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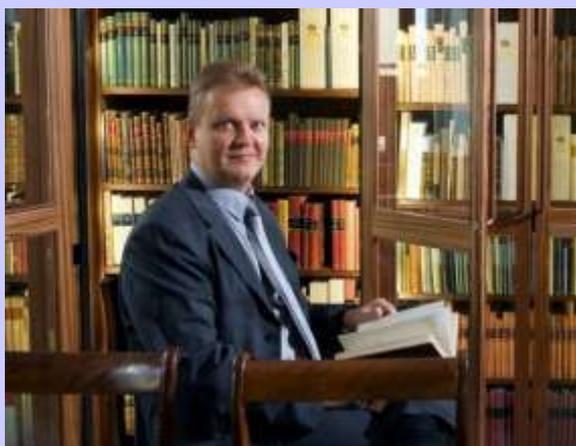
FAIFE Newsletter



The newsletter of the International Federation of Library Associations' Committee on Freedom of Access to Information and Freedom of Expression

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Message from the Chair Kai Ekholm



Dear Faifeans!

I hope this newsletter reaches you in good health and spirit. We are happy to announce our program in Helsinki and invite you to join us. Your attendance is highly appreciated.

We are hoping to see you all in Helsinki and at our sessions, starting on Sunday 12th August 13.45 – 15.45 after Opening session.

Our theme is as usual, a cheeky one SLEEPWALKING INTO A CONTROL SOCIETY?

You will meet the following speakers and themes:

- *Intro and welcome* by **Kai Ekholm**, Chair of FAIFE
- *Keynote: Internet is dead* by **Siva Vaidhyanathan**, professor
- *Response: New media control in Europe* by **Erkan Saka**, professor (Questions from the audience by Twitter etc.)
- *Code of Ethics* by **Paul Sturges**, professor 15 min
- *FAIFE update* by **Kai Ekholm** and **Päivikki Karhula**

- **Maker's mark**

1) The successful FAIFE Advent calendar

Panu Somerma, Entresse library

2) FAIFE Book Club

Jonathan Kelley, ALA

3) ALA and most banned books in USA 2011-2

Barbara Jones

- Promoting CLM/FAIFE session / Päivikki Karhula
- Promoting Speaker's corner / Kai Ekholm

Secondly we invite you to FAIFE/CLM joint session on Wednesday 15th August 9.30 – 12.45 around topics of copyright, privacy and internet censorship and data surveillance.

MASTER OF CONTENTS OR HOW TO WIN THE BATTLE OVER FREEDOM IN CYBERSPACE, 15th August 9.30 – 12.45 in Session Room 1

9.30-9.50 *Privatization of cyberspace - case Google*, **Siva Vaidhyanathan**, Media Studies and Law, University of Virginia, USA

Discussion

10.05-10.25 *Privacy, data surveillance and free speech in the age of Big Data*, **Gus Hosein**, Privacy International, UK

Discussion

10.40-11.00 *Internet censorship in context: the shape of things to come*, **Päivikki Karhula**, University of Tampere, School of Information Sciences, Finland

Discussion

11.15-11.35 *Lawful access legislation, its risks and why libraries must care*, **Jeannie Bail**, Queen Elizabeth II Library & Brent Roe, Canadian Association of Research Libraries, Canada

Comment: **Shaked Spiers**, Berlin School of Library and Information Science, Germany

Discussion

11.55-12.15 *The copyright cloud over our national collections: As Australia rolls out the National Broadband Network, how the Australian copyright regime could restrict access to knowledge, culture and research on the high speed network, and lessons to be learnt in the global context*, **Ellen Broad**, Australian Digital Alliance, Australia

Comment: **Harald Müller**, Max Planck Institute for Comparative Public Law and International Law, Library

Discussion

Comments received for the session speeches also via Twitter: #wlic2012

And finally, we have a totally new format called Speaker's corner.

FAIFE Speaker's corner at WLIC

FAIFE is bringing the hottest issues of Internet and the freedom of users to the Mediatalo in Helsinki. This is a new approach of FAIFE and IFLA.

Be there! Or you will regret...

FAIFE Speaker's corner 15.8.2012 at the Sanomatalo/Sanoma house Media piazza 13.00 – 15.00

Sanoma House is situated in Finland Park, a cultural oasis in the heart of Helsinki, north of the Helsinki railway station, beside Kiasma (the Museum of Contemporary Art) and the Music Centre.



(SESSION I 13.00 -)

This is how you are being controlled today!

Chair: **Kai Ekholm**

Guests: **Loida Garcia Febo**, FAIFE Expert Resource Person

(SESSSION II 1335 -)

They own your data! What are you going to do?

