Monaco

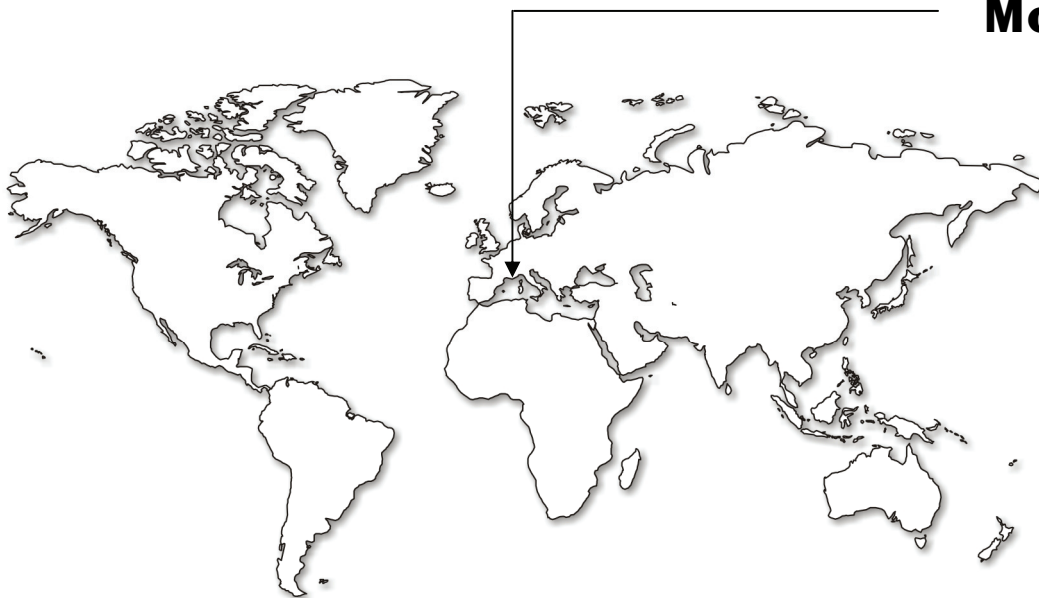**Responding institution:**
Médiathèque Louis Notari

This is the first time Monaco has responded to the IFLA/FAIFE questionnaire. There are 2 public libraries and 3 school libraries, as well as 1 government-funded research library: the Princess Grace Irish Library.

Internet penetration is high, with 53.8% of the population being Internet users. Some 41-60% of the public libraries and 81-100% of the school libraries provide Internet access to their users. In the libraries where access is provided, it is free of charge. The state has not made extra funding available to improve Internet access in libraries in the last two years.

The respondent has indicated that very little local content is available on the Internet and that very little content is available in local languages. The literacy rate is given as 100%.

Although the library association is in favour of filtering information on the Internet to a certain extent (e.g. for children), filtering software is not widely used in libraries. Users are expected to abide by the user's code that prohibits access to some sites.

The library association has not adopted the IFLA Internet Manifesto or the Glasgow Declaration, and no code of ethics has been adopted.

User privacy and anti-terror legislation

No anti-terror legislation has been passed. It is felt that keeping user records would affect the freedom of expression of the individual Internet library user.

Reported incidents/violations of intellectual freedom in the past two years

The respondent has indicated that no incidents have occurred in the last two years that adversely affected the freedom of access to information or the freedom of expression. There have also been no third-party reports on violations of intellectual freedom in Monaco.

HIV/Aids awareness

Libraries in Monaco raise awareness of HIV/Aids through the posting and distribution of leaflets.

Women and freedom of access to information

Libraries in Monaco have no special programmes that focus on the promotion of women's literacy, as it is not a problem in this country.

IFLA Internet Manifesto

The IFLA Internet Manifesto has not been adopted.

IFLA Glasgow Declaration on Libraries, Information Services and Intellectual Freedom

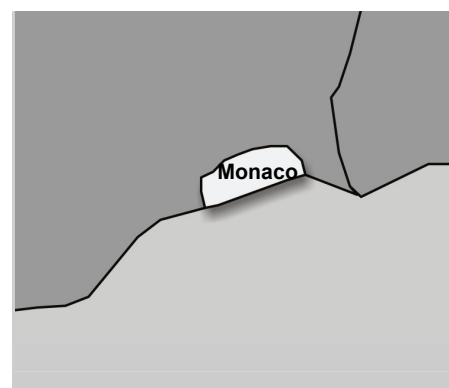The Glasgow Declaration has not been adopted.

Ethics

The respondent has indicated that the library association has not adopted a code of ethics, but that it is an idea to submit to the authorities.

Main indicators

Country name: Monaco
Population: 32 671 (July 2007 est.)
Main language: French (official), English, Italian, Monegasque
Literacy: 99%
Literacy reported by respondent: 100%

Population figures, language and literacy are from the
CIA World Factbook, 2007 edition
(https://www.cia.gov/library/publications/the-world-factbook/index.html).

Libraries and Internet access

Monaco participated for the first time in the IFLA/FAIFE World Report in 2007. No comparisons can therefore be made with previous reports.

Library services

Estimated number of public libraries*:	2
Estimated number of school libraries:	3
Estimated number of university libraries:	No data provided
Estimated number of government-funded research libraries:	1 "
Source of these numbers:	No data provided

Internet access

Population online**:	18 000 Internet users as of March 2007 (53.8%)
Percentage of public libraries offering Internet access to users:	41-60%
Percentage of school libraries offering Internet access to users:	81-100%
Percentage of university libraries offering Internet access to users:	No data provided
Percentage of government-funded research libraries offering Internet access to users:	No data provided
In your estimate, how much local content*** is available on the Internet:	Very little
To what degree is content on the Internet available in local languages:	Very little
Is the library association in favour of filtering information on library Internet terminals:	Yes, to a certain degree
Is the use of filtering software widespread in your country's libraries:	No
Is it free of charge for library users to access the Internet on library computers:	Yes, in all libraries
Has the state or other library authorities made any extra funding available for Internet access in the library system of your country in the last two years:	No

* Public library service points, including branch libraries.
** Online population numbers are from Internet World Stats (www.internetworldstats.com).
*** Local content is defined as content that originates in the country.