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Don't forget – you are always welcome to make suggestions. We do want to hear from you! Contact: jwellheiser@torontopubliclibrary.ca

For you bloggers...

Digitizationblog focuses on digitization activities for libraries and allied institutions. <http://digitizationblog.interoperating.info>
Digitization 101 is a blog on issues, topics and lessons learned for the creation, management, marketing and preservation of digital assets.
<http://hurstassociates.blogspot.com/>

IFLA 2005 Oslo

Plan to attend

**World Library and Information
Congress: 71st IFLA General
Conference and Council**



**Libraries –
A voyage of discovery
August 14th - 18th 2005
Oslo, Norway**

See <http://www.ifla.org/IV/ifla71/index.htm>

The Conference will be held at the Oslo Spektrum and in the conference hotel, Hotel Radisson Plaza in Oslo, Norway.

Satellite Meeting

**Arctic Circle Conservation Colloquium:
Preservation Storage Solutions for all Library
Materials**

**The interdependency of preservation and
storage for determining solutions to the
longevity of varied library materials.**

Date: August 10-11, 2005

Place: Norway, Mo i Rana, National Library

Sponsors: Newspapers and Preservation and
Conservation Sections

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The National Library of Norway (NLN) has developed a facility at Mo I Rana, situated just south of the Arctic Circle. It provides a new approach to the long-term retention of all types of library materials. The Colloquium offers you the opportunity to learn at first hand about the aims of the NLN's preservation programme, and how these aims have been achieved in practice. The NLN also has an automated storage and retrieval system that contains the lending material of the Repository Library. This storage solution is the first of its kind in the Nordic library sector.

This is your chance to travel to the far North, and be guided by the professional staff of the National Library of Norway.

Organizing Committee:

Edmund King, British Library
Majlis Bremer-Laamanen, Helsinki University Library.
Gunhild Myrbakk, National Library of Norway.
Kari Mathisen, National Library of Norway.
For programme, travel and accommodation information, see Meeting No. 14
<http://www.ifla.org/IV/ifla71/satellite-e.htm>

Standing Committee Meetings

The Standing Committee will hold two business meetings during the Oslo Conference. Observers are always welcome!

Saturday, August 13, 2005 - 08.30-11.20am
Friday, August 19, 2005 - 11:00am-1:50pm

Preservation and Conservation Section: Open Sessions

Tuesday, August 16, 2005
105 & 111 SI - Preservation & Conservation, Asia & Oceania, IFLA-PAC & Library Buildings

Part I: 8:30 - 10:30am

Part II: 10:45am -12:45pm

Housing for eternity - sustainable solutions and mistakes to avoid. The role of library buildings in preservation

- The first step in preservation: building the right building
MARIE-THERÈSE VARLAMOFF (IFLA/PAC, Paris, France)
- Mountain vaults: a thousand years perspective
GUNHILD MYRBAKK (National Library of Norway, Mo i Rana, Norway)
- The Russian State Library: old buildings and new solutions
VLADIMIR GNEZDILOV, EKATERINA ILINA, OLGA PERMINOVA and TATIANA STEPANOVA (Russian State Library, Moscow, Russian Federation)
- Preserving our books: the new building of the Shanghai Library
JIEYIN FENG (Shanghai Library, Shanghai, China)
- The Almedalen library: a low energy cost solution
PER CULLHED (Uppsala University Library, Uppsala, Sweden)
- Hypoxic continuous air inerting: fire protection for library collections
JAN HOLMBERG (Royal Institute of Technology, Stockholm, Sweden) and GEIR JENSEN (Cowi A/S, Trondheim, Norway)
- Preservation through building design- perspectives from developing countries
TBA

Other IFLA 2005 Oslo Sessions of Interest

Monday, August 15, 8:30-10:30am

83 Rare Books and Manuscripts

Embracing the flood. Managing the 20th century as the past: 20th century materials - selection, preservation and access

- Building 20th century collections
RICHARD LANDON (University of Toronto, Toronto, Canada)
- 20th century artists' books
MARCIA REED (Getty Research Institute, Los Angeles, USA)
- Embracing the flood - or rather diverting a tributary in order to help prevent future flooding
ELISABETH EIDE (National Library of Norway, Oslo, Norway)
- Collection management of born digital materials
TBA

Wednesday, August 17, 1:45-3:45pm
143 Asia and Oceania

Digital libraries and sustainability

- Promises and challenges: digital libraries in the global information society
ALEX BYRNE (University of Technology Sydney, Sydney, Australia)
- Towards sustainable collection management: a study of digitisation and preservation activities in Malaysian university libraries
BADILAH SAAD, MOHD SHARIF MODH SAAD and SHAI FOL YAZAM MAT (University Putra Malaysia, Serdang, Selangor, Malaysia)
- Re-designing a library web site for sustainability
JUDITH TITOKO and VICTORIA YORK (University of the South Pacific Library)
- Digitisation, sustainability and access in the Indian context
KALPANA DASGUPTA (New Delhi, India)
- Sustainable digital library development for scientific communities
ZHANG XIAOLIN (Library of Chinese Academy of Sciences, Beijing, China)
- Digital libraries to preserve, archive and disseminate the Arab heritage
HASNA ASHKITA (Assad National Library, Damascus, Syria)

