



ACTION PLAN for Professional Units -- Serials and Other Continuing Resources

Objectives of Professional Unit 2017/18:

- 1. Monitor, report, disseminate and promote national and international standards and the importance of best practices in scholarly communication and continuing resources including e-resources**
Connects to IFLA Strategic Direction 1 Libraries in Society key initiative (*Promoting IFLA Standards*)
Connects to IFLA Strategic Direction 2: Information and Knowledge key initiative (*A Sustainable Information Environment and An Equitable Copyright Framework*)
Connects to IFLA Strategic Direction 3: Cultural Heritage key initiative (*Preservation of Cultural Heritage*)
Connects to IFLA Strategic Direction 4: Capacity Building key initiative Capacity Building (*International Advocacy Programme*)
- 2. Monitor, raise awareness and promote resolution of national and international issues related to copyright, open access and other scholarly communication matters**
Connects to IFLA Strategic Direction 1 Libraries in Society key initiative (*Promoting IFLA Standards and Changing Attitudes and Perceptions*)
Connects to IFLA Strategic Direction 2: Information and Knowledge key initiative (*A Sustainable Information Environment and An Equitable Copyright Framework*)
Connects to IFLA Strategic Direction 3: Cultural Heritage key initiative (*Preservation of Cultural Heritage*)
Connects to IFLA Strategic Direction 4: Capacity Building key initiative Capacity Building (*International Advocacy Programme*)
- 3. Attract, involve and retain members from all parts of the scholarly communications and continuing resources information chain thereby raising the profile of the Serials and Other Continuing Resources Section of IFLA**
Connects to IFLA Strategic Direction 2: Information and Knowledge key initiative (*An Equitable Copyright Framework*)
Connects to IFLA Strategic Direction 3: Cultural Heritage key initiative (*Preservation of Cultural Heritage*)
Connects to IFLA Strategic Direction 4: Capacity Building key initiative (*International Advocacy Programme and Enhanced Regional Presence*)

1. Promote the importance of best practices in serials and other continuing resources including e-resources

Project or Activity	1.1. Plan and organise conference programmes which will promote best practices in serials and other continuing resources	
Main Tasks	1.1a. Standing committee members with responsibility for planning and organising conference or meeting programmes to select appropriate topics and papers for WLIC 2018	1.1b. Standing committee members to work with Science and Technology Libraries Section to create joint programme for WLIC 2017
Responsibilities and timeline	<p>Chair and Secretary of SOCR are responsible for setting up programme subcommittee and schedule for specific activities to meet deadlines set by IFLA.</p> <p>Members of programme subcommittee to set up program and report back to SC at designated meetings (conference calls)</p> <p>Engage with other sections or special interest groups which might share a common interest in the topic of the SOCRS open programme</p> <p>Information Coordinator will ensure maximum exposure via all avenues appropriate at times set in schedule.</p>	<p>Members to be assigned to Joint SC team organizing the programme</p> <p>Members of Joint SC team to report back to SC at designated meetings (conference calls)</p> <p>Information Coordinator will ensure maximum exposure via all avenues appropriate at times set in schedule.</p>

Resources		
Communications	Programme will be submitted for inclusion in conference programme when appropriate and is advertised on SOCRS webpage, blog, Facebook page and listserv, as well as through other appropriate avenues for communication	Programme will be submitted for inclusion in conference programme when appropriate and is advertised on SOCRS webpage, blog, Facebook page and listserv, as well as through other appropriate avenues for communication
Measures of Success	Appropriate conference open programmes are discussed, scheduled, arranged and delivered Deadlines all met for 2017-18 Numbers of attendees and positive evaluation forms Papers resulting from presentations are deposited in IFLA Library	Appropriate conference programme is discussed, scheduled, arranged and delivered Deadlines all met for 2017-18 Numbers of attendees and positive evaluation forms Papers resulting from presentation are deposited in IFLA Library
Progress		

Project or Activity	1.2 Facilitate and provide access to documentation and information on professional issues relating to scholarly communications and continuing resources		1.3 Develop the SOCR webpages, blog and lists and maximize their potential uses for disseminating information and fostering dialogue	1.4 Broaden the audience for Serials and Other Continuing Resources publications and outputs by investigating the provision of non-English language versions of core Section documents and information.
Main Tasks	1.2a. Identify resources (standards and best practices) and set up a web page from which we can link to them	1.2b. Work with the Science and Technology Libraries Section to develop Best Practice documentation as discussed at WLIC 2017	1.3a Update SOCR website and encourage use of blog and listserv throughout the year	1.4a Translate certain documents into another language and gauge the value to our stakeholders
Responsibilities and timeline	<p>SC to assign a section member to serve as lead on this project in advance of the first section conference call</p> <p>SC to assign the gathering of links for these resources</p>	<p>SC to assign a section member to serve as liaison with STLS in managing this project</p> <p>SC to provide any and all assistance and work as determined by project</p>	<p>SC identifies topics for blog posts and listserv discussions within two weeks after the first section conference call</p> <p>SC advertises goal of listserv as a forum for discussion and information sharing; actively</p>	<p>SC to identify documents and languages by first section conference call</p> <p>SC to have recruited translators by first section conference call</p> <p>Translators to have</p>

