



## Strategic Plan – IFLA Social Science Libraries Section – Division 1 – August 2011- August 2012

The Social Science Libraries Section proposes the following items for its strategic plan for 2011-2012.

### 1. Sponsor the creation of a new Special Interest Group – Religions in Dialogue or RELINDIAL

Relates to:

- IFLA Strategic Direction: Transforming the Profile and Standing of the Profession
- IFLA Goal 3: Advancing the profession through the development of standards and the promotion of specialized knowledge within the professional practice
- IFLA Key Initiative 3: Outreach Programme for Advocacy and Advancement of the Profession: connecting, collaborating, representing strategically

### 2. Publish and edit a book related to best practices in open access and digitization developed from the proceedings of the SSLS satellite conference held in Havana, Cuba, August 8-10, 2011 – *Social Science Libraries: A Bridge to Knowledge for Sustainable Development* (<http://www.ideals.illinois.edu/handle/2142/25649>). This work will include expanded and updated chapters by conference participants and others interested in the topic. The chapters included in this work will be published in both English and Spanish, thus supporting the movement toward multilingualism.

Relates to:

- IFLA Strategic Directions: Transforming the Profile and Standing of the Profession; Representing the Interests of IFLA's Members and Their Users Throughout the World
- IFLA Goal 3: Advancing the profession through the development of standards and the promotion of specialized knowledge within the professional practice
- IFLA Goal 4d: Stimulating and initiating activities to enable members to become advocates at local level for the value of libraries in their society
- IFLA Key Initiative 1: Digital Content Programme: Driving access to content, and digital resources, for library users
- IFLA Key Initiative 5: Multilingualism

### 3. Organize a conference program for the 2012 IFLA/WLIC in Helsinki, Finland related to the conference theme, "Libraries Now! Inspiring, Surprising, Empowering," and the presidential programme theme, "Libraries a Force for Change." Our draft program title is "Empowering Library Users to Solve Problems: Our Stories."

Relates to:

- IFLA Strategic Direction: Representing the Interests of IFLA's Members and Their Users Throughout the World
- IFLA Goal 4e: Implementing an advocacy structure that includes the Presidential Programme (Libraries a Force for Change)
- IFLA Key Initiative 3: Outreach Programme for Advocacy and Advancement of the Profession: connecting, collaborating, representing strategically

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