Chair: **Päivikki Karhula**

Guest: **Hanna Nikkanen**, a prize winning journalist and activist

(SESSION III 1410 -)

Are the copyrights really collapsing?

Chair: **Stuart Hamilton**

Guest: **Anna Troberg**, president of the Swedish Pirate Party

It's all yours now! Enjoy!

See you all in Helsinki!

Yours Kai Ekholm

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New Spotlights for you

Just prior to the IFLA we are sharing half a dozen new Spotlights with you. It is the outcome of the research project that Helsingin sanomain säätiö in Finland has promoted for two years.

There are many well-known Faifeans contributing our pages, like Theo Bothma, Archie L. Dick, Barbara Jones, Päivikki Karhula and Hermann Roesch.

We are happy to introduce you a new face, a pro from Turkey, Professor Erkan Saka who contributes us of the European censorship and media. Most of these themes are discussed in Helsinki sessions.

Visit FAIFE Spotlights here
<http://www.ifla.org/faife/spotlight>

IFLA Code of Ethics for Librarians in its final stages

by Hermann Roesch

LIS Professor, Cologne University of Applied Sciences

In almost 70 countries national library associations have worked out a national Code of Ethics for Librarians. Although archivists and museum specialists do have international codes of ethics for their professions IFLA and librarians don't have an ethical code on an international level yet.

This is one of the reasons why FAIFE took the decision to task a working group with drafting such an international code of ethics for librarians. The working group consisted of 5 members from 5 countries who are with one exception members of the FAIFE committee: Loida Garcia-Febo, Anna Hustad, Hermann Roesch, Paul Sturges and Amélie Valloton. The work started in summer 2010 and was kindly supported by Globethics who among others provided their expertise and work space on their online platform.

The paragraphs in detail were drafted by members of the working group in consultation with other experts. A first completed draft was discussed by the

working group and further experts at full-time meetings in The Hague (April 2011) and San Juan, Puerto Rico (August 2011). This resulted in a second draft in September 2011 which was distributed to further experts. In December 2011 Paul Sturges and Hermann Roesch had the task to review the comments that had been made in the meantime and to produce a third draft in a meeting at Cologne.

This draft was distributed and broadly discussed via IFLA-L and different national discussion lists of librarians. Hundreds of comments had to be discussed and to be taken into account. This process led to the latest version which now consists of the following parts:

Preamble

1. Access to information
2. Responsibilities towards individuals and society
3. Privacy, Secrecy and Transparency
4. Open Access and Intellectual Property

5. Neutrality, Personal Integrity and Professional Skills
6. Colleague and Employer/Employee Relationship.

IFLA's Governing Board has endorsed the main features of the draft in spring 2012 and amongst others suggested to present

the International Code of Ethics for Librarians a two pages short version as well. After this additional work has been done, it is now up to the GB to adopt the Code (and its two versions) and to present it the public at the WLIC in Helsinki

***FAIFE Books Club begins discussion of Ray Bradbury's
"Fahrenheit 451"***

by Jonathan Kelley
Program Coordinator, OIF, ALA

I'd like to invite all readers of this newsletter to visit <http://faifebookclub.ala.org>. That's the new interactive home of the FAIFE Book Club – an avenue for librarians and free expression supporters to discuss the issues raised by various books chosen by the FAIFE Committee. The current selection is Ray Bradbury's classic Fahrenheit 451. First published in 1953, Fahrenheit 451 has been translated into at least 33 languages, and is now available as an e-book as well.

While the book was chosen before Bradbury's 5 June 2012 death, the selection has proved to be a wonderful way to honor Bradbury's life as well as discuss many of the book's themes, which are as timely as ever today. State-mandated censorship, the role of media and technology in shaping our existence, and the status of literature in society are all great discussion topics.

The first selection of the FAIFE Book Club was Evgeny Morozov's The Net Delusion. We have posted 11 chapter-by-chapter analyses on the Book Club site (originally posted at LibraryThing), and even a Finnish translation of the chapter overviews and discussion questions!

In addition to the website, FAIFE Book Club discussion is taking place via an email list and a Twitter feed, and participants are welcome to post their thoughts on FAIFE's Facebook page. Following the FAIFE meetings in Helsinki, look for announcements about webinars, international Skype discussions, and in-person activities.

The FAIFE Book Club is cosponsored by the American Library Association Office for Intellectual Freedom. In addition, we are pleased to announce ALA's Intellectual Freedom Round Table as our first partnering organization. If your organization would like to be a partner in the FAIFE Book Club, or if you have any questions, please contact Jonathan Kelley at jokelley@ala.org.

Again, I hope you'll take some time to peruse the FAIFE Book Club website and share your thoughts about either book selection. And if you have suggestions for the next selection, let us know!