Webinar Title: Benefits of International Exchange Programs

Date/Time*: April 9, 2019, Tuesday at 9 am PT, 12 pm ET, 18:00 CET and 19:00 SAST

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Summary: In this upcoming free webinar, librarians from Canada, Germany and South Africa will share their experiences and best practices in participating in international librarianship work. Canadian librarians will discuss global volunteering opportunities while librarians from Germany and South Africa will share their experiences in international exchange programs. This webinar is co-sponsored by IFLA’s Continuing Professional Development and Workplace Learning (CPDWL), IFLA’s New Professionals Special Interest Group (NPSIG) and ACRL’s International Perspectives in Academic and Research Libraries.

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Speakers:

Ulrike Lang, Germany
Hella Klauser, Germany
Flippie van der Walt, South Africa
Dee Winn, Canada
Cate Carlyle, Canada

Biographies of Speakers:

Ulrike Lang is a librarian from the Hamburg State and University Library in Germany. She is responsible for education and training, for human resources development, workplace health promotion, conflict management and the organization of professional conferences and working visit programs for foreign visitors. Since 2017 she also resume the event management of the library with more than 80 events a year. From 2000-2007, Ulrike was the President of Library and Information International, an institution, which is responsible for librarians exchange programs between Germany and foreign countries: [www.bi-international.de](http://www.bi-international.de). She has been part
of IFLA’s CPDWL Section since 2007, past co-chair from 2009-2015 and currently is a member of the Standing Committee for Education and Training of IFLA.

Hella Klauser: Since 2004, she has been responsible for international cooperation within the Network of Excellence for Libraries (knb) at the German Library Association (Deutscher Bibliotheksverband dbv) in Berlin, Germany. Between 2013 - 2016, she was the Head of the Libraries Department at the Goethe-Institut (German cultural Institute) Head Office in Munich, Germany. From 1991 - 2003, Hella was the Head of the libraries of the Goethe-Institutes in Tokyo, Japan, and Paris, France. Since 2006, she has been a member of the BI-International to promote international professional exchange. BII is a Standing Committee of the umbrella organization Bibliothek &amp; Information Deutschland (BID), the Federal Association of German Library and Information Associations. She is currently a member of Standing Committee in section ‘Management of Library Associations’ of the International Federation of Library Associations IFLA since 2017.

Flippie van der Walt is a public librarian for the past 25 years and is an Area Manager in the Department Library and Information Services in the City of Cape Town, South Africa. Flippie holds a Master of Technology (M.Tech.) in Library and Information Science from UNISA and a
Master in Management from the Southern Business School. Flippie is an active professional and has served on various councils and chaired committees in the professional association, LIASA. Flippie was also the public librarian of the year on 2004, Librarian of the year in 2014 and was awarded in 2016 the UNISA Library and Information Science Alumnus of the Year. Flippie also presented papers at IFLA’s 72nd and 81st conferences and a poster at the 73rd conference. On a lighter note, Flippie is a keen designer of Mandalas.

Cate Carlyle began her career as a teacher and eventually transitioned to work in elementary school, academic and public libraries. Currently a curriculum resource coordinator and librarian at a small Halifax university, Cate also reviews children’s and young adult books for CM Magazine: Canadian Review of Materials. Cate’s book, “Your Passport to International Librarianship” (co-authored with Dee Winn), chronicles her international volunteer work in Guatemala, Honduras and Nicaragua, and her first young adult novel “#NotReadyToDie” will be published in 2019.

Dee Winn is a Reference + Subject Librarian at Concordia Library in Montreal. She has volunteered in Central America and Africa and co-authored (with Cate Carlyle) Your Passport to International Librarianship, a book published in June, 2018. Dee has served as an Executive member of Librarians Without Borders and is a copy editor for the International Journal of Librarianship.