this Conference ; and consistently I would like to give my grateful thanks to the board and the organizers of this conference as well as the host (especially the Executive Board and the Staff of the Peking University Library, China), which to give me the very warm welcome and the convenience for everything during this conference.

I wish to this Conference, as well as The IFLA to be a long life for giving a chance to many people in the world, especially to the librarians to get more idea, knowledge and experience in library professional and to know more about society, culture, life style and etc. that difference from their own country, to know each other and to make our world, our society to be a good society.

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