Thursday August 18, 8:30-10:30am
150 SI - ICABS (IFLA/CDNL Alliance for Bibliographic Standards)

Maintaining access to digital collections

- Opening of the session
RENATE GÖMPEL (Die Deutsche Bibliothek, Frankfurt am Main, Germany)
- Getting started: what needs to be in place to maintain access to digital collections
PAMELA GATENBY (National Library of Australia, Canberra, Australia)
- Metadata standards: their role in maintaining access to digital collections
SALLY McCALLUM (Library of Congress, Washington D.C., USA)
- Emerging Standards in digital preservation
INGEBORG VERHEUL (The Royal Library, The Hague, Netherlands)
- Nestor and KOPAL - Two national initiatives to ensure long-term accessibility of digital documents in Germany

RIENHARD ALTENHÖNER (Die Deutsche Bibliothek, Frankfurt am Main, Germany)

- Collaboration in archiving in the UK
CAROLINE BRAZIER (British Library, London, UK)
- Web archives long term access and interoperability: the International Internet Preservation Consortium activity
CATHERINE LUPOVICI (Bibliothèque nationale de France, Paris, France)

Thursday, August 18, 8:30-10:30am
153 Audiovisual and Multimedia

Access to audiovisual and Multimedia Materials

- Guidelines on the production and preservation of digital audio objects - optimizing quality access through digital preservation practice
JACQUELINE VAN ARB (Norwegian Institute of Recorded Sound, IASA, Stavanger, Norway)



Recent P&C Section Activities

Preparing for the Worst, Planning for the Best: Protecting our Cultural Heritage from Disaster

The proceedings of the IFLA Berlin 2003 special conference on disaster management sponsored in part by the Section was published in early 2005 as IFLA Saur Publication No. 111.

Johanna G. Wellheiser and Nancy E. Gwinn eds.

<http://www.ifla.org/V/pr/saur111.htm>

First, do no harm - A Register of Standards, Codes of Practice, Guidelines, Recommendations and Similar Works relating to Preservation and Conservation in Libraries and Archives

This compilation prepared by John McIlwaine on behalf of the Section was made available on IFLANET in March 2005.

<http://www.ifla.org/VII/s19/pubs/first-do-no-harm.pdf>



In Case You Missed It....

UNESCO and FAO launch training CD-ROM on digitization for librarians and laymen

The kit is available free of charge from UNESCO and the UN Food and Agriculture Organization. Includes 15 hours of training.

http://portal.unesco.org/ci/en/ev.php-URL_ID=19096&URL_DO=DO_TOPIC&URL_SECTION=201.html

The Ink Corrosion website

Hosted by the European Commission on Preservation and Access in Amsterdam, this website presents information on iron gall ink; its importance in (art) history; and its slow, self-destructing properties known as iron gall ink corrosion. On the literature list you will find 337 publications.

<http://www.knaw.nl/CFdata/ink/index.cfm>

Access to thousands of archives through UNESCO Archives Portal

More than 7,500 websites of archives and archival resources worldwide can be accessed through the new version of the "UNESCO Archives Portal", a directory of websites related to archives and records management, that was recently launched.

http://www.unesco.org/webworld/portal_archives

MINERVA Knowledge Base

MINERVA is a "network of EU Member States' Ministries to discuss, correlate and harmonize activities carried out in digitization of cultural and scientific content for creating an agreed European common platform, recommendations and guidelines about digitization, metadata, long-term accessibility and preservation."

<http://www.minervaeurope.org/home.htm>

Expanding Google Print Program

The libraries of Harvard, Stanford, the University of Michigan, the University of Oxford, and the New York Public Library have joined up with Internet company Google to digitally scan library books and make them searchable online.

http://www.google.com/press/pressrel/print_library.html



Disaster Planning and Response Developments

IFLA Relief and Development Partnership

The terrible devastation caused by the Indian Ocean earthquake and tsunami on December 26, 2004 shocked the world. To provide a mechanism for more effective and professional-level response to this and future disasters, IFLA President-elect Alex Byrne, has proposed an *IFLA Relief and Development Partnership* within existing National IFLA Foundations. Already established in a number of countries, these foundations will be re-purposed to provide funds, aid reconstruction and assist the development of library and information services. See <http://www.ifla.org/III/gb/GB-minutes-03-2005.pdf> (Motion 05-017)

Tsunami in South Asia

UNESCO Webworld page provides resources in the areas of communication and information including how to make a donation.

http://portal.unesco.org/ci/en/ev.php-URL_ID=17830&URL_DO=DO_TOPIC&URL_SECTION=201.html#4

Sri Lanka Disaster Management Committee for Libraries, Information Services and Archives established

With the assistance of the National Library and Documentation Centre, UNESCO, IFLA and a number of Sri Lankan organizations formally established the Sri Lanka Disaster Management Committee for Libraries, Information Services and Archives in early 2005.

