

ACTION PLAN for Professional Units

Name of Professional Unit:

NOIR - National Organisations and International Relations

Objectives of Professional Unit/Strategic Programme Committee 2015-16:

- 1. Greater awareness for the added value of strategy-driven, well-organised International Relations (IR) in the library and information field*
- 2. Exchange of knowledge and best practice in the development and maintenance of suitable IR structures*
- 3. Support and inspiration for colleagues working in IR for the library and information sector*

Through its focus on awareness-raising for and establishment of appropriate, sustainable infrastructures for International Relations on the national level, NOIR will make a substantial contribution to IFLAs Strategic Direction 4: Capacity Building. Within that framework, it particularly supports the following key initiatives:

- Advancement of Leadership (through exchange of knowledge and best practice)*
- International Advocacy (through generation of greater awareness for the added value of IR)*
- Inclusion of Public Libraries (through the promotion of their inclusion in IR structures on national level)*

Our SIG's aim is to create a global best-practice community of "pioneers and power users" in national library organisations and institutions responsible for International Relations; a community that can inspire and support others who want to create permanent agencies for IR in their countries' library sector, and that can act as a sounding board and incubator for related ideas and initiatives.

Objectives <i>What do you want to achieve? Use your list above</i>	Project or activity <i>What project or activity are you going to do?</i>	Main tasks <i>What are the specific things you need to do?</i>	Responsibilities and timeline <i>Who will do them and by when?</i>	Resources <i>Do you need specific skills, money or technology?</i>	Communications <i>How will you communicate your achievements? To whom? By when?</i>	Measures of success <i>How will you show the impact of your work?</i>	Progress <i>Report here the progress of your work, at least every month</i>
1. Greater awareness for the added value of IR 2. Exchange of knowledge and best practice in IR 3. Support for colleagues working mainly in IR for libraries and information	I. Planning Meeting at German Library Congress March 2016: Developing NOIR input for WLIC and beyond (to be submitted to wider NOIR group), exploring opportunities for EU funding	Event management: submission of session, development of meeting content, recruitment of expert on EU funding, documentation	Submission (convenor), recruitment of expert (convenor), meeting content (convenor and co-chairs with input from participating NOIR members) by mid-February 2016	We will tap the skills set & expertise of our NOIR group	NOIR website & mailing list, IFLA-L (to IFLA audience) / cascading into national channels, mailing lists, twitter accounts etc (to local professional communities) after delivery of event	No., of participants, participants feedback, anecdotal evidence	Expert recruited in Sep 2015 Session proposal submitted to German programme committee in Sep 2015
1. Greater awareness for the added value of IR 2. Exchange of knowledge and best practice in IR	II. Session at WLIC August 2016: "How do international relations add value? Innovation through internationalisation"	Event management: Submission of development of programme, recruitment of speakers, documentation	Co-chairs and convenor with input from participating NOIR members in accordance with central WLIC preparation deadlines	We will tap the skills set & expertise of our NOIR group	NOIR website & mailing list, IFLA-L (to IFLA audience) / cascading into national channels, mailing lists, twitter accounts etc (to local professional communities) after delivery of event	No. of participants, participants feedback, anecdotal evidence	Session proposal submitted to IFLA HQ in Nov 2015

3. Support for colleagues working mainly in IR for libraries and information	III. Creation and/or provision of material (guidelines, check-lists, templates and similar tools)	Collation of suitable resources, publication on NOIR website, dissemination via mailing lists etc	All NOIR members (collation of material), convenor (publication and dissemination), ongoing	We will tap the skills set & expertise of our NOIR group	NOIR website & mailing list, IFLA-L (to IFLA audience) / cascading into national channels, mailing lists, twitter accounts etc (to local professional communities) ongoing	Statistics such as no. of website visits, and (re)tweets, feedback from users	Updating of website has started in Nov 2015
3. Support for colleagues working mainly in IR for libraries and information	IV. Creation of an up-to-date overview of contact persons for IR at national library organisations	Collection of data, acquisition of consent from	All NOIR members (collection of contacts), convenor (data protection) A basic list to be compiled by Mar 2016	We will tap the skills set & expertise of our NOIR group	For internal usage		A basic list to be compiled by Mar 2016

Next steps

Please send your completed Action Plan to Joanne Yeomans (joanne.yeomans@ifla.org) and Division Chair by 30th October 2015.

Questions?

If you have questions or would like help with your Action Plan, please contact Joanne Yeomans (joanne.yeomans@ifla.org). We're ready to help.