Guidelines for Submitting the Bi-Annual Sub-Regional Reports.

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The Regional Standing Committee for Asia and Oceania (RSCAO) spans a vast region comprising 62 countries. The region is divided into six sub-regions to facilitate the flow of information and activities in the sub region, i. e. Central Asia, North East Asia, South East Asia, South Asia, West Asia and Oceania. A RSCAO member from the relevant region is assigned as Sub Regional Convener on a voluntary and informal basis for a two year term (Extendable for another two years).

The key role of the Sub-Regional Conveners is to convey information about activities involving the sub-region to the RSCAO. The overall role is spelt out in the <u>A&O Section Handbook (p. 1-2)</u>.

As part of this role, they will be asked to provide a brief bi-annual report (for SC Meetings in the mid-term and at WLIC).

In preparing the report, sub-regional conveners should:

- 1. Bear in mind the <u>Sub-Regional Grouping of Asia and Oceania Countries</u> and focus their report on the countries in their respective sub-region only.
- Use sub-regional networks, to get in touch with professional and other developments in the sub-region. This might include national library associations, national library, regional library groups, libraries, library schools, and conference organizers and so on.
- 3. Engage RSCAO members in their sub-region and others for information and assistance (see List of Current RSCAO members by Sub-Region).

When submitting the report, they should

- 4. Report their achievements in the key roles and responsibilities.
- 5. Provide brief details, with links to further information where available, of maximum TWO most impactful local and regional activities in countries of their sub-region, for example, activities of: library association/s; national libraries; library studies programs; any conferences, workshops or seminars and so on.
- 6. Use the Sub-Regional Convener Report Template
- 7. Report should preferably be no more than TWO pages.
- 8. Submit the report in word format before the RSCAO mid-term meeting and WLIC.