	<p>to members based on geography and subject matter expertise within 2 weeks after the first section conference call</p> <p>SC members to have shared links with rest of the SC within two weeks after the second conference call</p> <p>Web page with links live by 1 August 2018</p>	<p>leads to ensure that some primary documentation is ready and published on the section website before WLIC 2018</p>	<p>recruits stakeholders who have not done so already to sign up</p> <p>SC initiates first listserv discussion within four weeks after the first section conference call</p> <p>SC identifies plan and process to enable blogging on topics identified by the section within two weeks after the first section conference call</p>	<p>completed translations by 1 June, 2018</p> <p>Translations to have been posted to website by 1 August, 2018</p> <p>Feedback on value and usage to be gauged using listserv and web traffic analytics as available</p>
Resources				
Communications	<p>Existence of new web page is actively promoted through all avenues of communication</p>	<p>Existence of this documentation is actively promoted through all avenues of communication</p>		
Measures of Success		<p>Documentation validated by both sections and freely available on the web</p>	<p>All SOCRS webpages are up to date and the blog and listservs are active</p>	<p>Translations are available on our website</p> <p>SC has determined the value of non-English versions of documents</p>

				based on feedback
Progress				

2. Monitor, raise awareness and promote resolution of national and international issues related to copyright, open access and other related scholarly communication matters

Project or Activity	2.1 Encourage development of awareness of issues through encouraging submissions for papers for conference, mobilizing committee members to advocate in their own regions and highlighting issues on our webpages
Main Tasks	2.1a Promote use of all SC forums for communication and discussion for these topics
Responsibilities and timeline	SC programme subcommittee to encourage papers on these topics SC to initiate listserv discussions on these topics SC to post on these topics on its blog SC to plan celebration of Open Access Week 2018
Resources	
Communications	
Measures of Success	Papers are presented on pertinent topics, blog posts are written on these topics, listserv discussions are initiated on these topics
Progress	

3. Attract, involve and retain members from all parts of the Serials and Other Continuing Resources information chain thereby raising the profile of the Serials and Other Continuing Resources Section of IFLA

Project or Activity	3.1. All SC members to act as advocates in their regions, inviting greater involvement in IFLA and SOCR	3.2. Invite people who expressed interest in the SOCRS at the 2017 WLIC to become corresponding members of the section	3.3. Change the name of the section to Scholarly Communication and Continuing Resources Section to reflect the changes in the nature of the section's work	3.4. Use listserv to initiate discussion and debate on "Hot topics" / "Issues of concern" with scholarly communications and continuing resource practitioners, where the IFLA SOCR Section may be able to raise awareness or facilitate a resolution.
Main Tasks				

Responsibilities and timeline	<p>All SC members to promote conference programme, blog posts and listserv as forum for discussions</p> <p>SC members to reach out especially to under represented parts of the serial information chain</p>	<p>Using Section listserv, all SC members discuss possible corresponding members.</p> <p>SOCRS Chair and Information Coordinator contact potential corresponding members to gauge interest in section and send invitation to become corresponding members.</p> <p>Complete all tasks by October 15, 2017</p>	Follow up on the request for this change submitted to IFLA at WLIC 2017	<p>SC to identify and choose topics for listserv discussions</p> <p>Chair and Information Coordinator to agree appropriately worded email to encourage participation and wider debate, in the hope of stimulating interest and informing future conference programme topic planning by SOCR</p> <p>At SOCR's conference program, invite attendees to attend section meeting.</p> <p>Hold at least two mid-year conference calls to engage with currents and gather their input.</p>
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Communications			Once approved, share this change through all avenues of communication.	
Measures of	More active	Positive responses to invitation to become	Increased interest in the section with a	

Success	<p>participation in SOCR blog, and listservs.</p> <p>Wider involvement and increased participation in SOCR from currently under represented parts of the Continuing Resources and Scholarly Communication information chain e.g. Publishers, Agents, aggregators, licensing bodies</p>	corresponding members	name which better reflects the nature of the work it represents in the library and information field	
Progress				