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IFLA Membership –

IFLA is the global voice of libraries and the most international library organisation in the world. Our vision – sustainable futures for all through knowledge and information – defines the world that we are creating together.

We work to support our members and beyond by providing tools and materials, a forum for discussion and learning, and advocating for libraries.

We benefit from a strong membership, a vibrant and diverse professional community, and close collaboration with partners. Our members are our greatest strength, working together to help define the agenda of the international library and information community.

By being an IFLA Member or Affiliate you make what we do possible, and it affirms your commitment to delivering exceptional library services and promoting the core values of library and information work.

Ways to engage –

These are just some ways how you can engage and expand the value of your IFLA membership:

- ◆ Be an active IFLA member or affiliate.
- ◆ Register and engage with IFLA's Professional Sections.
- ◆ Follow and engage with IFLA's Regional Divisions.
- ◆ Attend the World Library and Information Congress on reduced registration fee.

- ◆ Make use of discounts on IFLA Publications and member access to IFLA Journal.
- ◆ Help drive progress by supporting IFLA's strategic impact areas financially.

What can you get out of your IFLA membership?

- ◆ Engagement in IFLA's Professional Sections of your choice. Each year, you save up to EUR 71 on each free Section that you are registered for as part of your membership plan.
- ◆ Free participation in the relevant IFLA Regional Division coming with an opportunity of stronger engagement in the advocacy for libraries in your region.
- ◆ Join us between 10-13 August 2026 at The World Library and Information Congress (WLIC) in Busan, South Korea and enjoy 25% discount when registering. All IFLA Members can save between 220 and 265 EUR on the full WLIC programme.
- ◆ Nominating and electing candidates, or being nominated yourself, to the vacant positions in various IFLA's committees in the IFLA Elections.
- ◆ Participating in IFLA's decision-making at the IFLA General Assembly.
- ◆ Building knowledge and professional experience through engaging in dynamic professional development opportunities – virtual events, workshops, panel sessions and seminars. Check out our calendar of events and news pages to see what IFLA is doing around the world and what are opportunities to engage.

Keep in touch with the Membership Team

We are here to help you make the most out of your IFLA membership!

We will be happy to receive feedback, suggestions and answer any questions regarding your membership. Do not hesitate to reach out at membership@ifla.org.

Be an active IFLA member or affiliate

IFLA membership comes with benefits, rights, and responsibilities. Throughout the year, there will be several points in time when an action from you will be required or an opportunity for you to engage will be present.

We thank you for continuing to be one of the 1,600 active IFLA Members and Affiliates in the world!

Taking care of your IFLA membership fees

Paying your membership fees ensures your continued involvement as an active IFLA member or affiliate.

According to the Statutes of our Federation, these are some of the important dates when it comes to managing your membership:

- ◆ **Payment deadline** – March 31 – annual membership fees (including the monies payable for publications, additional Sections or other services to which a Member has subscribed) are payable in advance by this date each year.
- ◆ **Suspension** – June 30 – members who have not paid their fees in full by this date in any year are suspended by the Secretary General and stop receiving any of the services of the Federation, including the right to vote, until the fees are paid in full.
- ◆ **Exclusion** – December 31 – members that have not paid their fees until this date in any given year are excluded by resolution of the Governing Board.

Making sure your renewal invoice is correct and well received

Usually, in early February of each year, you will receive your renewal invoice covering your IFLA membership for the year ahead. The Membership Team works hard to make sure that each IFLA Member and Affiliate receives a renewal invoice which correctly reflects their membership plan.

Here is how you can help:

Updating your contact details

For renewals, we will use contact details known to the Membership Team.

In case the contact person for IFLA membership or your contact details such as email address for receiving an invoice has changed, use the time in December and January or as soon as it is known to you to get in touch with the Membership Team at membership@ifla.org to make sure we keep correct information in your membership file.

