## **SCATNews**

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#### Letter from the Chair

Since writing to you last, we lost our dear colleague, Zlata Dimeç. She passed away on February 18, 2002. I know many of us sent condolences to her family. Even through the last months of her life, she was an active email participant in many of our Section Working Group activities, and in the past offered helpful suggestions about the Guidelines for Authority References and Records and the Form and Structure of Corporate Headings. We will sincerely miss her good advice, counsel, and friendship.

Glasgow will soon be here! It will be a busy week. To get your planning started, I want to remind you of the meetings of our Section and related sessions where you are invited to attend. Your participation in our Section activities is always important to the success of our efforts.

I hope you signed up for the "Tattoo" in Edinburgh for Thursday evening, August 22 – it's a drum and bagpipe marching band and should be a lot of fun.

Our first business meeting unfortunately is scheduled over lunch time, 11:30-14:20, Saturday, August 17, 2002. You may want to bring your lunch! The second business meeting is scheduled for Friday, August 23 from 8:00-10:00 – apologies

for the early morning hour. We had no control over the times, but I apologize anyway. The Draft agenda for those meetings is included with this newsletter as is the latest financial report. Updates to these documents will be handed out (along with an updated membership list) at our first business meeting. Please bring your ideas about our Strategic Plan and activities you think we should initiate for this next year.

You are also encouraged to attend the Division IV – Bibliographic Control Open Forum on Tuesday morning of the Conference (August 20, 11:15-13:45) to hear updates and news of the Section activities from our Section, as well as the Section on Bibliography, and the Section on Classification and Indexing.

Please also mark your calendars for our Section's Open Programme, Wednesday, August 21, from 11:15-13:45. I want to thank Gunilla Jonsson for coordinating this program and to those of you who helped with translating the papers. I know your colleagues will be very grateful to have the translations. Our Secretary, Gunilla Jonsson, also has provided a schedule of our business and working group meetings, programmes, and workshops for your information.

During the week our Working Groups will meet, and we will hear their reports at the Friday (August 23, 8:00am) business meeting of our Section. At Glasgow we will be launching a new Working Group on FRBR (chair Patrick LeBoeuf), that will help us achieve one of our strategic plans to further FRBR development and encourage its use. As you recall, the Working Group on the Use of Metadata Schemes (chair Lynne Howarth) has been busy comparing notes about the elements, and we are expecting great things from them for the Glasgow meeting. We look forward to a report from the OPAC Display Group (chair

Lynne Howarth) and the Working Group on Multilingual Dictionary of Cataloguing Terms and Concepts (chair Monika Münnich). Although promised for last year, we still hope to see the Anonymous Classics, Part 1 (chair Nadine Boddaert) for our review and then publication on demand.

During three ad hoc meetings this past year, our Conference Planning Group continues to make progress on the series of international meetings of cataloguing experts to discuss the future cataloging rules. You will remember the first one will be held in Frankfurt, Germany during the last week of July 2003 before the Berlin IFLA conference. The Deutsche Bibliothek has graciously agreed to host the meeting. We hope to have future meetings in other parts of the world beyond Europe to seek consensus on direction for closer harmonization of our rules (perhaps before the meeting in South America with their cataloging experts and before the Seoul, Korea meeting for discussions with Asian cataloging experts).

During May in London, the FRANAR Working Group met with consultant, Tom Delsey to extend the FRBR model into the realm of "Group 2" entities – person and corporate bodies. That meeting was very productive, and a new draft entity-relationship model was recently distributed to the Working Group for their comment and discussion in Glasgow.

The proof of concept project continues to develop for the first stage of a Virtual International Authority File (VIAF) with the Deutsche Bibliothek, the Library Congress, and OCLC. You will recall that this is one of many models that might be explored to further our new view of Universal Bibliographic Control to address needs of users, enabling the display of languages and scripts that the user can read. This stage will test linking personal name authority records using, first using software developed by OCLC for linking the retrospective records, and later to maintain the virtual files using OAI (Open Archive Initiative) protocols to harvest the metadata for new, updated, and deleted records.

