



## Division of Bibliographic Control Classification and Indexing Section

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### Standing Committee (SC)

#### MINUTES of the Meetings

SC1: Saturday, 9 August 2008, 8.30-11.20, Room 204b, Québec City Convention Centre

SC2: Friday, 15 August 2008, 14.00-16.50, Room 204b, Québec City Convention Centre

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SC1: Saturday, 9 August 2008

Present: Patrice Landry (chair), Marie Balíková, Françoise Bourdon, Leda Bultrini (secretary), Gordon Dunsire, Jonathan Furner, Yvonne Jahns, Anne-Céline Lambotte, Dorothy McGarry, David Miller, Edward O'Neill, Bernadette Patte, Ingebjørg Rype, Eunice Maria Silva Pinto, Magdalena Svanberg, Thordis Thorarinsdóttir, Barbara Tillett, Maria Witt, Ekaterina Zaytseva

Apologies: Billie Hackney, Sirje Nilbe

Absent:

Observers: Julianne Beall, Jo-Anne Bélair, Christel Hengel, Mireille Huneault, Christine Jacobs, Birdie MacLennan, Joan S. Mitchell, Eeva Murtomaa, Chris Oliver, Federica Paradisi, Mina Pease, Lori Robare, Sandy Roe, Chris Todd, Marcia Zeng, Maja Žumer,

#### 1. Welcome and introductions

Patrice Landry welcomed all members, including the new member (Jonathan Furner), and observers. The roster was sent around for updates.

#### 2. Approval of the agenda

The agenda was approved.

#### 3. Minutes of the Durban Meetings, 2007

The minutes were approved.

#### 4. Financial report.

Patrice Landry reported the Section still had its Administrative funds of 610 Euros – nothing was yet spent. If not spent before the end of the current year, the sum will be transferred to the IFLA Foundation budget.

#### 5. Report from the Professional Committee (PC) and Governing Board (GB) Meeting

Patrice Landry was asked to remind everyone to always wear their IFLA badge to facilitate the work of the volunteers; he explained how to obtain printed copies of the presentations and reminded the SC that we should recommend papers for publication in IFLA Journal and in ICBC. ICBC (International Cataloguing and Bibliographic Control) has first right of refusal for articles proposed by the Sections of the Division IV.

IFLA has finished the process of reviewing its Statutes. There will be a question and answer session on Sunday 12.45-13.45, in room 2000bc to explain what was the result of that review.

There was a postal ballot that approved the changes and a formal approval will be requested at the Council Meeting on Thursday.

IFLA publications. New IFLA publications will be presented on Thursday, 13.45-14.45.

New IFLA professional structure: The new structure will come into force at the Milan IFLA Conference. In the SC meeting, on Friday, Patrice will give more information on the election process that will start this October. At the end of next year's conference our Section will be part of a group of 11 Sections, constituting Division 3. The structure and management of Sections will not be affected by these changes.

The Section Officers (Chairs and Secretaries) whose terms expire in August 2009 (first and second term) are eligible to be nominated for chair of their Division.

This new structure will be a major challenge for the Division IV Sections that deal with bibliographic control aspects. Over the years, there have been many initiatives and projects among the Bibliography, Cataloguing and Classification and Indexing Sections. There has been a bit less with Knowledge Management as it is a newer Section and not so much involved in bibliographic control. It is hoped that the cooperation will continue among the Sections.

The IFLA Conference programme always has a President Elect focus group to help the new president to clarify the presidential theme. President Elect Ellen Tise's theme is "Access to information". She would like to have at least one person from each Section participate in the focus group that takes place on Tuesday 12, 8.30-12.45. Unfortunately this year, the President Elect's brainstorming session overlaps some planned meetings that the members of the SC are involved in. Patrice reminded that this brainstorming exercise is a good opportunity for the new members to get involved in IFLA activities.

No one volunteered to participate.

IFLA is working on its new website. There will be a session to inform the officers about what has been done, but it will be possible for everyone to see the new website at the exhibit area.

The new website should be in operation in January 2009 with the possibility of accessing it later on in 2008. Feedback from the users would be useful. Our Section should use the new website with the maximum of creativity to promote its activities.