Moving to a different membership category

Have your circumstances changed and you would like to move to a different membership category, contact the Membership Team at membership@ifla.org to discuss your situation. The best time to make such changes is before February.

Changing Section membership

In addition to your membership fee, your renewal invoice can include fees of paid Section registrations (if you added them). In case you would like to change from one Section to another or add additional Sections to your membership plan, inform the Membership Team at membership@ifla.org. You can add and change Sections throughout the year but if you wish the fees included in your renewal invoice, please reach out before February.



Register and engage with IFLA's Professional Sections

IFLA's Professional Sections are the primary focus of professional activity within IFLA, specialising in a particular type of library, information service, user group, or education and development for the profession.

Your membership plan includes [free Section membership](#) and, if you added, [paid Section membership](#). These are Sections of your choice that you have registered for when you became an IFLA member or affiliate or added throughout your membership.

What can you get out of your Section membership?

These are some of the ways how you can engage and be engaged in the work of your registered Sections.

- ◆ Develop close links with experts in your field of interest.
- ◆ Make connections and expand your professional networks.
- ◆ Nominate and elect members of Section Standing Committee or get yourself nominated and engage as a volunteer.
- ◆ Participate in the Section's professional development and other events.
- ◆ Attend the Section's Standing Committee meetings as an observer and engage in projects and initiatives.
- ◆ Inquire about and bring forward ideas for Section's action plan by contacting the Section's Chair, Secretary, or Information Coordinator directly.
- ◆ Receive direct communication including news and updates from the Section's Standing Committee.
- ◆ Participate in discussions through the Section's mailing list.

Free Section membership

Each member and affiliate can register for one or more Sections for free.

How many free Section registrations you get depends on your membership category. Visit our [Membership categories](#) webpage to see how many free Sections are included in the membership plan of each membership category.

Paid Section membership

You may join as many additional Sections as you like. Each additional Section incurs a fee which will be added to your membership dues and included in your invoice.

In 2025, the fee for additional Sections is EUR 71 per Section.

Changing your Section membership plan

You can change from one Section to another or add additional Section registrations by contacting the Membership Team at membership@ifla.org.

Check out what [payment options](#) we provide.



List of IFLA's Professional Sections

We have 43 Professional Sections that you can choose from and add to your membership plan. There is certain to be a Section of interest to you. Use our [Committee Finder](#) to locate each Section's webpage to learn more about their work.

1. National Libraries
2. Academic and Research Libraries
3. Library and Research Services for Parliaments
4. Government Libraries
5. Social Science Libraries
7. Science and Technology Libraries
8. Public Libraries
9. Equitable and Accessible Library Services
10. Libraries for Children and Young Adults
11. School Libraries
12. Bibliography
13. Cataloguing
14. Acquisition and Collection Development
15. Document Delivery and Resource Sharing
16. Serials and other Continuing Resources
17. Government Information and Official Publications
18. Rare Books and Special Collections
19. Preservation and Conservation
20. Library Buildings and Equipment
21. Information Technology
22. Statistics and Evaluation
23. Education and Training
24. Library Theory and Research
28. Health and Biosciences Libraries
29. Subject Analysis and Access
30. Art Libraries
31. Libraries Serving Persons with Print Disabilities
32. Library Services to Multicultural Populations
33. Literacy and Reading
34. Management and Marketing
35. Audiovisual and Multimedia
36. Reference and Information Services
37. Local History and Genealogy
39. News Media
40. Management of Library Associations
42. Information Literacy
43. Continuing Professional Development and Workplace Learning
46. Metropolitan Libraries
47. Knowledge Management
48. Law Libraries
49. Environment, Sustainability and Libraries
50. Indigenous Matters
51. LGBTQ+ Matters

Follow and engage with IFLA's Regional Divisions

IFLA has six Regional Divisions:

- ◆ [Asia-Oceania](#)
- ◆ [Europe](#)
- ◆ [Latin America and the Caribbean](#)
- ◆ [Middle East and North Africa](#)
- ◆ [North America](#)
- ◆ [Sub-Saharan Africa](#)

Regional Divisions work with other relevant committees and groups to build stronger advocacy for libraries within the region.

