Library Buildings and Equipment Section Annual Report 2014

Mission

The Section considers all matters concerning the design and construction of all types of libraries in all parts of the world, including their furnishings and equipment. The Section aims to collect and disseminate knowledge about library buildings and equipment in order to increase knowledge among librarians and other relevant professions. The Section also aims to establish better contacts between librarians and architects by creating the conditions under which it will be possible for each of them to understand the other's professional approach to designing.

Membership

The Standing Committee has 15 members and 5 corresponding members from 10 countries. During the year we have updated our website in order to promote the Section and also worked on promoting membership at conferences and meetings considering the recommendations of the IFLA recruitment handbook.

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Meetings

A midyear meeting for planning and preparing for the WLIC 2014 Open Session in Lyon and the Satellite Conference in Paris preceding the WLIC took place in Chicago in February. During the midyear meeting the LBE SC members communicated with the members of the two other SC: s with which we were collaborating. Also during the meeting Library and Architectural tours in Chicago were undertaken.

Cooperation

The LBE SC has during the year worked together with Rare Books and Special Collections for the Open Session in Lyon and with Acquisition and Collection Development for the Satellite Conference in Paris

Professional

Activites

During the year the LBE SC has organized:

WLIC 2014 in Lyon Open Session – in collaboration with Rare Books and Special Collections and a Satellite Conference in Paris prior to the WLIC 2014 – in collaboration with Acquisition and Collection Development http://www.ifla.org/library-buildings-and-equipment/conferences-seminars

Information and projects

During the year the Questionnaire on Post-Occupancy Evaluation of Library Buildings (POE) has been published on the website. The POE is published in English, German and Spanish.

http://www.ifla.org/publications/questionnaire-on-post-occupancy-evaluation-of-library-buildings?og=61

The preparation for publishing the 2013 Singapore Satellite Conference Papers in an IFLA publications series book has started. The publication will take place during 2015.

The publication of the Newsletter has continued and during 2014 three issues has been published. http://www.ifla.org/publications/library-buildings-and-equipment-section-newsletters?og=61

Members of the LBE Section contributed to the IFLA Series Publication "The Green Library"