Up to now, there have been 3200 registered participants at the Conference. The local organisers are hoping to reach the number of 4000 before the end of the Conference.

The Governor General of Canada will attend the Opening Ceremony on Sunday morning. Participants are requested to be sitting before she arrives.

27 cases of visa problems were reported (of which 3 cases have already been resolved) One important impact is that the Arabic interpreters have not been issued visas and this will affect the Arabic simultaneous translation. The local organizer is working on getting local Arabic translators for some of the larger sessions.

There is the possibility that next year in Italy a pre-conference will be held on the digital library. It will be a closed conference, reserved for invited participants. Anna Maria Tamaro, chair of Division VII Education and Research, will give more information in the following days. The pre-conference will be held either during the Milan conference or after and is fully funded by public sponsorship.

## 6. Section Developments since the last meeting

### 6.1 Planning of the Québec Conference

Yvonne Jahns along with Bernadette Patte and Anne-Céline Lambotte coordinated the Québec City Conference Programme. They collected 12 abstracts from different countries, read them, discussed them and found most of them very interesting. The presenter of one of the four chosen papers, from

China, announced later that he couldn't come to Québec City. This is unfortunate as another paper could have been selected instead. Yvonne Jahns complained of the long delays in issuing the call for papers on the IFLA website. A lesson coming from this selection is that it's necessary to circulate the information about the call for papers as soon as possible, also by e-mail, to our contacts. As already stressed last year, the papers are often too long. Twenty-page documents are too long to be translated.

Patrice Landry reported that other Sections, too, had problems in posting on the IFLA website. There has been a change in the people working on this task. Now the problems should be resolved. He agreed the papers should be shorter and reported that a service to translate papers in French was organized and that the papers translated are often the shortest ones. A length of 6 to 8 pages should be encouraged.

Yvonne encouraged volunteers for the selection of the papers for the next conference programmes saying that the bureaucratic procedures are very few and it is a very good experience.

Patrice reminded everyone that for 2009 two similar groups of selectors are required, one for the conference programme and another one for the satellite meeting.

#### 6.2 Report of the WG on Guidelines for Multilingual Thesauri

Patrice reported that the work is almost finished. Last year the WG decided that the text should be revised once again. It was sent to Jonathan for the revision of the English. The revision and harmonization of the definitions is the work still to be done. The goal is to hand it in to be published as an IFLA professional publication.

Patrice thanked Dorothy McGarry, Lois Chan, Jonathan Furner and Marcia Zeng for their work on the Guidelines.

#### 6.3 Report of the WG on Guidelines for Subject Access by NBAs

Patrice apologized for not having been able to work very much as the chair of this WG because of his many commitments at work as well as Chair of the Division. He will consult during the week and on Friday propose a new chair if necessary.

#### 6.4 Report of the WG on Functional Requirements for Subject Authority Records (FRSAR)

Marcia Zeng reported on the activity of the WG, which had 3 meetings during the Durban Conference (one of them was a 6 hour meeting) and another one in May. Since last year the main chapters of the document, nine, have been drafted. The WG will meet twice during the Québec conference. One of the main issues of this phase of the work is to be consistent with the final version of FRAD. The WG will meet with Glenn Patton to work in this direction. The draft of FRSAR should be ready in early 2009.

Marcia also reported about the successful session at the ISKO Conference where the work done by the Working Group had been presented.

#### 6.5 Report on other actions undertaken by the Section in 2006/ 2007 (membership, liaison)

Nothing to report.

#### 6.6 Section Newsletter

#### 6.7 Appointment of Section Information Coordinator

The PC discussed the question of whether the Information Coordinator should be an IFLA officer. The Information coordinator who is also the Newsletter editor does a lot of work and has many responsibilities. This is why the PC is wondering if he/she should be an officer, such as the positions of chair and the secretary. The Sections are requested to consider this point in order to allow the division to express a common position.

Two issues of the Section Newsletter were published. Patrice expressed appreciation regarding its professional look, the terms for the publication were met and most of the members of the SC contributed. He informed the SC that Billie Hackney was obliged to resign as our Section's Information Coordinator and Newsletter Editor, because her institution will no longer fund her activity. She volunteered to help the new coordinator, but we need someone who can take this role officially. David Miller volunteered to be the new Information Coordinator and Newsletter Editor for the period of 2009-2011.

