

CDNL in 2014- 2015

Chairman's report 2014- 2015

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The period in discussion has included the transfer of many facilities (secretary, website, archives) of the previous Chair and executive board. CDNL executive board (EB) has had several au courant e-mail meetings and consultation. It has met early 2015 to decide the theme of the Cape Town session.

A new CDNL secretary, Director Liisa Savolainen took the responsibilities of CDNL secretary and she will be introduced at the Cape Town meeting August 2015.

New website

CDNL website needed a total reconstruction. It was transferred and reconstructed at NLF within four months, a job that was unexpectedly laborious. Now it is more streamlined and presents the essential for CDNL members. Naturally it will be developed au courant with the needs of the members and CDNL to communicate in the best possible way.

The website is located at <http://www.cdnl.info/>

Strategic discussions and decisions

CDNL chair and secretary with the chair of Liber Kristiina Hormia met IFLA secretary general and IFLA president in Helsinki late 2014. We discussed the topic of more strategic cooperation with IFLA and all parties decided to have stronger cooperation at a strategic level and CDNL promised to take a visible role in the area for which it has a strong mandate already and thus help IFLA in its strategic work.

CDNL was one of the first signatories of the **The Hague Declaration on Knowledge Discovery in the Digital Age**.

CDNL nominated Ms. Ulrike Junger from German National Library as a CDNL representative to the IFLA Committee on Standards.

<http://libereurope.eu/blog/2015/05/11/liber-signs-the-hague-declaration-on-knowledge-discovery-in-the-digital-age/>

Correspondence

CDNL chair and EB have been commenting on issues directed to the CDNL list or individual members of EB.

CDNL has supported members who have to leave their positions for various reasons.

Redesigning CDNL annual program

CDNL EB has used a lot of energy and vision redesigning the CDNL annual program to serve its members in the most rewarding way.

CDNL meetings are a challenging mix of official tasks and program. We have decided to do issues like reporting as attachments and make room for vital discussions and transfer of knowledge and experience.

At Cape Town we have a high class keynote speaker, many short presentations of our digital core areas, panels and finally a fresh wrap up team sharing their experience.

CDNL meetings should

- deliver a strong CDNL mission
- promoting vital themes like advancing digital library, strategic leadership, and solution based approach to digital market
- top level presentations and talks
- creating dialogue
- listening to the members as to what kind of themes will be needed in the future

Istanbul hosted the recent IFLA President's meeting in May 2015.

Kai Ekholm gave a presentation of the Digital environment ahead and solution based approach.