

International Federation of Library Associations 2010 Survey of International Activities

IFLA National Organizations and International Relations (NOIR) Special Interest Group

Survey of International Activities of National Libraries, 2010

The purpose of the survey is to understand the international relations and activities taking place in National Libraries worldwide. We would like to thank you for providing valuable feedback to us and also want to assure you that all information collected with this survey will be kept strictly confidential. None of the data collected will be used to identify particular individuals or libraries. All data will be presented in aggregated form only.

Results from this survey will be used by the NOIR Special Interest Group to develop its program of activities aimed at supporting and promoting the international work of National Libraries, from which your library can potentially benefit.

International Activities

1. International Relations or Activities

The following questions present lists of relations and activities in which National Libraries might engage with a library or libraries IN ONE OR MORE OTHER COUNTRIES. In which of these activities does your institution participate?

1.1 General relations, visits, development assistance: Please tick all the appropriate answers.

- Receive visiting librarians
- Receive high-ranking persons (VIPs)
- Send staff to visit libraries in other countries
- Staff exchange program(s)
- Library twinning agreement(s)
- Provide development assistance
- Receive development assistance
- Other; please specify

1.2 Cooperative activities : collection development, preservation, digitization with a library or libraries IN ONE OR MORE OTHER COUNTRIES. Please tick all the appropriate answers.

- Exchange of publications
 - Send staff to purchase books and library materials in other countries
 - Collaborative collection development
 - Preservation projects (books, analogue material)
 - Digitization projects
 - Digital preservation projects
 - Web preservation projects
 - Microfilming projects
 - Repatriation of library materials from/to libraries in other countries
 - Other; please specify
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1.3 Cooperative activities : Bibliographic services and knowledge organization with a library or libraries IN ONE OR MORE OTHER COUNTRIES. Please tick all the appropriate answers.

- Cataloguing, metadata or related standards
 - Classification schemes, thesauri or related standards
 - Authority files
 - Retrospective cataloguing projects
 - Other; please specify
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1.4 Cooperative activities : Access with a library or libraries IN ONE OR MORE OTHER COUNTRIES. Please tick all the appropriate answers.

- Inter-library loans and provision of copies
 - Digital reference
 - Other; please specify
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International Organizations

2. Participation in International and Regional Professional Bodies

2.1 In which types of international library organizations and forums does your library participate?
Please tick all the appropriate answers.

- CDNL (Conference of Directors of National Libraries)
- IFLA (International Federation of Library Associations and Institutions)
- Specialized international organizations (e.g. International Association of Music Libraries, IATUL, IBBY)
- Regional organizations (e.g. ABINIA, CENL, CONSAL, SCECSAL)
- Other; please specify

2.2 Please name the international library body in which your library participates most actively:

2.3 In which ways do staff of your library participate in the international library body you named in the previous question? Please tick all the appropriate answers.

- Hold membership
- Attend conferences
- Serve on committees, boards, working groups, etc.
- Participate in special projects
- Other; please specify

Resources

3. Responsibility for International Relations

3.1 Who in your library is responsible for international relations? Please tick all the appropriate answers.

- The Director/Head of the Library
- Senior library managers (deputy & assistant directors)
- All staff members who are involved in relevant projects
- A staff member who (in addition to other duties) has a major responsibility for international relations
- A staff member whose main or sole responsibility is international relations
- A department or unit devoted mainly or solely to international relations

Other; please specify _____

3.2 What is the type of budget for international relations in your library? Please tick all the appropriate answers.

As part of regular budget

Project-based

No funding

Other, please specify

General Comments and Clarifications

4. Please use the following space to provide any comments or clarifications that you wish to add concerning your library's international relations and activities?

Information about Your library

5. To conclude this questionnaire, may we have some background information about your library:

5.1 What is the name of your library?

5.2 In which country is your library located?

5.3 Your email address:

5.4 How many full-time equivalent staff are there in your library?

0 - 9

10 - 49

50 - 249

250 - 1000

More than 1000

5.5 What is the annual budget of your library?

Less than \$100,000

\$100,000 - \$999,999

\$1,000,000 - \$9,999,999

\$10,000,000 or more