## 7. Overview of the Québec Conference Programme

### 7.1 Open Forum of the Division

Patrice reminded members of the programme of the Division to be held on Monday, 4.00-6.00 p.m., where he will present an overview of the projects and the work of the four Sections of the Division IV since the 1990s. He expressed appreciation that three important institutions (Library of Congress, Library and Archives Canada, Bibliothèque et Archives nationales du Québec) are represented in the programme.

### 7.2 Open Programme of the Section

This point was already discussed.

### 7.3 WGs meeting time during this conference – WG chairs

Meetings of the WG on FRSAR and WG on Multilingual Thesauri were planned. As for the WG on Guidelines for Subject Access by NBAs, no meeting is planned as Patrice will be consulting on the future leadership of this WG.

### 7.4 Establishment of new working groups

No new working groups were proposed.

Barbara Tillett reminded the Chair and members that the MulDiCat Working Group is missing in the Agenda. Last year she explored the possibility of finding the technological support needed by the cooperative work this project required at the Library of Congress, but this was impossible. There is hope that the new IFLA website will be used (wiki).

Jo-Ann Bélair and Leda Bultrini represented the Section in this project up to now. Since it is now an open project, everyone can contribute.

Françoise Bourdon asked if the IME ICC glossary will be used. Barbara answered that all existing IFLA tools will be used. The English terms and definitions will be the starting point and the equivalents in other languages will be added.

Gordon Dunsire added that it will be an interesting tool in the logic of Web 2.0.

### 7.5 Planning future SC committee meetings: new agenda structure

Patrice reminded the members that, as the PC confirmed, the Standing Committees are not obliged to have two meetings. He also asked for proposal for a new structure of the Agenda.

The members confirmed that they consider it important to have the two meetings, before and after the Conference, since they deal with different themes and are both important (Eunice Pinto); the participants need to be free to attend the sessions during the conference (Dorothy McGarry), considering that SC meetings during the Conference would reduce the time for WG meetings (Françoise Bourdon); we need time to give information and to draw conclusions after the Conference (Barbara Tillett).

Ed O'Neill stressed that it should be avoided that a SC had the first meeting early in the morning and the second one late in the afternoon, obliging the members to spend two more nights than those required by the Conference, as is the case for our SC this year.

**Decision:** The SC decided to maintain both meetings in the future. Patrice will try to avoid the same scheduling of the meetings that we had this year.

Patrice proposed to reduce the time for discussing and planning the open programme of the Section for future IFLA conferences. He suggested that this task could be done before the meeting by e-mail.

This would free up time to discuss technical themes, such as reports on DDC working group's activity or reports on national news on classification and indexing.

David added that it's a good opportunity to discuss together, but we should work more at home, before the meetings, to prepare. Françoise said it would be useful to have time to ask for more details about the national reports during the meetings.

Patrice proposed to manage the planning for the Brisbane open session in a different way.

#### 7.6 2009 Milan Conference Plans (Milan, Italy, August 2009)

Patrice reminded everyone that the theme of the Milan Conference is "Looking at the Past and Preparing for the Future", and the theme we proposed last year for our open session was "Foundation to Build Future Subject Access". Barbara proposed to take into account some important projects, and among them the OCLC project on terminology. Leda suggested presenting the results of the work on FRSAR, since the draft of the document should be ready by next summer. A short debate followed about having a call for papers for the open session or not. The SC decided not to have it, considering that there will be the satellite meeting which will require a call for papers (expecting to select 12 papers). Patrice proposed to add to the FRSAR report and to the presentation of the OCLC project, a presentation about indexing in Italy. Leda proposed a presentation about semantic OPACs in Italy, to be consistent with the intention of the SC to have technical themes and project in the open session and theoretical presentation in the satellite meeting.

#### 7.7 2009 Satellite Meeting (Firenze, August 2009)

Patrice presented his general point of view on the pre-conference.

1. One of the goals of the satellite meetings is recruitment. After participating in a satellite meeting, a librarian should have a greater desire to participate in IFLA conferences.
2. The satellite meeting must be as cheap as possible, since the Milan IFLA Conference will be expensive (€400.00). We should also consider that indexers and cataloguers often have limited budgets.
3. Mrs. Antonia Fontana is working to find sponsors for the satellite meetings (3), which will be held in Florence, but we need specific sponsors for our meeting.
4. The Section must be completely autonomous in deciding about the organization of the meeting.

