



## The Social Science Libraries Section is moving to full use of Social Media.

“With the design and implementation of its new website in 2009, IFLA follows modern communication trends and wants to stimulate new forms of news dissemination. Therefore the main professional communication channel for the Sections needs to shift from the traditional newsletters in print and PDF to the active use and maintenance of the Sections’ web pages under the IFLA domain

and the use of social media, such as blogging, Twitter, Facebook, LinkedIn and other relevant platforms by the Sections...” The Social Science Libraries Community includes the following sites:

[IFLA Social Science Libraries Blog](#)

[IFLA Social Science Libraries](#)

[Photographs](#)

[IFLA Social Science Libraries Global](#)

[Forum](#)

[IFLA Social Science Libraries](#)

["Connections"](#)

**BLOG - if you haven't already checked out the Blog, please do so. This will become the primary way for the Social Science Libraries Section to interact with our Standing Committee and our Section on topics of interest.**

**And, for Photographs there is a Flickr site for capturing our activities.**

**Our Global Forum is on Facebook and waiting for you to join in and become a part of this family of colleagues.**

**Additionally, the network to serve us in our professional connections is our LinkedIn site.**

**Start blogging, adding photos, creating or joining up with the Facebook site in our Global Forum and Connect through LinkedIn. Make this the year for communicating and building our community!**

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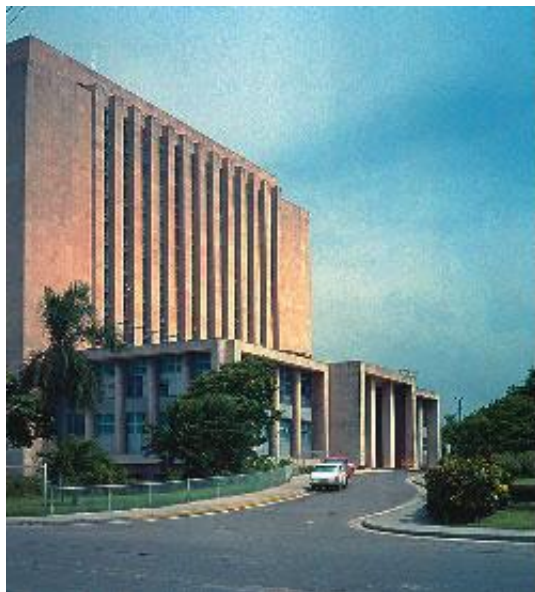
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**Social Science Libraries Standing Committee Meetings, Puerto Rico**

**See Draft Agenda Page 4 & Bring with you to the Meetings!**

**Saturday 13 August 2011  
SC I – 9.15 – 11.45 Room 208c**

**Thursday 18 August 2011  
SC II – 11.30 – 13.30 Room 102a**



## Social Science Libraries Section Satellite Conference Havana, Cuba 8-10 August 2011

### **IFLA Satellite Conference - Social Science Libraries: A Bridge to Knowledge for Sustainable Development**

The Social Science Libraries Section of IFLA will hold a satellite conference from August 8-10, 2011 in Havana, Cuba. The theme of the conference, **Social**

**Science Libraries: A Bridge to Knowledge for Sustainable Development** will provide librarians and library workers with an opportunity to share and develop best practices relating to the digital library of the future and its place as a driver for sustainable development.

Please join us when the Social Science Libraries Section of IFLA holds a satellite conference from August 8-10, 2011 in Havana, Cuba. The theme of the conference, **Social Science Libraries: A Bridge to Knowledge for Sustainable Development** will provide librarians and library workers with an opportunity to share and develop best practices relating to the digital library of the future and its place as a driver for sustainable development.

The disciplines of the social sciences have made fundamental contributions to the understanding of the economic, political and social life of nations in the past century. Social sciences now have an important role to play in the context of the information society as significant sources of academic and social knowledge, and more importantly, for their contribution in defining and guiding strategies for change in public policy and in citizen participation. The proliferation of digital information supports and strengthens economic, social, and political development providing the tools needed by citizens and policymakers to understand the problems they must address and the possible solutions to those problems.

- [PRELIMINARY PROGRAM](#)
- [REGISTRATION INFORMATION FOR NON-U.S. CITIZENS](#)
- [REGISTRATION INFORMATION FOR U.S. CITIZENS](#)

Please note the conference will be limited to approximately 60 participants.

The conference venue is the *National Library of Cuba José Martí*.



## Libraries beyond libraries; integration, innovation and information for all

Social Science Libraries Section  
Conference Session 142

*Congress track 5: Ideas, innovations, anticipating the new*

Tuesday 16 August 2011 13:45 - 15:45 | Room: Grand Salon B | SI

- [Knowledge management for social science information: organizational and technical solutions to bridging disciplinary structures](#)  
STEVEN W. WITT (University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, Champaign, IL, USA)
- [Plugging the whole: librarians as interdisciplinary facilitators](#)  
JEFFREY KNAPP (Penn State Altoona, Altoona, PA, USA)
- [Iniciativas regionales multidisciplinarias de acceso abierto a la producción científica de América Latina y el Caribe: contribución a la investigación interdisciplinaria en las ciencias sociales](#)  
MARIA E. DORTA-DUQUE ORTIZ (Instituto Superior de Relaciones Internacionales, "Raúl Roa García", Havana, Cuba) and DOMINIQUE BABINI (Consejo Latinoamericano de Ciencias Sociales (CLACSO), Buenos Aires, Argentina)
- [Les bibliothèques de théologie: interdisciplinarité et outils](#)  
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## Welcome New Standing Committee Members

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**DRAFT AGENDA: San Juan, Puerto Rico 2011**

