



**Serials and Other Continuing Resources
ANNUAL REPORT
2015/2016**

Report on progress and activities

Objectives <i>Identified in the Unit's Action Plan</i>	Project or activity <i>Identified in the Unit's Action Plan</i>	Progress <i>Please give brief details, including status (not started, in progress, near completion, completed)</i>	Risks <i>Please identify any problems or concerns (e.g. missed deadlines, lack of resource) and how you would propose to address them</i>
1.Promote the importance of best practices in Serials and Other Continuing Resources	<p>1.1. Continue to plan and organise programmes and activities on topics relating to the defined scope of the section, working with other related IFLA sections as appropriate</p> <p>1.2. Facilitate and provide access to documentation and information on professional issues relating to serials and e-resources</p> <p>1.3 Develop the SOCR webpages, blog and lists and maximize their potential uses</p>	<p>1.1 There has been considerable progress in these areas. The SOCRS 2015 Open Programme in Cape Town was extremely well attended and received. Work is nearing completion on planning for the 2016 Open Programme for WLIC Columbus and two joint satellite meetings (one on RDA and one on Library Publishing). Planning has begun for a satellite meeting for the 83rd WLIC.</p> <p>1.2 Committee members have begun discussing possible projects including a project to link to useful items already available on the web.</p> <p>1.3 Considerable work has been done by the communications officer to update the web presence</p>	

	<p>for disseminating information and fostering dialogue</p> <p>1.4 Broaden the audience for Serials and Other Continuing Resources publications and outputs by providing multilingual versions of core Section documents and information. Priority to be given to the Section’s Action Plan</p>	<p>of the SOCRS group on our website.</p> <p>1.4 Translation work has not started this year. Section members volunteered to translate documents.</p>
<p>2. Monitor, raise awareness and promote resolution of national and international issues related to copyright, open access and other scholarly communication matters</p>	<p>2.1 Encourage development of awareness of issues through encouraging submissions for papers for conference, mobilizing committee members to advocate in their own regions and highlighting issues on web pages</p>	<p>2.1 This project is still under discussion</p>
<p>3. Attract, involve and retain members from all parts of the Serials and Other Continuing Resources information chain thereby raising the profile of the Serials and Other Continuing Resources Section of IFLA</p>	<p>3.1. All SC members to act as advocates in their regions, inviting greater involvement in IFLA and SOCR</p> <p>3.2. General call inviting expressions of interest in becoming an SC member to be sent to major serials and IFLA email lists</p> <p>3.3. Consider possibility of using active email discussion lists to initiate discussion and debate on</p>	<p>3.1 The SOCRS listserv has been much more active now that the website is up to date and our appointed “blog” specialist has produced several interesting items.</p> <p>3.2 The Chair asked for new members to join IFLA at the Cape Town open program and as a result our second SC meeting was attended by newly interested attendees. Two people who attended the open SOCRS programme in Columbus expressed interest in joining the section.</p> <p>3.3 The group is working on this.</p>

	<p>“Hot topics” / “Issues of concern” with serials practitioners, where the IFLA SOCR Section may be able to raise awareness or facilitate a resolution.</p>	
<p>4. Monitor, report, disseminate and raise awareness of national and international standards for Serials and Other Continuing Resources including E-Resources</p>	<p>4.1. Inform and support the work of the IFLA Standards Committee by scoping the possibility of a comprehensive and annotated list of national and international standards relating to aspects of the Serials and e-resources information chain; to include standards relating to identifiers, protocols, bibliographic description, technological developments, licensing and usage statistics.</p>	<p>4.1 Committee members have begun discussing possible projects including a project to link to useful items already available on the web as a potential option.</p>
	<p>4.2. Under the aegis of the IFLA Standards Committee, SOCR members will identify the need and rationale for new or revised standards, conveying information to relevant agencies involved in developing standards</p>	<p>4.2 Committee members have begun discussing possible projects including a project to link to useful items already available on the web. The group also arranged for the removal of outdate publications related to serials on the IFLA website.</p>