Ed asked that the satellite meeting be organized in a way that allows participants to reach Milan the same day as the satellite meeting ends to save hotel costs.

Patrice asked the members to choose between 19-20 and 20-21 of August. The SC voted for 20-21, considering that an extra day between the satellite meeting and the IFLA conference is not acceptable because of costs and limited budgets for potential participants.

Antonia Fontana said that a gala dinner was planned for August the 19<sup>th</sup> but she will try to postpone it to the 20<sup>th</sup>. She added that she hopes to find both public and private sponsors for the expenses of the dinner.

#### 7.8 2010 Brisbane Conference Plans

#### 7.9 Section's Strategic Plan (2007-2009)-Formal approval

The items were deferred to the Friday's meeting.

Jo-Ann Bélair gave information about the Division Social Hour, scheduled for Tuesday from 5-6 p.m.

SC2: Friday, 15 August 2008

Present: Patrice Landry (chair), Marie Balíková, Françoise Bourdon, Leda Bultrini (secretary), Gordon Dunsire, Jonathan Furner, Yvonne Jahns, Anne-Céline Lambotte, Dorothy McGarry, David Miller, Sirje Nilbe, Edward O'Neill, Bernadette Patte, Ingebjørg Rype,

Mandana Sadigh-Behzadi (corresponding member), Magdalena Svanberg, Thordis Thorarinsdóttir, Barbara Tillett, Ekaterina Zaytseva  
Apologies: Billie Hackney, Eunice Maria Silva Pinto  
Absent: Maria Witt

Observers: Julianne Beall, Jo-Anne Bélair, Denis Castonguay, Antonia Ida Fontana, Christel Hengel, Mireille Huneault, Judy Kuhagen, Ossama Mahmoud, Joan Mitchell, Federica Paradisi, Pat Riva, Chris Todd, Nancy Williamson.

Before starting the discussion on the remaining issues of the Agenda, Patrice Landry asked Yvonne Jahns to report on a recent publication in honour of a former member of the SC, Magda Heiner – Freiling. She indicated that some of the articles in the publication “New Perspectives in Subject Indexing and Classification in an International Context” were given at a conference held in April at the Deutsche Nationalbibliothek. She also thanked the SC members (Marie Baliková, Gordon Dunsire, Dorothy McGarry, Patrice Landry, Magdalena Svanberg, Ed O’Neil, Ekaterina Zaytseva), as well as others present at the meeting (observers: Julianne Beall, Joan Mitchell, Federica Paradisi) who contributed to the symposium and to the publication and she said that the volume can be ordered by e-mail at the address [c.junker@d-nb.de](mailto:c.junker@d-nb.de). Patrice congratulated Yvonne and the staff at the Deutsche Nationalbibliothek for the great work they have done in putting together this quality publication and in having organized the conference in Frankfurt in such a short time.

## 8 Discussion / Evaluation of Québec Conference

### 8.1 Open Forum of the Division

Leda Bultrini noted that she enjoyed the fact that the programme had three full presentations and a shorter one and that there had been enough time for questions. Françoise Bourdon commented that more effort should be done to translate the papers. Patrice said that we had better results at the Section level, but the Division presentations did not get that many translations. Another point is to try to have the presentations published on the IFLA website in advance. At the Division Coordinating Board, in the afternoon, it will be decided which programme to present at the Milan Conference at the Division session, if it is confirmed that a Division session will take place. Patrice stressed that next year will be the last one for the Division as we know it. Barbara Tillett proposed to present projects such as FRAD or IME ICC at a Division level since they should be shared at that level.

### 8.2 Open programme of the Section

Patrice reported that 200 people more or less attended the Section Programme. David Miller commented that he enjoyed having different perspectives on a problem. On the one hand, it was a pity not to have the Chinese colleague, but, on the other hand, it was good to have time for the discussion. Patrice added that the presenters appreciated having enough time to illustrate their projects.