Congratulations to the ISBD Review Group for two more updated ISBDs! Thanks also to those of you who responded to the ballots for ISBD(M) - monographs and ISBD(CR)continuing resources (that replaces the ISBD(S) - serials). We now have your approval, and the publications have gone to press incorporating most of your comments. Thanks are also due to the ISBD Review Group itself and the members of the Working ISBD(S) Group for the contributions to these updates. As John Byrum, the ISBD Review Group chair notes, particular thanks goes to Dorothy McGarry for her major work on this particular revision of ISBD(M) and to Bob August of the Library of Congress for his devotion of an enormous amount of time and energy toward the production of the text in machine-readable form. A major thanks also to Ingrid Parent, chair of the Working Group on ISBD(S) and to her fine team during the several years of dedicated service towards harmonizing the ISBD(CR) with the ISSN and AACR communities. We now look forward to seeing them in print and eventually on IFLANet!

SPECIAL REMINDER: Our Section is sponsoring the workshop on "continuing resources" for Glasgow to be held from 12:15-15:45 on Thursday, August 22. Please join us! Also that morning will be the Workshop sponsored by the Section on Bibliography – check you conference programmes for the time and place.

The ISBD Review Group with funding from OCLC has also directed a study of the ISBD(ER)- electronic resources, and will be making changes building on recommendations of the consultant, Ann Sandberg-Fox. Thanks again to those of you who responded to her informal survey.

See you in Glasgow!



Friday 16 Division Coordinating Board 14.00-18.00 la McIlwaine	
Saturday 17 SCAT, meeting 1 11.30-14.20 Barbara Tillett	
Sunday 18 Metadata discussion group 08.30-10.20	
Sunday 18 FRANAR meeting 09.00-17.00 Glenn Patton Orkney	
Newcomers' session w/ officers	
Sunday 18 13.00-14.20 IFLA Hdqtrs.	
Sunday 18 Exhibition opening party 17.00-20.00 Exhibit area	
Monday 19 Opening ceremony 09.30-11.10	
Monday 19 ISBD review group 12.00-14.30 John Byrum Hebrides	
Monday 19 IFLA SC Cat at IFLA booth 13.00-14.00 Exhibit area	
Monday 19 Wg on Metadata schemes 14.30-16.00 Lynne Howarth Orkney	
Monday 19 FRBR wg 15.00-1700 Patrick Le-Boeuf Rockall	
Monday 19 Civic reception 19.30-23.00 Glasgow Civic Cent	re
Tuesday 20 FRBR wg 08.30-11.00 Patrick Le-Boeuf Malin	
Tuesday 20 Division activities update 11.15-13-45 la McIlwaine	
Tuesday 20 Planning for intl. cat.conf. 2003 14.00-16.00 Barbara Tillett Malin	
Tuesday 20 Concert (Glasgow) 19.45-21.45 Royal Concert Hall	
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Day 21 Open session, Bibliography 14.00.16.30 Stoklashova	
Thursday 22 Workshop, Bibliography 08.30-12.00 Kirsten Waneke	
Thursday 22 Workshop, Class./Index. & Cat. 11.30-16.00 la McIlwaine offsite	
Thursday 22 Workshop, SCAT & Serials 12.15-15-45 Paul Bunn	
Thursday 22 Reception (Edinburgh) 18.00-? Nat. Museums of So	cotland
Thursday 22 Tattoo (tickets required) 20.00-22.00	
Friday 22 SCAT, meeting 2 08.00-10.00 Barbara Tillett	
Friday 22 Division Coordinating board 12.20-14.00 la McIlwaine	
Friday 22 Closing ceremony 14.00-15.30	

More news to prepare for Glasgow (from the National Organising Committee) SECC Scottish **Exhibition Conference Centre** 

Weather



August is the warmest month of the year, but the average daily maximum is only 19° Something warmer to wear in the evenings is advisable and an umbrella might well be useful.

### Transportation

From the Airport

Glasgow international airport is about 20-30 minutes by road from the city center. On Friday 16, Saturday 17, and Sunday 18 August, Prestige Yours Ltd. Will operate a 'Meet and Greet' service at the airport for Coaches will operate a shuttle IFLA. service between the airport and 'official' hotels and will also take participants who made private accommodation arrangements to a central city point.

