



ACTION PLAN for Professional Units -- Serials and Other Continuing Resources

Objectives of Professional Unit 2018/19:

1. **Monitor, report and promote standards and the importance of best practices in scholarly communication and continuing resources**

Connects to IFLA Strategic Direction 1 Libraries in Society key initiative (*Promoting IFLA Standards*)

Connects to IFLA Strategic Direction 2: Information and Knowledge key initiative (*A Sustainable Information Environment and An Equitable Copyright Framework*)

Connects to IFLA Strategic Direction 3: Cultural Heritage key initiative (*Preservation of Cultural Heritage*)

Connects to IFLA Strategic Direction 4: Capacity Building key initiative Capacity Building (*International Advocacy Programme*)

2. **Monitor, raise awareness and promote resolution of issues related to copyright, open access and other related scholarly communication matters**

Connects to IFLA Strategic Direction 1 Libraries in Society key initiative (*Promoting IFLA Standards and Changing Attitudes and Perceptions*)

Connects to IFLA Strategic Direction 2: Information and Knowledge key initiative (*A Sustainable Information Environment and An Equitable Copyright Framework*)

Connects to IFLA Strategic Direction 3: Cultural Heritage key initiative (*Preservation of Cultural Heritage*)

Connects to IFLA Strategic Direction 4: Capacity Building key initiative Capacity Building (*International Advocacy Programme*)

3. **Attract, involve and retain members from all parts of the scholarly communications and continuing resources information chain thereby raising the profile of the Serials and Other Continuing Resources Section of IFLA**

Connects to IFLA Strategic Direction 2: Information and Knowledge key initiative (*An Equitable Copyright Framework*)

Connects to IFLA Strategic Direction 3: Cultural Heritage key initiative (*Preservation of Cultural Heritage*)

Connects to IFLA Strategic Direction 4: Capacity Building key initiative (*International Advocacy Programme and Enhanced Regional Presence*)

1. Monitor, report and promote standards and the importance of best practices in scholarly communication and continuing resources

Project or Activity	1.1. Plan and organize conference programs which will promote best practices in serials and other continuing resources	
Main Tasks	1.1a. Standing committee members have the responsibility of planning and organizing the program on standards with the Committee on Standards for WLIC 2019	1.1b Standing committee members have the responsibility of planning and organizing the satellite on grey literature with the National Libraries Section for WLIC 2019
Responsibilities and timeline	<p>Chair and Secretary of SOCR are responsible for setting up the program subcommittee and scheduling specific activities to meet deadlines set by IFLA.</p> <p>The members of the program subcommittee will set up the program and report back to SC at designated meetings (conference calls)</p> <p>Engage with other sections or special interest groups which might share a common interest in the topic of the SOCRS open program</p> <p>The Information Coordinator will ensure maximum exposure via all avenues appropriate at times set in schedule.</p>	<p>Chair and Secretary of SOCR are responsible for setting up the satellite subcommittee and scheduling specific activities to meet deadlines set by IFLA.</p> <p>The members of the satellite subcommittee will set up the satellite and report back to SC at designated meetings (conference calls)</p> <p>Engage with other sections or special interest groups which might share a common interest in the topic of the SOCRS satellite</p> <p>The Information Coordinator will ensure maximum exposure via all avenues appropriate at times set in schedule.</p>

Resources		
Communications	The Program will be submitted for inclusion in the conference program and advertised on SOCRS' webpage, blog, Facebook page and listserv, as well as through other appropriate avenues for communication	Satellite will be submitted for inclusion in conference program and advertised on SOCRS' webpage, blog, Facebook page and listserv, as well as through other appropriate avenues for communication
Measures of Success	<p>Conference open program are discussed, scheduled, arranged and delivered</p> <p>All deadlines are met for 2018-19 in a timely manner.</p> <p>Numbers of attendees and positive evaluation forms</p> <p>All papers resulting from presentations are deposited in IFLA Library</p>	<p>Satellite program are discussed, scheduled, arranged and delivered</p> <p>All deadlines are met for 2018-19 in a timely manner.</p> <p>Numbers of attendees and positive evaluation forms</p> <p>All papers resulting from presentation are deposited in IFLA Library</p>
Progress		