### 8.3 Overall organisation

Negative comments were made on the overlapping of sessions or meeting potentially interesting for the same people, on the difficulties in finding the IFLA Express, on the way some speakers presented their papers, speaking too quickly, not articulating clearly, with an excess of jargon and acronyms. There were also problems in hotel booking or in registrations of accompanying persons. People coming from hotels far from the Convention Centre had problems with transportation. The queues for the coffee were too long.

On the positive side, the volunteers were excellent and always smiling, the poster area was very good and well integrated in the exhibition. The wifi system was very useful, easy and efficient. It was very useful to have all the meetings in one place, well organized, where it was easy to move from one room to another.

In the next years it could be useful to have a shuttle bus from the hotels to the conference venue or at least a bus pass as in Glasgow or Berlin. The unpleasant problems with the visas must be avoided.

### 8.4 Identify the Section’s candidate paper for publication in “IFLA Journal”

Our Division must send the proposals to ICBC (International Cataloguing and Bibliographic Control) first. David, as a member of the IFLA Journal editorial board, reminded members that it was decided to publish fewer papers from the conference, since they are posted on IFLANET, and more papers coming from outside. The policy of IFLA Journal will also change because the number of Divisions will decrease.

The members chose the paper by Vivien Petras, "Cross-concordances: terminology mapping and its effectiveness for information retrieval" and the paper by Anila Angjeli and Antoine Isaac, "Semantic web and vocabularies interoperability: an experiment with illuminations collections".

After 37 years of publication, the ICBC journal has heavy financial problems (€10.000 deficit in 2007). The main reason is that fewer and fewer institutions subscribe to it. An analysis of the reason why the journal is not relevant anymore must be done. Barbara Tillett suggested that a solution for the financial problems could be to publish an electronic version of the journal. Françoise Bourdon remarked that some articles published in ICBC are not original, but are taken from the IFLA website. Ed O'Neill suggested informing the authors of the papers chosen just now for publication in ICBC that the future of the journal is uncertain and that it could, therefore, happen that their papers will not be published.

**Action:** Chair will send the selected papers to Anders Cato.

## 9 IFLA matters

Patrice reminded the members of the election process. In October 2008 there will be the call for nominations for Standing Committee members for the period 2009-2013. The call will be sent to all eligible members of the respective Sections.

In October 2008 IFLA HQ will distribute the call for nominations for chairs of the five new Divisions for the term 2009-2011. This call will be sent to the current officers (chairs and secretaries) of the respective Sections. The Section officers whose terms expire in August 2009 are eligible to be nominated.

In October 2008 IFLA/HQ will also distribute the call for nominations for the chair of the Professional Committee (PC) 2009-2011. This Call will be sent to the current Officers (chairs and secretaries) of all Sections. The Division officers who are currently serving on the PC (2007-2009) are eligible to be nominated. Section officers may be eligible to stand for a second term as chair or secretary, but they cannot serve as Section officer and Division officer during the same term.

The deadline for all submissions will be February 2009 and the results will be processed by IFLA/HQ during February/March 2009.

Patrice stressed that it's important that an officer of one of the Sections of our current Division be interested in becoming the chair of the new Division to support the themes of bibliographic control. He reminded members that Leda Bultrini is at the end of her term both as secretary and as a member of the SC. Patrice will also be ending his second term as Chair. He cannot stand for re-election for the position of Division Chair as this position is limited to one term.

Patrice informed the SC that the FRBR Review Group asked IFLA for a namespace on IFLANET<sup>1</sup>. They are waiting for an answer from Fiona Bradley (project lead of the IFLA website project). It would be appropriate that the work made within IFLA would remain under the IFLA "brand". Barbara suggested that the same solution would be suitable for the MulDiCat project.

## 10 Unfinished business or updates from the first meeting

See 14. New Business

## 11 2009 Milan Conference plans (Milan, Italy, August 2009)

Leda, who had proposed during the first SC meeting to have in the open session a paper on semantic OPACs in Italy, proposed to replace it with a review of the Italian "state of the art" in subject indexing. She could give the SC the name of the presenter in a few weeks when back in Italy. The proposal was approved.

Ed O'Neill confirmed that Diane Vizine-Goetz, main researcher in the Terminology services research project at OCLC, can present the project in the Open session.

