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Dear Directors, dear colleagues,

In my messages in March I expressed my deep concern about your well-being and the shared challenges we as national librarians were facing in this unprecedented global crisis. I sincerely hope that you are all in good health and managing to cope with this crisis.

As you know, in the meantime the KB (the National Library of the Netherlands) – requested by CDNL and in close collaboration with IFLA’s HQ and Standing Committee for National Libraries – has conducted a survey among NL’s on the impact of the COVID-19. We were pleased to receive a significant number of responses providing valuable information for all concerned. The analysis of the outcomes of the survey is available on the CDNL website:

<https://conferenceofdirectorsofnationallibraries.com/> or www.CDNL.info.

Now, almost three months later, at the request of many, IFLA and CDNL would like to continue their survey and try to get a picture of the current situation. The questionnaire can be reached through <https://kb.datacoll.nl/reopeningNL>. Please note that the outcomes of the survey will also be shared with IFLA. I am aware of the fact that you all are extremely busy these days, but I would highly appreciate if you could spend a short time answering the new questions and send it back to us Monday June 8 at the latest. In this way we will obtain a more rounded picture of the various approaches to solving the crisis. I trust that we will all benefit of our mutual cooperation.

I wish you all health, strength and wisdom to persevere.

Sincerely,

Lily Knibbeler

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