#### During the Conference

Prestige Tours will operate coach services to city center hotels after our evening Sunday and receptions on Monday evenings, and from the concert hall back to the SECC after the Tuesday evening concert

#### Train passes

Glasgow has an excellent low-level railway system and all full-time participants will receive a free 6-day travel pass. system links the SECC to the city center, with approximately 4 trains per hour and the journey itself taking only about 5 minutes.

#### Social Events

#### Sunday 18 August

Exhibition Opening Party to be held in the exhibition area with drinks and canapés. 17.00-20.00

#### Monday 19 August

Civic Reception to be hosted by the Lord Provost of Glasgow at the Science Centre newly opened in 2001 and a very short walk across the river Clyde by footbridge from the Moat House and SECC.

Starting time: 19.30

Buffet supper served from 20.00

Guests able to stay in the Science Centre

until 23.00

#### Tuesday 20 August

Concert by the Royal Scottish Academy of Music and Drama to be held at the Glasgow Royal Concert Hall in the City Centre.

Starting time: 19.45

#### Thursday 22 August

The evening social events will take place in Edinburgh. It is planned that after the library visits and professional participants will be taken to Edinburgh where they will be free to enjoy the city for a while. For those not going on library visits, and those attending workshops that day, coaches will run from Glasgow to Edinburgh from 12 noon until 16.00.

Evening receptions will take place in the National Museums of Scotland. For those with tickets for the Tattoo, the reception will be from 18.30-20.00 They will then make their way up to the Castle for the Tattoo. For those who do not have Tattoo tickets, their reception will be from 20.30-22.00

Coaches will take all participants back to Glasgow.

#### **Guided Walks**

A programme of guided walks of the city of Glasgow has been planned and the guides have been asked to give these a library and literary focus where possible. They are planned for the following days and times: Sunday 18 August: 9.30, 11.00 and 14.00,

Tuesday 20 August/Wednesday 21 August: 9.30 and 14.00



#### **News from Australia**

by Peter Haddad, National Library of Australia

Australian Committee on Cataloguing

The Australian Committee on Cataloguing is working with the Malaysian National Committee on Cataloguing and Classification and the SILAS Standards Committee, Singapore to propose a number of revisions to the AACR rules for Malay names. The proposals would bring AACR closer to the usage outlined in IFLA's Names of Persons.

The Australian Committee on Cataloguing is participating in international cataloguing standards activities through representation on the Editorial Policy Committee of the Dewey Decimal Classification, and the Format Variation Working Group of the Joint Steering Committee for the Revision of AACR.

#### Networks and networking

Kinetica, Australia's national bibliographic network has released draft guidelines for the cataloguing of electronic resources. Developed by an Expert Advisory Group on the Cataloguing of Electronic Resources, these draft guidelines operate within the framework of AARC2 and MARC, http://www.nla.gov.au/kinetica/dg\_cer.html

Kinetica has been active in acquiring and centrally loading bibliographic data sets of electronic resources and Australian library holdings to improve access to the individual titles contained within large electronic collections held by Australian libraries.

#### National Library of Australia

The National Library is continuing to work towards the integration of its electronic and

non-electronic resources through a cataloguing project aimed at cataloguing all online electronic databases and indexes accessible via the Library.

The Library is also addressing issues of catalogue presentation. Because library users looking for information do not necessarily understand the distinction between a site search and a library's catalogue, or a library's collections and its publications, the National Library is looking at a redesign of its website. In the new redesign, the catalogue would become part of a total site search designed to provide the user with a one-stop look-up modelled on the form taken by Internet search engines.

#### IFLA SECTION ON CATALOGUING Strategic Plan, 2001-2003 Mission

The Section is the centre of international developments in cataloguing activities, and standards development within IFLA. The Section analyzes the functions of cataloguing activities for all types of materials and media. including bibliographic and authority information, for the benefit of all users. The Section proposes and develops cataloguing rules, quidelines, and standards for bibliographic taking into account the information. electronic developing and networked environment in order to promote universal access to and exchange of bibliographic and authority information.

The Section also provides leadership in the development of various standards and guidelines related to bibliographic activities, such as corporate name headings, authority entries, OPAC displays, and metadata standards.

#### Goals

1. Promote the Functional Requirements for Bibliographic Records (FRBR) study and its recommendations, and take follow-up action to develop new descriptive standards and standards for access points, and to develop a new approach to the bibliographic universe.

