The financial result of the year 2020 shows a surplus of €293,495, compared to a surplus of €27,041 for 2019. The surplus for 2020 brings our general reserves to €1,831,861, and earmarked reserves to €70,217. These reserves are an important asset for IFLA to secure our work and sustainability into the future.

Financial year 2020 was a very special and challenging year on many levels. On a financial level, the impact of COVID-19 lead to the following major deviations in comparison with financial year 2019:

- The cancellation of IFLA's World Library Information Congress in Dublin lead to a loss of approx. € 160,000 due to costs charged by external parties for work and services performed for the conference. Furthermore, IFLA was not able to charge the yearly management fees of € 212,000 to the conference to cover for IFLA staff performing work for the conference.
- IFLA's consolidated income streams were approx. 60% lower, mainly due to 100% decrease of conference income because of the cancellation of the WLIC in Dublin in 2020 (WLIC 2019 approx. € 1,500,000 income for the conference). The Dutch Government recognized the need for financial aid which is based on the decrease in of group income and the amount of internal staff expenses, and this has led to financial aid to cover for staff expenses of approx. € 476,000. This amount has been recognised in the statement of income and expenditure of 2020. However, the Dutch Government still has to settle this aid and therefore caution is advised when considering the amount of financial aid that is included in the result.
- Other operating expenses of IFLA were lower in 2020 than in 2019 due to the impact of Covid-19 (travel restrictions, working from home worldwide, etc.). These lower operating expenses helped IFLA to compensate for the decrease in membership income. Members all over the world experienced a very difficult year and this can be recognized in the decrease in membership income.
- Thanks to long-term funding from the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation, IFLA was able to cover the staff expenses involved the International Advocacy programme. Furthermore, IFLA works strongly together with Stichting IFLA Global Libraries (SIGL) on projects primarily funded by the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation through its Legacy Grant and Data Grant. Therefore, IFLA's staff and overhead expenses are jointly carried between FLA and SIGL.

STATEMENT FROM THE TREASURER.

Without the Dutch Government special Covid-19 related financial aid of approx. € 476,000, IFLA would have a major deficit in 2020. Furthermore, it is thanks to the continuous support of IFLA's member organisations and individuals who support us through donations and hosting activities, and to the organisations that support our initiatives and projects through grant funding, that IFLA was able to present this positive financial report for 2020.

It remains uncertain what financial impact the Covid-19 pandemic will have in the coming years for both IFLA and its members worldwide. It remains important for IFLA to explore additional funding opportunities to ensure our ongoing viability.



BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2020.

(after appropriation of result)

ASSETS	31 Dec 2020		31 Dec 2019	
	€	€	€	€
Tangible Fixed Assets		25,630		25,176
Financial Fixed Assets		282,576		442,054
Current Assets Receivables Cash at bank and in hand	415,444 5,042,988		193,011 5,121,761	
		5,458,432		5,314,772
		5,766,638		5,782,002

LIABILITIES	31	31 Dec 2020		31 Dec 2019	
	€	€	€	€	
Equity					
Earmarked reserves	70,2	217	56,940		
General reserves	1,831,8	861	1,551,643		
		1,902,078		1,608,583	
Long-term liabilities					
Bill & Melinda Gates outsta	anding	1,327,139		1,481,415	
Current liabilities					
Deferred income	34,1	09	25,024		
Other liabilities	2,503,3	312	2,666,980		
		— 2,537,421		2,692,004	
		5,766,638		5,782,002	

	2020	2019
Income	€	€
Membership fees	728,122	775,537
Corporate Supporters	0	17,500
Dutch Government	16,000	16,000
Contributions Core Activities	62,926	44,794
Contributions Sage for Congress Grants	2,328	2,246
Contributions ARL for Congress Grants	0	1,500
Contributions ILN for Congress Grants	0	2,000
Sales of publications and royalties	32,018	33,014
Conference services fees	0	243,000
Management fees	13,000	13,000
Income vouchers scheme	20,999	43,274
Interest and other financial income	485	1,603
Result subsidiary IFLA Holding B.V.	0	0
Miscellaneous	7,382	11,671
Contributions Bill & Melinda Gates		
Foundation for Key Initiatives	273,205	463,573
Contributions Stichting IFLA Foundation		
for Key Initiatives	0	12,625
Wikicite Satellite Event Grant	8,270	0
Media Literacy Grant	14,285	0
Income Shawky Salem Training Fund	10,949	6
Income Margreet Wijnstroom Fund	0	680
	 1,189,959	1,682,023

STATEMENT OF INCOME AND EXPENDITURE FOR THE YEAR 2020.

	2020	2019
Expenditure	€	€
Conference costs	360	31,300
Meetings and office president costs	24,714	66,514
Regional Offices and Centres	-47	0
Professional Activities and Projects	36,242	52,384
Costs of publications (including free		
publications to members)	35,465	36,144
Staff expenses	288,758	870,006
Office expenses	18,119	20,655
Web and IT	30,142	29,904
Expenses voucher scheme	3,667	2,824
Result subsidiary IFLA Holding B.V.	159,478	46,152
Interest and other financial expenses	2,126	0
Miscellaneous	1,680	5,447
Expenses Congress Grants	0	4,205
Expenses Key Initiatives	273,205	476,198
Expenses Wikicite Satellite Event	8,270	0
Expenses Media Literacy	14,285	0
Expenses Shawky Salem Training Fund	0	1,742
Expenses Margreet Wijnstroom Fund	0	2,048
Expenses other IFLA Funds	0	9,459
	896,464	1,654,982
Results	293,495	27,041