



IFLA Management of Library Association Section (MLAS)

MLAS Standing Committee Meeting

Day/Time: 26 October 2020, 2– 3.30 p.m. CET

Type: Zoom Meeting

Participants: Dijana Machala , Marwa El Sahn, Ute Engelkenmeier, Susan Haigh, Loida Garcia Febo (Information Coordinator), Halo Locher (Chair), Chutima Sacchanand, Amy Burke, Hella Klauser (Secretary, Minutes), Alicia Ocaso-Ferreira, Mitsuhiro Oda, Randa Al Chidiac , Ana Carolina Lopez Scondras, Rauha Maarno, Amandine Jacquet, Chin Loy Jyoon, Magda Gomulka (SIG Convenor, New Professionals), Lidiette Quiros, Vanya Grashkina Pascal Sanz, Mikhael Afanasyev, Alim Garga, Evviva Weinraub Lajoie (SIG convenor Women, Information Libraries)

Excused: Karin Linder, Ruijuan Huo, Vadim Duda, Assane Fall

1. Welcome and Introductions (Halo, Chair)

The chair welcomes the participants. Almost the whole MLAS SC group is present in spite of the difficult time zones – the chair thanks for this engagement!

The participants agree to the agenda. Kristine Paberza will join at the end of the meeting to discuss the Library Map of the World (LMW).

2. Minutes Meeting 31 August 2020

Last meeting's minutes from August 31 are agreed upon with two modifications; the chair thanks the secretary.

3. Annual Report MLAS & SIG (Loida)

Loida explains the draft and new format of the annual report. She suggests to share the draft with all section members and asks them to add information to it.

Decision: The information coordinator will send the draft of the annual report via list serv and basecamp to all MLAS SC members. Everybody should have a close look and add information until November 9, 2020 and send it back to Loida.

4. News from Governing Board and Division Chair (Halo)

- Update of Action plans (Chair, all) – is it necessary/demanded?

As the section has to update its action plan, the chair suggests to have another meeting to prepare this: three actions were agreed upon.

Loida will take the lead on the first action: “Encourage present and past MLAS SC members to impulse the creation of the “Country Profile” (CP) of their respective country in the Library Map of the World (LMW)“.



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The 2nd action concerns the planned satellite meeting in Rotterdam 2021 on social media use in library associations and has to be updated because the WLIC 2021 will be virtual. The 3rd action relates to inactive IFLA members: “MLAS will contact members of the associations who have not paid their contribution to IFLA in order to win them back for the association.”

- General Assembly

IFLA’s General Assembly 2020 is planned for 5th of Nov. 2020 as a virtual meeting, because travelling is very difficult because of Corona.

- WLIC 2021-23 and consequences:

IFLA HQ has launched a survey to its members to learn more about what they expect from a virtual WLIC in 2021. Ideas for new formats are needed to make the WLIC as informative and attractive as a real meeting. Different time zones, lacking possibilities for small and informal meetings and duration of sessions, insufficient technical equipment. (connectivity problems, time zones) may be difficult. MLAS can nevertheless start its preparations for the content of what topic we want to present. Rauha hesitates to turn the planned session from 2020 into a virtual session in 2021: staff and money for technical support is lacking, we are not experienced enough in virtual formats in an international context. Amandine refers to an online conference in Quebec and sends the link to the French speaking conference CPI:

<https://congrescpi.com/programme/> and Registration : <https://congrescpi.com/tarifs/>

For our planning it will be helpful to know first what IFLA is planning for 2021. We need a platform from IFLA and technical support, before we can plan our open session. Loida reports that as information coordinators they had a session with IFLA HQ on this planning, but Loida thinks that the sections themselves have to run planned webinars themselves. Ute agrees to take care of running a platform which would be provided by IFLA.

We stop the work for a conference session and for a satellite meeting, because we are technically not capable. But we will give our energy to find a solution. But: if IFLA organizes a conference and we have to pay for it, then IFLA has to care for the technical issues – IFLA is responsible for it. Very expensive as well, and we will probably come to a crisis – more discussion in the GB in December.

- 5. **MLAS Zoom Conferences, Attachment** (Hella/work group)

Presentation and discussion: the 3rd format is kind of an open session like for Rotterdam. The survey (Susan) could be a topic to be discussed. Think of the time zones, perhaps



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Prepare a list of topics of our associations to be discussed during the meetings to see what is going on in the associations.

Amy, Loida, Pascal, hella (Lead). Which topic and when? 3rd idea for a topic: association meetings within the associations.

6. Inactive Members (Halo/all): Allocation of previously uncontacted members

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7. IFLA Division IV Webinar Series for LIS students (Attachment/Loida & Hella)

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8. Miscellaneous (all)

- **State of affairs: Survey formation needs of associations** (Susan)

The survey is ready to be rolled out, it is ready in different languages. List of email of associations from HQ to inform – send it out from IFLA membership . How to access the results of the survey etc. Working Group (Loida, Susan, Kristina,) also mailing list from MLAS can announce the survey – Susan will send the invitation to the group and everybody decides if they want to join.

Next meeting: 23 Nov. 2020 via Zoom

- Next meeting, December 22th: Shared reading session (a Christmas Gift by the chair)
- Idea from Liverpool, was changed to virtual
- **Midterm Meeting Paris**
Salon du Livre postponed to
 1. 17./18.3. in March: keep the original date
 2. 26/27 of May with Salon du Livre
 3. Replace the meeting with a virtual meetingWe keep the march date and decide later if it will be in real or virtual
- Mission Statement / Website
- Others

9. SDG: Contribution and Information by HQ (Kristine Paberza)

LMW, next years SDGs priorities, virtual storytelling workshop- Kristin will send her slides before and we will talk about it during our next meeting Nov 23.

10. Closing remarks (Halo)

Halo shows a map with the different time zones of our MLAS SC members. He closes the meeting with thanks to all.