Project or Activity	1.2 Facilitate and provide access to documentation and information on professional issues relating to scholarly communications and continuing resources	1.3 Continue to develop the SOCR webpages, blog and lists and maximize their potential uses for disseminating information and fostering dialogue
Main Tasks	1.2a. Identify resources (standards and best practices) and set up a web page from which the section can link to them	1.3a Update SOCR website and encourage use of blog and listserv throughout the year
Responsibilities and timeline	<p>SC to assign a section member to serve as lead on this project</p> <p>SC to assign the gathering of links for these resources to members based on geography and subject matter expertise</p> <p>SC members to have shared links with rest of the SC</p>	<p>SC identifies topics for blog posts and listserv discussions</p> <p>SC advertises goal of listserv as a forum for discussion and information sharing actively recruits stakeholders who have not done so already to sign up</p> <p>SC identifies plan and process to enable blogging on topics identified by the section</p>
Resources		
Communications	Existence of new web page is actively promoted through all avenues of communication	
Measures of Success		All SOCRS webpages are up to date and the blog and listservs are active based on feedback
Progress		

2. Monitor, raise awareness and promote resolution of issues related to copyright, open access and other related scholarly communication matters

Project or Activity	2.1 Further awareness of issues through encouraging development of awareness of issues submissions for papers for conference, mobilizing committee members to advocate in their own regions and highlighting issues on SOCRS webpages
Main Tasks	2.1a Promote use of all SC forums for communication and discussion for these topics
Responsibilities and timeline	SC program subcommittee to encourage papers on these topics SC to initiate listserv discussions on these topics SC to post on these topics on its blog
Resources	
Communications	
Measures of Success	Papers are presented on pertinent topics, blog posts are written on these topics, listserv discussions are initiated on these topics
Progress	

3. Attract, involve and retain members from all parts of the scholarly communications and continuing resources information chain thereby raising the profile of the Serials and Other Continuing Resources Section of IFLA

Project or Activity	3.1. All SC members to act as advocates in their regions, inviting greater involvement in IFLA and SOCR	3.2. Invite people who expressed interest in the SOCRS at the 2018 WLIC to become standing or corresponding members of the section	3.3. Change the name of the section to Scholarly Communication and Continuing Resources Section to reflect the changes in the nature of the section's work	3.4. Use listserv to initiate discussion and debate on "Hot topics" / "Issues of concern" with scholarly communications and continuing resource practitioners, where the IFLA SOCR Section may be able to raise awareness or facilitate a resolution.
Main Tasks				
Responsibilities and timeline	<p>All SC members to promote conference program, blog posts and listserv as forum for discussion</p> <p>SC members to reach out especially to underrepresented parts of serial and scholarly communications chains</p>	<p>Using Section listserv, all SC members discuss possible standing and corresponding members.</p> <p>SOCRS members contact potential standing and corresponding members to gauge interest in the section and send invitations to become standing and corresponding members.</p>	<p>Follow up on this change submitted to IFLA at WLIC 2017 after the restructuring of IFLA is announced in spring 2019</p>	<p>SC to identify and choose topics for listserv discussions</p> <p>The Chair and the Information Coordinator to agree on appropriately worded email to encourage participation and wider debate, in the hope of stimulating interest and informing future conference program topic planning by SOCRS</p> <p>At SOCR's conference program, invite attendees to attend section meeting</p> <p>Hold at least two mid-year conference calls to engage current members and gather their input.</p>

Resources				
Communications			Once the name change is approved, share this change through all avenues of communication.	
Measure of Success	<p>More active participation in SOCR blog, and listservs.</p> <p>Wider involvement and increased participation in SOCRS from currently under represented parts of the Continuing Resources and Scholarly Communication information chain (e.g. Publishers, Agents, aggregators, licensing bodies)</p>	Invitations to become standing and corresponding members	Increased interest in the section with a name which better reflects the nature of the work it represents in the library and information field	
Progress				