Results

Completed project or activity <i>Please list those projects/activities identified as completed in the table above</i>	Output <i>Please state what the output of the project/activity was (e.g. Report, Standard, Workshop etc.) and provide a URL to it</i>	Communications <i>Please state how the output and outcomes of the project/activity have been communicated to the Unit, IFLA members and the wider profession</i>	Impact of the completed project or activity <i>Through the Measures of Success identified in your Action Plan, describe what difference the project or activity has made to the Unit, IFLA members, the wider profession or society at large</i>
1. 81st WLIC Open Programme-Dynamic Transformations and Developments in the World of Serials and Other Continuing Resources	Successfully completed programme. Good audience discussion.	At meetings in person, online and through our blog post and listserv	Generated considerable interest in the work of the Section.
2. 82nd WLIC Open Programme-Role of Stakeholders in the New Serials World	Successfully completed programme. High quality speakers.	At meetings in person, online and through our blog post and listserv	Generated considerable interest in the work of the Section. Two audience members ask how they could join the Section.
3. 2016 Satellite Meeting with Cataloguing Section – RDA in the Wider World	Successfully completed programme. High quality speakers. Excellent discussion.	At meetings in person, online and through our blog post and listserv	Foster cooperation between sections. Without SOCRS participation, serials cataloguing might not have been represented at the satellite meeting.
4. 2016 Satellite Meeting with Acquisition and Collection Development Section – Libraries as Publishers: Building a Global Community	Successfully completed programme. High quality speakers. Excellent discussion.	At meetings in person, online and through our blog post and listserv	Foster cooperation between sections. The interest in the programme was strong enough that A. Okerson, the chair of the Acquisition and Collection Development Section, is going work on forming a Library as Publishers as a Special Interest Group.

Standing Committee membership

Standing Committee members' names	Role on the Standing Committee (if any) and contribution made to the work of the Professional Unit over the year <i>For example, Chair, Information Coordinator, Project Leader</i>	Comments on position <i>For example, resigned, co-opted to fill a casual vacancy, etc.</i>
Sharon Dyas-Correia	Chair	
Margaret Mering	Secretary	
Christina McCawley	Information Coordinator	
Jean-Louis Baraggioli		
Gaelle Bequet		
Maria Cassella		
Matylda Filas		
Patricia Hudson		
Smita Joshipure		
Beata Katrincova		
Paul Lloyd Hover		
Busisiwe Malefahlo		
Theron Westervelt		

Names of any other reporting persons	Role <i>For example, Corresponding Members</i>	Comments on position <i>For example, resigned, co-opted to fill a casual vacancy, etc.</i>

Professional Unit meetings or conference calls

Date <i>When the meeting was held</i>	Location or type of meeting <i>Physical or virtual meeting (telephone, skype etc.)</i>	Main outcomes <i>Briefly summarise the main outcomes of the meeting and how these were communicated to the membership of the Professional Unit</i>
1. Aug. 15, 2015	Physical meeting in Cape Town, South Africa	Plans for Satellite meeting connected to the WLIC2016 in Columbus, Ohio; uploaded to website
2. Aug. 21, 2015	Physical meeting in Cape Town, South Africa	More plans for Satellite meetings in Columbus and Ann Arbor, MI; uploaded to website
3. Mar. 21, 2016	Virtual meeting via Go-to-meeting telephone and computer	Discussion of open program in Columbus on Role of Stakeholders in the New Serial World; more discussion of satellites in Columbus and Ann Arbor, MI; proposal for satellite in Poland in 2017
4. Aug. 13, 2016	Physical meeting in Columbus, OH, USA	Discussion of what makes a dynamic IFLA professional unit; reports on the two 2016 satellite meeting co-sponsored by SOCRS; plans for satellite meeting in Poland
5. Aug. 17, 2016	Physical meeting in Columbus, OH, USA	Continued planning for satellite meeting in Poland and discussing what makes a dynamic IFLA professional unit. Discussed SOCRS Action Plan. Reviewed SOCRS' 2016 Open Program
6. Communication using the SOCRSmem listserv		