(Professional priorities: **(f) Promoting** resource sharing; **(i) Promoting** standards, guidelines and best practice)

#### **Actions**

- 1.1 Continue to follow-up with groups such as ELAG, the Joint Steering Committee for Revision of AACR, and the rulemaking committees in Germany and Russia.
- 1.2 Continue representation on the IFLA Working Group on Functional Requirements and Numbering for Authority Records (FRANAR), that expands FRBR to authorities.
- 1.3 Promote the recommendations from the IFLA conference in Copenhagen regarding the teaching of FRBR in library schools and in libraries in other countries (e.g., the Danish model).
- 1.4 Work with the Section on Bibliography to develop a statement for library directors and managers to explain FRBR.
- 1.5 Explore provision of practical guidance and documented practices for using FRBR.
- 1.6 Contact other IFLA units to assure widespread awareness of and use of the FRBR conceptual model and "metadata."
- 2. Develop approaches, standards, rules, and lists for information that provide access to bibliographic data in all languages.

(**Professional priorities:** (d) Providing unrestricted access to information; (f) Promoting resource sharing; (i) Promoting standards, guidelines and best practice)

#### **Actions**

- 2.1 Complete publication of Anonymous Classics, Part I, European Literature. The Working Group on Anonymous Classics will develop a schedule for completion of Part 2, Latin America, Part 3, Africa, and Part 4, Asia, and assure its timely completion before the end of 2002.
- 2.2 Monitor Unicode activities and keep the Section members informed of new developments via the Section Newsletter in order to promote this scheme for multilingual access to bibliographic information.
- 2.3 Develop a Web-based Multilingual Dictionary of Cataloguing Terms and Concepts to facilitate future discussions in the international cataloguing

- environment, including work towards an international cataloguing code.
- 2.4 Test prototypes of a virtual International Authority File.
- 2.5 Explore the creation of a virtual international authority file.

# 3. Provide new and updated ISBDs as necessary.

(**Professional priorities:** (f) Promoting resource sharing; (i) Promoting standards, guidelines and best practice)

#### **Actions**

- 3.1 Promote the ISBDs as metadata content schemes.
- 3.2Continue publishing the ISBDs on the IFLANET for worldwide access.
- 3.3 Complete ISBD(M) in 2001.
- 3.4 Complete ISBD(CM) in collaboration with the IFLA Section on Geography and Map Libraries.
- 3.5 Continue work of the ISBD Review Group to analyze and review existing especially for ISBDs. Non-Book Materials, Antiquarian Materials. Electronic Printed Resources. and include Music. to changes recommended within the framework of the FRBR, as well as suggestions from the Working Groups on Use of Metadata **OPAC** Schemes and Display Guidelines.
- 3.6 Complete the revised standard for serials expanded to continuing resources as ISBD(CR) through the Working Group for Revision of ISBD(S) in close coordination with the ISSN community and cataloguing rule making bodies. The ISBD Review Group will explain, promote, and communicate the new ISBD(CR) to the wider community.
- 3.7 Provide leadership in encouraging harmonization of existing cataloguing rules with the ISBDs, as was begun with the ISBD(S).
- 3.8 Identify the market (e.g., developers and users of ONIX, Dublin Core, creators of portals and subject gateways, the information industry, etc.) and devise strategies to promote the ISDBs to that market through the ISBD Review Group.
- 3.9 Conclude work of the ISBD Review Group on a recommended policy for application of the ISBDs where material

- involves the use of more than one ISBD (e.g., for materials having multiple aspects, such as serially issues, electronic, cartographic material, etc.). The ISBD Review Group will continue to analyze the benefits of a single integrated ISBD, including monitoring the proposals from the AACR community for a single Part 1 on description arranged by ISBD areas.
- 3.10 Monitor developments regarding efforts to resolve the multiple versions problems and decide whether to publish guidelines covering the use of single and multiple records.
- 3.11 Analyze and recommend an approach for dealing with series in the ISBDs by 2002.
- 4. Promote the development of an international cataloguing code for bibliographic description and access. (Professional priorities: (f) Promoting resource sharing; (h) Developing library professionals
- (i) Promoting standards, guidelines and best practice)

#### **Actions**

- 4.1 Plan and conduct an international conference of cataloguing experts as the first stage of conferences towards an international cataloguing code bibliographic description and access, taking into account subject access as relevant (in collaboration with the Section Classification and Indexing).
- 5. Review and develop the interface standards to make cataloguing information more accessible to the end user in cooperation with other technical communities.