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<sup>1</sup> See document attached

## 12 2009 Milan Conference plans (Satellite meeting)

Patrice asked Leda to report on a meeting held on Thursday with Local Organisers and Planning Committee Members of the other two satellite meetings which will take place in Florence.

The participants in the meeting were Reinhard Altenhöner, IT Section chair; Alenka Kavcic Colic, IT Section secretary; Edmund Balnaves, IT Information coordinator; Antonia Fontana, director of the National Library in Florence; Federica Paradisi, National Library in Florence; Mike Heaney, Statistics Section secretary; Joan Stein Editorial Board PM; Leda Bultrini; Patrice Landry; and Anna Maria Tamaro, Education Section Chair.

The local organizers for our Satellite Meeting will be Federica Paradisi (National Library Florence) and Massimo Rolle (Regione Toscana and Italian Research Group on Subject Indexing GRIS member).

The Meeting will be held 20-21 Aug 2009. The venue has to be confirmed in September. Accommodation arrangements and block bookings will be done by an Agency to be selected among some agencies already contacted.

An Italian Foundation, Fondazione Rinascimento Digitale, could manage online registration and payment, opening a Bank account with the possibility of on-line payment with credit cards, distinguishing the three Meetings. A decision will be communicated by local organisers in September.

A website for the first announcement and Call for papers will be done by Fondazione Rinascimento Digitale before the end of September. The Call for papers and the proceedings will be hosted on the IFLA website. In addition, Fondazione Rinascimento Digitale will assign all papers a permanent identifier. The deadline for the Call for papers will be sent in October and the deadline will be in February. Possibly a CD could contain all the proceedings.

Social events will be shared by Sections. A welcome event is planned in the Sala dei Cinquecento and a social dinner in the Palazzo Pitti. The Local Organisers will try to limit the costs and find local sponsors. Fontana has contacted the local government to obtain the use of the venues for the social evening. The social event has to be included in the fee.

Each satellite meeting will have its own budget and a maximum fee per meeting day will be set (deadline in September). This fee will be set jointly by the local organisers and the programme planning chairs. A possible fee could be: Euro 150 x day.

Catering and local arrangements will be done by local organisers within the budget limits.

A Secretary for the Satellite Meetings in Florence will be appointed by Fondazione Rinascimento Digitale (Digital Renaissance Foundation – New Technologies for Cultural Heritage, a Foundation supported by the Cassa di Risparmio Savings Bank of Florence, which operates in all of the sectors connected with the production, preservation, and diffusion of digital memories). During the Meetings, three expert secretaries will support the participants, together with volunteers.

Antonia Fontana said to the members that the fees for our Meeting should be € 150,00 euros, more or less, since it will last one day and a half and there will be no lunch the second day.

Patrice asked Joan Mitchell to report about the organization of the Satellite Meeting *Subject Retrieval in a Networked Environment* held in 2001 in Dublin, Ohio.

Joan reported that the Meeting lasted 2 full days. There were 23 presentations, on 5 themes. The call for papers was launched in October. The deadline for abstracts was the end of November. Some presenters were invited by the selection committee. Before January the 15<sup>th</sup>, the papers were accepted. The deadline to receive the papers was the beginning of July.

The fee for the Meeting was 250 USD, including 2 lunches and 2 dinners. There were 81 participants. The selection committees had 6 members.

Françoise suggested that copies of papers should be given to the participants, since there will not be simultaneous translations.

Patrice added that a sponsor should be found to pay for the printing of these copies as well as for folders and a flyer promoting the Conference.

6 members could make up the scientific committee. The Meeting will have 3 sessions and the members could be in charge of different sessions and not have too many papers to examine.

The scientific committee must include people coming from different countries and speaking different languages.

Patrice will be the chair of the committee. Leda, as a member of the committee, will be the liaison with the local organizers. The following members volunteered: Ed O'Neill, Jonathan Furner, Anne-Céline Lambotte, Bernadette Patte, Ekaterina Zaytseva.

Françoise will be the chair of the open session at the IFLA Conference and she will press to obtain the translations of the papers.

### 13 2010 Brisbane Conference Plans

The theme of the Conference is *Engaging, Embracing, Empowering*. It was suggested to focus attention on the users and to consider the empowering of the developing countries.