Free Regional Division membership

Your membership plan includes free registration to a relevant Regional Division. Check the [list of countries/territories per region](#) to see which is your IFLA region.

What can you get out of your Regional Division membership?

- ◆ Develop closer connections with colleagues in your region.
- ◆ Expand your professional networks in your region.
- ◆ Nominate and elect members of your Regional Division Committee or get yourself nominated and engage as a volunteer in strengthening the voice of libraries in your region.
- ◆ Engage and get engaged in your Regional Division's advocacy events.
- ◆ Receive direct communications including news and updates from your Regional Division Committee.
- ◆ Follow and participate in discussions through your Regional Division's mailing list.

Attend the World Library and Information Congress on reduced registration fee

The IFLA World Library and Information Congress (WLIC) is the most international professional and trade event for the library and information services sector.

What can you get out of attending WLIC?

- ◆ Experiencing a truly international world of librarianship and establishing friendships that cross borders and continents.
- ◆ Connecting with professionals who are interested in the same topics as you.
- ◆ Expanding your network of colleagues to which you can reach out in the future.
- ◆ Learning from engaging speakers, discovering solutions to challenges, and bringing back state-of-the-art ideas to your workplace.
- ◆ Being part of a global discussion and realising that we face similar challenges and can make change happen together.
- ◆ And much more!

Member and Affiliate discount

As an IFLA member or affiliate you will receive a discount on the registration fee for the annual WLIC. Reduction applies to both early and standard registration fees. The amount of the reduction will vary, depending on the fees set for each year's WLIC.

In 2026, the WLIC will take place in Busan, South Korea, and all IFLA Members and Affiliates can register with 25% discount.

Employees of our Institutional Members as well as members of our Association Members can register for WLIC with 25% discount by using their Institution's or Association's IFLA member code.



Make use of discounts on IFLA Publications and member access to IFLA Journal

Over the years, IFLA has partnered with a number of publishers to produce print publications on a variety of library issues. As an IFLA member or affiliate you are entitled to discounts on purchases of [IFLA Publications](#).

Discounts on titles published by De Gruyter Saur

IFLA Members receive a substantial discount on purchase from IFLA publications published by De Gruyter Saur. These include:

- ◆ A 30% discount on standing orders of titles published in the [IFLA Publications Series](#).
- ◆ A 25% discount on individual or backlist titles.

Follow up on these recent titles.



Libraries Driving Education for Sustainable Development

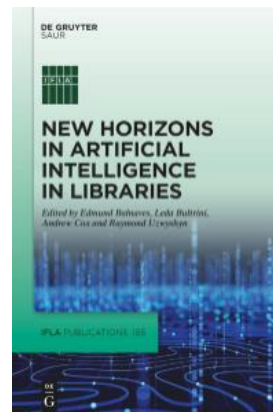
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The book refers to the UNESCO's Education for Sustainable Development (ESD) for its 2030 education program.

In line with the Berlin Declaration on ESD and the UNESCO program, the book focuses on innovative approaches and informal education projects, created and provided by green and sustainable libraries.



New Horizons in Artificial Intelligence in Libraries

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Open Access

This book provides information about the role and impact of AI in libraries, sheds light on present opportunities and challenges and open future possibilities.

All titles are available in print and eBook formats. Order can be placed [with the publisher](#). For ordering information, please contact De Gruyter's Acquisitions Editor for Library and Information Science, Claudia Heyer:
claudia.heyer@degruyter.com.