(**Professional priorities:**(d) Providing unrestricted access to information; (f) Promoting resource sharing; (i) Promoting standards, guidelines and best practice); (k) Representing libraries in the technological marketplace

#### **Actions**

5.1 Complete the study of OPAC Displays and provide Guidelines.

- 5.2 The Working Group on the Uses of Metadata Schemes will recommend guidelines for use of metadata by libraries in close collaboration with the makers of various metadata standards, such as Dublin Core, EAD, METS, etc.
- 6. Develop guidelines for organizing the expanding amount of digital resources. (Professional priorities: (f) Promoting resource sharing; (i) Promoting standards, guidelines and best practice); (k) Representing libraries in the technological marketplace

#### **Actions**

- 6.1 Promote the guidelines from the Working Group on the Uses of Metadata Schemes to disseminate information about metadata.
- 6.2 Explore the closer relationships between authors and publishers and libraries in the creation of metadata and the role IFLA might play in accepted standards for essential bibliographic elements needed on all publications.
- 7. Explore opportunities for distance learning of cataloguing activities especially for developing countries. (Professional priorities:(c) literacy and reading; (f) Promoting resource Developing sharing; (h) librarv professionals; (i) Promoting standards, guidelines and best practice)

#### Actions

- 7.1 Provide seminars and work with UBCIM and gain advice from members of the Section involved with education and learning activities.
- 7.2 Continue the reciprocation with Saur publishers to assure all of the ISBDs and Section Guidelines and Reports are available on IFLANET.
- 7.3 Continue close relationships with UBCIM to promote the standards and teaching of cataloguing developments around the world.
- 8. Provide leadership in defining cataloguing processes, the role of cataloguing activities and the cataloguer in particular, given the rapid developments in electronic information

technology and the production of electronic publications. [PP: h, i] (Professional priorities: (h) Developing library professionals; (i) Promoting standards, guidelines and best practice)

#### **Actions**

- 8.1 Explore ways to assure the leadership role of the Section on Cataloguing within IFLA for such initiatives, integrated processing of bibliographic elements, revision of rules and bibliographic standards for metadata and cataloguing.
- 9. Provide information about the work of the Section and Standing Committee. (Professional priorities: (a) Supporting the role of libraries in society); (d) Providing unrestricted access to information; (f) Promoting resource sharing; (h) Developing library professionals; (i) Promoting standards, guidelines and best practice)

#### **Actions**

- 9.1 Assure distribution of all relevant documents to all Section members.
- 9.2 Continue communication of Section and Standing Committee activities through SCATNews, the Open Program of the Section, workshops, journal articles, IFLANET, etc.
- 10. Promote membership in the Section, emphasizing a broader geographic representation on the Standing Committee.

(Professional priorities: (f) Promoting resource sharing; (h) Developing library professionals; (i) Promoting standards, guidelines and best practice)

#### **Actions**

10.1 Involve more representatives from existing institutional members (including sending a letter to all institutional members encouraging participation on the various Working Groups)



#### **John Byrum and Fernanda Campos**

I wanted to thank you both for your past service to the IFLA Section on Cataloging, as the two "Honorary Advisors."

IFLA's Governing Board in adopting the new Rules of Procedure recently decided that there would be only one category of member of Section Standing Committees, in addition to the elected members. This is the Corresponding Member. Rule 12.31 says that "Standing Committees may appoint up to 5 Corresponding Members to provide for experts from

countries or geographical areas which otherwise would not be represented, or to provide expertise in a specific subject field..." The Board resolved not to approve categories such as 'Honorary Members', 'Honorary Advisor', 'Observer'. These will no longer be listed in the Directory or on IFLANET. In compliance with this change, the Section is discontinuing these "positions."

I am sure we will manage to find other ways to thank special contributors in the future, and again I thank you both for all you have done and continue to do for the Section. – Barbara B. Tillett,

Chair, IFLA Section on Cataloguing

Note: John Byrum continues his service as chair of our Section's ISBD Review Group

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