Patrice asked the members to send suggestions to Leda before the end of September to let her add them to the minutes.

**Action:** The members will send suggestions to Leda.

The following **suggestions arrived in September:**

Barbara Tillett.

1. "Empowering Users through Subject Access to Resources"

We could get presentations on various ways systems have mined subject cataloging data (classification and indexing/subject headings/thesauri) and presented it to improve the user experience - maybe go together with the IT Section.

2. "Empowering Cataloguers through New Subject Tools"

Another idea is to focus on the cataloguers and what's new to Empower them to do their classification or subject heading assignment/validation more easily - services and products that can help them with Dewey, LCC, UDC and various controlled subject term vocabularies, etc.

Magdalena Svanberg

1. Power to the user! : Classification and indexing as tools for searching and navigating.
2. Searching and navigating: classification and indexing from the user's point of view

(But she also thinks that Barbara's suggestions are very good).

Gordon Dunsire

1. Interoperability between professional (controlled) vocabularies and user-generated (uncontrolled) tags.
2. Improving user-generated tagging by giving them access to professional vocabularies - this may result from the SKOS/Semantic Web declarations of LCSH, LCNAF, etc. announced by the Library of Congress, and similar initiatives (DDC? UDC?)

He, however, remarked that these are in early stages of development, so there may not be sufficient output to present by 2010.

He alluded to this in a recent presentation to the UK's Cataloguing and Indexing Group 2008 conference (see: <http://cdlr.strath.ac.uk/pubs/dunsireg/cig2008.pps>).

He added that other presentations made similar observations, resulting in some interesting discussions.

### 14 New business and 10 Unfinished business or updates from the first meeting

WG activities.

WG on Multilingual Thesauri.

Patrice reported that the WG on Multilingual Thesauri had met during the Conference. They fixed the deadline of September the 15th to finish what is still missing. The final draft of the document will be sent to the members, because it has to be approved before letting it be published. The members are only required to say "yes" or "no" to the document, not to propose amendments. A "no" answer is considered an agreement. A deadline for answers will be fixed. Afterwards, the draft will be sent to IFLA HQ to be published in the IFLA Professional Reports series.

#### WG on Guidelines for Subject Access by NBAs

Patrice reported that he will continue to chair the WG. His workload for 2008-2009 will allow him to invest more time in the work of the WG. He will send the working framework of the project to the members of the WG, and they will choose to which domain of the work they want to apply. He will prepare a project proposal including a meeting in Paris, in order to be well ahead with the work before Milan 2009.

All the members of the WG confirmed they were still interested in the work. No other member of the SC volunteered. The members of the WG are Marie Baliková, Julianne Beall, Francoise Bourdon, Leda Bultrini, Jonathan Furner, Yvonne Jahns, Dorothy McGarry, Sirje Nilbe, Eunice Pinto, Magdalena Svanberg, Thordis Thorarinsdóttir and Ingebjorg Rype, Ekaterina Zaytseva.

**Action: Patrice Landry**

#### FRSAR WG

The first draft of the document should be finished before the end of October.

Patrice distributed a flyer with information on the UDC.

Ekaterina Zaytseva distributed a brochure on the Sixteenth International Conference "Crimea 2009", *Libraries and Information Resources in the Modern World of Science, Culture, Education, and Business*, inviting members and observers to participate. Patrice suggested sending such information about conferences to the SC Newsletter.

Barbara informed the members she will send them the final draft of the IME ICC Statement of International Cataloguing Principles before the end of the year. Before the document is published by IFLA, it must be approved by all the Sections of Division IV.

Patrice informed the members that Gordon Dunsire, co-chair of the DCMI RDA Task Group which is establishing a namespace for RDA elements will serve as lead consultant to the FRBR Namespace Project, with the aim to define namespaces for FRBR in RDF and other appropriate syntaxes.

#### Section's Strategic Plan (2007-2009)-Formal approval (8.3 of the Agenda)

Barbara reminded members that the Strategic Plan had to be approved. Action 4.5 "Update the Section information in the Division brochure" was eliminated, since the structure of the Division will change, and Action 4.6 became Action 4.5.

The Strategic Plan was then approved.

#### Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 16:40