Free Member/Affiliate access to the electronic version of IFLA Journal

We are partnering with SAGE Publications to provide all IFLA members with [free access to the electronic version](#) via the award-winning SAGE platform, SAGE Journals. The SAGE platform offers:

- ◆ Full functionality and search capabilities.
- ◆ Multiple alerting options to inform IFLA Members of articles that match their areas of interest.
- ◆ No-cost linking to articles in other journals hosted on the SAGE Journals and HighWire platforms cited by IFLA Journal.
- ◆ Downloads to citation management software.
- ◆ Mobile and tablet-optimized journal homepage, allowing on-the-go access.
- ◆ Access to the full searchable backfile of the IFLA Journal.

A version of the [IFLA Journal is available as open access on the IFLA website](#).



Support IFLA's Strategic Impact Areas financially

By donating, IFLA Members and Affiliates are directly supporting our shared vision of creating sustainable futures for all through knowledge and information.

Your financial support empowers us to build stronger connections, represent libraries globally, and enable meaningful change across all levels of our profession.

Your impact in action

As an IFLA member or affiliate, your contributions allow us to advance our Strategic Impact Areas:

- ◆ **Libraries are connected and energised through vibrant, global professional communities.**
Your support strengthens our community of members and volunteers and helps us provide a space and support for global exchange, learning and inspiration, as well as the development of relevant standards and guidelines.
- ◆ **Libraries are recognized, represented, and valued as partners.**
You help amplify libraries' voices as reliable and effective partners, and demonstrate libraries' contributions, build support and define paths forwards, from global spaces to local communities.
- ◆ **Libraries are enabled to deliver meaningful change at all levels.**
Donations help build on our unique potential to drive systemic change, by supporting capacity development, drawing on our global networks and the expertise we can mobilise. We welcome donations to help support IFLA membership fees for library associations struggling in times of war, disaster and economic devastation.

IFLA's Strategic Impact Areas enable the continuation of our goals that focus on areas of significance to our members and library users.

These bring together our advocacy efforts, the work of our Professional Units, Advisory Committees – FAIFE, CLM, Committee on Standards, and Cultural Heritage, Regional Divisions, and our work with strategic partners.

How you can donate

We deeply appreciate your generosity and have made donating easy. To support IFLA's Strategic Impact Areas, contact our Membership Team at membership@ifla.org and we'll guide you through the process.

You can arrange your financial support in one of these ways:

- ◆ Request a pro-forma invoice for the amount you wish to donate (in EUR currency).
- ◆ Add your financial support to your membership invoice for payment by bank transfer.
- ◆ Request a secure online payment link to donate via credit card.

Together, we can build sustainable futures for all through knowledge and information. Thank you for your continued support!



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Payment options 2025-2026

We want to work with you to enable the payment of your Membership Invoice as quickly and easily as possible. However, we know that throughout the world different restrictions may apply. Your Membership Invoice contains details on paying by bank transfer and credit card, but other options are available.

In all instances, please reference your Membership Code and your Invoice Number.

Fastest and cheapest – Credit Card payment

You can use the email address listed on your invoice to login in to the IFLA Member Online Services at <https://members.ifla.org> and make a secure Credit Card payment. For more information please contact us at membership@ifla.org.

Bank Transfer

Your invoice contains the details for making a bank transfer to IFLA's ABN AMRO Bank in the Netherlands.

Name of Account Holder: IFLA
Name of Bank: ABN-AMRO Bank
Account number: 849137179
IBAN code: NL39 ABNA 0849 1371 79
Swift code: ABNANL2A
Location: Amsterdam, Netherlands

If you choose to pay by international bank transfer, **you must instruct your bank to debit any bank charges to your account.** Otherwise IFLA will not receive the full amount of fees due, and the amount owing will be added to your invoice in the following year.

Other options

Electronic payments – IFLA is registered for invoicing via **Peppol** and **ChorusPro**. Many organisations now require IFLA to register as a supplier in their accounting system. We seek your patience as doing this individually in many countries around the world can add time to the payment process.

If you wish to use **PayPal** or **Western Union**, email us in advance as special arrangements must be made.

Contact us at membership@ifla.org if you have problems and we'll find solutions together.