



## **Regional Standing Committee of Asia and Oceania (RSCAO)**

### **Annual Report 2013**

#### **SCOPE**

The main objectives of the Section are to initiate, promote and facilitate the development of library and information services and the library profession within the five sub-regions of Asia and Oceania: West Asia, South Asia, Southeast Asia, East Asia and Oceania. The Section works in cooperation with the other Regional Sections and all of IFLA's Sections and Core Activities, especially the Action for Development through Libraries Programme.

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| <p><b>MEETINGS</b></p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>z Midterm Meeting<br/> RSCAO 2013 the Mid-Term Meetings held in Taipei, Taiwan on February 23-25, 2013 was held in Taipei, Lebanon during February 1-3, 2010.</li> <li>z WLIC 2010 Standing Committee Meeting I (SC I) was held on August 18th (Sunday) 13:45 – 15:45, at Room 309, Singapore</li> <li>z WLIC 2010 Standing Committee Meeting II (SC II) was held on August 22nd (Tuesday) 11:30 – 13:00 at Room 310, Singapore</li> </ul>   |
| <p><b>PROJECTS</b></p> | <p>ALP Projects in the Asia and Oceania region that commenced in 2013:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>z IFLA Headquarters, Regional Office, Goethe Institute (Jakarta) and National Library Board Singapore collaborative project on National Library – Asia Pacific (NL-AP) Digital Library.</li> <li>z BSLA programme chaired by an IFLA Staff and participants include a representative from IFLA Headquarters and BSLA Trainers and at least 2 participants from each Library Associations in the Region.</li> <li>z Regional Activities: Asia and Oceania Section Workshop on Digital Divide, 2 March 2003, Sri Lanka</li> </ul> |



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z Tuesday 20 August 2013, 16:00 - 18:00 #150  
Future libraries - multiple futures — Asia and  
Oceania

·The changing role of community libraries: emerging  
centres for sustainable development

SANJANA SHRESTHA (READ Nepal, Kathmandu, Nepal)

·Creating a library of the future: Universidade Nacional  
Timor Lorosa'e (UNTL) journey of rebuilding its  
University Library for the 21st century

MARY COGHLAN and SABINA ROBERTSON (The  
University Library, University of Melbourne,  
Melbourne, Australia)

·Public library service in underdeveloped regions in China -  
A case study of Shanxi Province

SHI XIN, ZHAI JIANXIONG and HAO JINMIN (The National  
Library of China, Beijing, China)

·Future of Quiescent Public Library System: a developing  
country prospective

NOSHEEN FATIMA WARRAICH (Pakistan)

·Increasing demands on public libraries in hard economic  
times: Innovation and partnership to meet community  
needs at Davao City Public Library

NORA FE ALAJAR (Philippines)

·Remaining relevant - how airports, banks and geeks can  
save frontline library services

SHAUN O'DWYER and BELINDA SUA (University of New  
South Wales, Sydney, NSW, Australia, Australia)

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Monday 19th August 2013 08:30 - 18:00

**Session 95 – Rare and special collections in the Asian or Oceanian context – Rare Books and Manuscripts with Asia and Oceania**

August 19th (Monday), All-day program Joint off-site session with the Rare Books and Manuscripts Section at the National Library of Singapore.

Morning Sessions:

- Mapping dreams to pin the future to: access ideas for the National Library Singapore

TIMOTHY PWEE and MAGES PERIASAMY (Special Collections, National Library Singapore, National Library Board, Singapore)

- Taonga (treasures) at the Alexander Turnbull Library: documentary heritage in Polynesia

RACHEL ESSON (Alexander Turnbull Library, National Library of New Zealand, Wellington, New Zealand)

- Public Library and Folk Historical Document: Taking Wenzhou Library as an example

XIE ZHIYONG (Wenzhou Public Library, China)

- Rare handwritten manuscript collection in Indic languages at Scindia Oriental Research Institute (SORI), India

ANIL KUMAR JAIN, SUDHIR KUMAR, KEERTI BALAJAIN (School of Studies in Library and Information Science, Vikram University, Ujjain, India), SUBHAJIT CHOUDHURY (Indian Institute of Technology, Guwahati, India) and BAL KRISHNA SHARMA (Sciendia Oriental Research Institute (SORI), Ujjain, India)

- Preserving Cordillera culture and history through the University of the Philippines Baguio Cordillera Studies Collection Library and Archives

CRISTINA B. VILLANUEVA (Cordillera Studies Collection Library and Cordillera/Northern Luzon Historical Archives, University of the Philippines Baguio)

- Exploring Filipiniana rare books and the state of

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· Exploring Filipiniana rare books and the state of Filipiniana rare books management

ROMULO R. UBAY, JR., MARTIN JULIUS V. PEREZ, TERESITA C. MORAN (Library Services, Far Eastern University, Manila, Philippines) and JOANNA O. SIAPNO (Library, De La Salle University-Makati Extension Campus, Makati City, Philippines)

Afternoon Sessions:

Poster session presentations:

· Preserving Sri Lanka's traditional manuscript culture: role of the Palm Leaf Digitization Project of the Faculty of Social Sciences, University of Kelaniya

PIYADASA RANASINGHE and W. M. THARANGA  
DILRUK RANASINGHE

· Social construction of manuscript preservation at Rekso Pustoko, Mangkunegaran Palace, Surakarta, Central Java

YENI BUDI RACHMAN and TAMARA A. SUSETYO-SALIM

· Content analysis of manuscripts: case study on digital library in National Library and Archives of I.R. of Iran

SAEEDAH AKBARI-DARYAN and AFSANEH  
TEYMOURIKHANI

· The 1893 printing of the Tipitaka (the first ever printing of this text), which King Chulalongkorn presented to over 200 institutions world-wide

DARYL GREEN

· Compilation of Yongle Encyclopedia kept in the National Library of China

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Papers session:

·Asia in New Haven

EDWIN SCHROEDER

·Books on the move": rare chinese collections at the University of British Columbia

JING LIU (Asian Library, University of British Columbia, Vancouver, Canada) and ALVAN BREGMAN (Technical Services, University of British Columbia Library, Vancouver, Canada)

·The USEK Library: An academic library with a national mission of conserving the heritage of Lebanon

RANDA AL CHIDIAC (Executive Director, Library, Holy Spirit University of Kaslik (USEK), Kaslik, Lebanon)

·Reliving the Filipino classical music heritage: preservation and restoration of Philippine art music manuscripts of the University of the Philippines-Diliman College of Music

IYRA S.BUENROSTRO and JOHANN FREDERICK A. CABBAB (School of Library and Information Studies, University of the Philippines Diliman, Quezon City, Philippines)

·The Cristoforo Castelli's narration: between the Word and image

MARIETTA CHIKHLADZE (National Centre of Manuscripts, Tbilisi (Georgia))

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| <p><b>PUBLICATIONS</b></p>         | <p><b>Newsletter:</b></p> <p>Two issues of the Section Newsletter were published both in electronic and print form last year: 2013/1 in June, and 2013/2 in December.</p> <p>The newsletter is distributed via email and post to all RSCAO members. The electronic version is posted on:</p> <p><a href="http://archive.ifla.org/VII/s26/index.htm#Newsletter">http://archive.ifla.org/VII/s26/index.htm#Newsletter</a></p> <p><b>RSCAO Website:</b></p> <p>website has been updated periodically with coordination of the RSCAO Web Manager</p> |
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