**Social Science Libraries Standing Committee Meetings**

**Saturday 13 August 2011 SC I (9:15-11:45) – Social Science Libraries Section**  
**Thursday, 18 August 2011 SC II (11:30-13:00) – Social Science Libraries Section**

Saturday, 13 August 2011 – Evening Caucuses  
(See Main IFLA Program for your specific country caucus)

Tuesday, 16 August 2011 (13:45 – 15:45) – Social Science Libraries Section Program  
*Congress track 5: Ideas, innovations, anticipating the new. Room: Grand Salon B | SI*  
***“Libraries beyond libraries; integration, innovation and information for all”***

**Draft Agenda:**

1. Welcome and Introduction Members and Guests
2. Convening of Meeting
  - a. Apologies
  - b. Adoption of Agenda
3. Review and Approval of Minutes of the Standing Committee Meetings in Gothenburg, Sweden (Meetings of 10 and 14 August 2010)
  - Matters arising from these minutes
4. Report from Division Meetings (L Rudasill)
5. Financial Report (L Cooper)
6. Accomplishments of Soc Sci Standing Committee (L Rudasill)
  - a. Report on Havana, Cuba Satellite Meeting (L Rudasill)
  - b. Other
7. San Juan, Puerto Rico Program 2011 Theme – “Libraries beyond Libraries: Integration, Innovation and Information for ALL” (L Rudasill and L Cooper)
8. Old Business
9. Program for IFLA 2012, Helsinki, Finland 11 – 16 August (Theme - “Libraries Now! ...inspiring...surprising...empowering”)
10. Program Ideas for IFLA 2013, Site (TBD)
11. Social Science Section Annual Review
12. Social Science Section Strategic Plan
13. Communications Report
  - a. Newsletter (W Newman)
  - b. Listserve (W Newman)
  - c. Leaflet and Translation Status (L Cooper)
  - d. Update on IFLANET SOCSOCI Website <http://www.ifla.org/en/social-science-libraries> (W Newman) and move to Social Media
14. Reports on Conference Sessions
15. Discussion of Section Projects & Strategic Planning
  - a. Edited Volume Havana, Cuba 2011 Satellite Meeting
  - b. Other



## World Library and Information Congress: 78<sup>th</sup> IFLA General Conference and Assembly 11 – 16 August 2012

**Theme: Libraries now! Inspiring...surprising...empowering**

### Helsinki – a city connecting east and west

Helsinki is the capital of Finland and home to half a million people – a city between west and east.

The Helsinki metropolitan area is very much the information-technology centre of Finland. Finns pioneered cell phone technology and the government was the first in the world to declare broadband internet access a human right. Of course libraries have been at the forefront of such changes, with free internet access for many years now. Over 60 percent of Finns have a post-comprehensive school qualification, and one in three has a university degree.

Helsinki has a well founded reputation for design and innovation and it has been nominated World Design Capital for 2012 – the same year as the 200<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Helsinki as the capital of Finland. Come and celebrate with us!

The IFLA conference venue is the Helsinki Exhibition and Convention Centre. The venue is centrally located and thanks to the effective public transport system, is easily reached from the city centre.

#### **Finland**

*Independent republic since 1917, member of the European Union*

Population: 5.4 million

Size: 338,000 sq km, 7<sup>th</sup> largest country in Europe

Official languages: Finnish and Swedish

Temperature in August: max. +24, min. +9, mean +16 degrees Celsius

**The World Library and Information Congress 2012, 78<sup>th</sup> IFLA General Conference and Assembly, will take place at the [Helsinki Exhibition & Convention Centre](#) in Helsinki, Finland.**



Contemporary libraries have to fulfill many Roles. They must meet the increasingly diverse needs of users, while remaining repositories of knowledge and culture. Because of their rich and varied content, libraries have always had great potential to inspire and surprise. They are a gateway to wisdom found on the shelves, accessed through the net, or via the media. But today's information age challenges libraries to create new content and to interact in new ways with users.

Libraries are symbols of human progress and continue to empower individuals and communities by offering access to information, knowledge and education. They remain relevant by helping people of all ages and occupations make sense of the world around them and promote social and political participation. Libraries across the globe are a vital structural part of life-long learning, and continue to be central in overcoming information barriers.

As the pace of life quickens, libraries are competing for a shrinking slice of people's time and attention. The internet has replaced much of the work traditionally undertaken by libraries. The way we seek out information has also changed; now we Google; we consult friends and colleagues through social media; and move from group to group freely and voluntarily. To survive successfully in this new challenging era, libraries need to embrace the future, and to inspire, surprise, and empower!



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## This year and beyond ...

We have an exciting year as we prepare for the IFLA Social Science Libraries Satellite Conference in Havana, Cuba, 8 – 10 August 2011 on *Social Science Libraries: A Bridge to Knowledge for Sustainable Development*. And, as we continue on to San Juan, Puerto Rico and the 77<sup>th</sup> IFLA World Library and Information Congress: General Conference and Assembly, 13 – 18 August 2011, our main program on Tuesday 16 August, in keeping with this year's theme, is "Libraries beyond libraries; integration, innovation and information for all."

Our Standing Committee has had a busy year, not just with conference planning, as noted, but also the IFLA elections. This year we welcome 10 new members to the committee. Congratulations to all of them, as well as the committee members that have been working hard to increase our visibility and numbers and the country diversity in our group.

We have also embarked on moving forward in Social Media forums, as is addressed elsewhere in this newsletter. Besides our Newsletter and Blog, set up some months ago, we have a Flickr account, Facebook page, and a LinkedIn Group. Let's make this work and work well as we continue to make our presence known and move forward with the IFLA Headquarters Office in developing IFLA in Social Media. (page 1)

Don't forget to bring a copy of this issue with you to our Standing Committee Meetings scheduled for Saturday and Thursday. (page 1)

From the Editor,  
**Wilda Newman**