<http://www.ifla.org/V/press/tsunami-SriLanka-report3.htm>

MEP bibliography online

In the framework of the Museums Emergency Programme (MEP), the Getty Conservation Institute has posted a bibliography of recent literature and didactic resources on integrated emergency management.

<http://gcibibs.getty.edu/asp/>



News Notes from around the World

New book on preservation of electronic records

"Symposium 2003 – Preservation of Electronic Records: New Knowledge and Decision-making: Postprints" publication is now available from the Canadian Conservation Institute.

See the online bookstore at
<http://www.cci-icc.gc.ca>

New CLIR Report: *Library as Place: Rethinking Roles, Rethinking Space*

"In their essays, the authors challenge us to think about new potential for the place we call the library and underscore the growing importance of the library as a place for teaching, learning, and research in the digital age."

<http://www.clir.org/pubs/abstract/pub129abst.htm>

International Appeal for the Preservation of the World Audiovisual Heritage (FIAT)

The world audiovisual heritage that bears witness to the people's cultural identity is under immediate threat. 200 million hours of audio and video records are endangered, particularly in the developing countries," says the International Federation of Television Archives inviting for on-line signatures to its "Call from Paris".

The appeal was launched at the 27th annual conference of the International Federation of Television Archives (FIAT/IFTA), in October 2004 in Paris, France, in association with sister organizations such as the International Association of Sound and Audiovisual Archives (IASA), the International Council on Archives (ICA), the International Federation of Library Associations and Institutions (IFLA), the Fédération Internationale des Archives du Film (FIAF) and the Southeast Asia Pacific Audiovisual Archive Association (SEAPAVAA).
http://portal.unesco.org/ci/en/ev.php-URL_ID=17859&URL_DO=DO_TOPIC&URL_SECTION=201.html



Upcoming Events and Training

LIBER 34th Annual General Conference

Theme: Strategic choices: current thinking
Groningen (The Netherlands)

5-8 July 2005

<http://www.kb.dk/liber/conf/2005/index.htm>

Heritage Biocare

Introduction to biological problems for museum, library, archive gallery and cultural property staff.
Barcelona (Spain)

1-3 September 2005

<http://www.balaam-art.com>

ICOM 14th Triennial Meeting

Theme: Our cultural past - Your future!
The Hague (The Netherlands)

12-16 September 2005

<http://www.icom.org-cc2005.org>

Conservation of Transparent Paper

In cooperation with IADA
Berlin (Germany)

15-16 September 2005 (German)

22-23 September 2005 (English)

hombu@freenet.de

National Archives and Records Administration 19th Annual Conference Parchment and Titanium: Preserving the Charters of Freedom

Washington (USA)
22 September 2005

<http://www.archives.gov/preservation/conference-2005.html>

Digital Futures: From Digitisation to Delivery

26th - 30th September 2005 in London, UK.
Sponsored by King's College London and OCLC-PICA.

<http://www.kcl.ac.uk/kdcs/digifutures.htm>

Seminar on Identification and Preservation of Photograph Collections

Limited to 10 participants, English language
Barcelona (Spain)
26-28 October 2005
<http://www.balaam-art.com>

38th International Conference: Round Table on Archives (CITRA)

Theme: Building Memory in the Global Age
Abu Dhabi (United Arab Emirates),
25 November - 1 December 2005
canavaggio@ica.org

European Thematic Network Metals in Paper International Iron Gall Ink Meeting

Newcastle on Tyne (UK)
January 2006
<http://www.miponline.org>

See also

- **Conservation OnLine: Educational Opportunities in museum, library, and archives conservation/preservation**
<http://palimpsest.stanford.edu/bytopic/education/>
- ECPA Calendar of Events
<http://www.knaw.nl/ecpa/news.html>

IFLA 2006 Seoul

Plan to attend...



World Library and Information Congress: 72nd IFLA General Conference and Council

Libraries: Dynamic Engines for the Knowledge and Information Society
August 20-24, 2006

“In recent years, society has been changing rapidly with the onset of a new digital era and rapid developments in information technology and digital communications. It is time for libraries to work together with library scholars and professionals in order to fulfill the role and functions of 21st century information centres to meet the challenges of this fast moving world. This theme has been chosen because we believe that libraries should act as a dynamic engine for the knowledge and information society. This is to be the mission of library scholars and professionals worldwide in the new era.”

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See the Section website for contact information and more... <http://www.ifla.org/VII/s19/index.htm>

And into the future...

- 72nd IFLA General Conference and Council
Seoul, Republic of Korea, 2006
- 73rd IFLA General Conference and Council
Durban, South Africa, 2007
- 74th IFLA General Conference and Council
Quebec, Canada, 2008

See <http://www.ifla.org/IV/index.htm>