

# 2020 Unit Annual Report

## 2. Unit Information

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**Please select your professional Unit**

Government Information and Official Publications Section

**Please select your Division**

Division 2

**Name of person completing form**

Cornelie Butz

**Role of person completing this form**

Chair

**Contact email of person completing form**

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## 3. Unit member contributions

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**Please describe the contributions of the Unit members.**

**Role**

Secretary

**Name of Unit member**

Kathryn Tallman

**Contributions**

Made notes at about 5 Zoom meetings amongst Standing Committee Members. Wrote minutes of this year's business meeting of the Standing Committee Members. Reviewed results of the GIOPS survey. Wrote the management summary of the GIOPS Survey.

**Role**

Information Coordinator

**Name of Unit member**

Kris Kasianovitz

**Contributions**

Published GIOPS messages in Basecamp and on the website. Prepared the GIOPS Survey, formulated questions and posted the survey on the website and on several librarian's lists and posted reminders to fill in the survey. Reviewed the survey results. Prepared meeting agendas. Dealt with access to SurveyGizmo. Took part in most Division 2 meetings for GIOPS and in a round table for the governance review.

**Role**

Member

**Name of Unit member**

Kay Cassell

**Contributions**

Wrote the introduction for the planned GIOPS Professional Report. Edited chapters of the planned Professional Report. Engaged in Zoom meetings of Standing Committee Members.

**Role**

Member

**Name of Unit member**

Thanos Giannakopoulos

**Contributions**

Facilitated contribution of the UN Cyber Security Unit for the GIOPS Professional Report. Reported interesting news from the UN Library to other Standing Committee Members. Helped formulate questions for the GIOPS survey.

**Role**

Member

**Name of Unit member**

Duncan Omole

**Contributions**

Facilitated contribution of the World Bank Cyber Security Unit for the GIOPS Professional Report. Helped formulate questions for the GIOPS survey. Reviewed results of the GIOPS survey.

**Role**

Member

**Name of Unit member**

Frank Lester

**Contributions**

Took part in Zoom meetings for Standing Committee members. Will be part of a new team designing the newsletter for government librarians and librarians working with official publications.

**Role**

Corresponding Member

**Name of Unit member**

Jim Church

**Contributions**

Corresponded with all authors for the GIOPS Professional Report regarding updates. Edited contributions of authors for the GIOPS Professional Report. Dealt with all author's copyright forms. Is responsible for the GIOPS Professional Report.

**Role**

Corresponding Member

**Name of Unit member**

Carol Riccalton

**Contributions**

Took part in Zoom Meetings for Standing Committee Members. Suggested topics for questions for the GIOPS survey. Helped formulating questions for the survey.

**Role**

Corresponding Member

**Name of Unit member**

Susan Leach-Murray

**Contributions**

Helped the information coordinator and gave advice how to deal with social media.

**Role**

Chair

**Name of Unit member**

Cornelie Butz

**Contributions**

Coordinated the work done by the section.

**Role**

Member

**Name of Unit member**

Richelle van Snellenberg

**Contributions**

Volunteered to review the received proposals from the call for papers.

**Role**

Member

**Name of Unit member**

Geoffrey D. Swindells

**Contributions**

Volunteered to review the received proposals from the call for papers.

**If there are Unit members who have not yet been actively involved with Standing Committee work, please list them here:**

#### **4. Standing Committee Meetings**

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**Please provide information about your 2020 Standing Committee Meetings:**

**Meeting date (dd/mm/yyyy)**

22/09/2020

**How was this meeting held?**

Virtual (Zoom/Skype/etc.)

**What were this meeting's main outcomes?**

1. Strategy for new member recruitment in 2021.
2. Call for papers in 2021 - Decision to repeat the call from 2020 and ask 12 librarians to resubmit proposals.
3. Results of GIOPS survey with 63 participants, discussion of report.
4. Start a newsletter in 2021 as a result of government librarians wishes expressed in the Survey.
5. Decision on how to promote the upcoming GIOPS Professional Report in 2021.
6. Governance Review Discussion and GIOPS participation in roundtable discussions.

**Meeting date (dd/mm/yyyy)**

05/08/2020

**How was this meeting held?**

Virtual (Zoom/Skype/etc.)

**What were this meeting's main outcomes?**

1. Status of GIOPS Survey, analyzing the data.
2. State of play of GIOPS Professional Report, progress in the editing process.
3. Governance Review - collecting ideas.
4. Preparation of Business meeting - Topics to be discussed.

**Meeting date (dd/mm/yyyy)**

23/06/2020

**How was this meeting held?**

Virtual (Zoom/Skype/etc.)

**What were this meeting's main outcomes?**

1. Reviewing the GIOPS survey questions, assigning of responsibilities once the data is available.
2. Cyber Security as a topic of the GIOPS Professional Report - who can contribute?
3. Governance Review - what is happening? State of Affairs.

**Meeting date (dd/mm/yyyy)**

10/06/2020

**How was this meeting held?**

Virtual (Zoom/Skype/etc.)

**What were this meeting's main outcomes?**

Reviewing design of GIOPS survey, plausibility of questions asked, length of survey.

**Meeting date (dd/mm/yyyy)**

26/05/2020

**How was this meeting held?**

Virtual (Zoom/Skype/etc.)

**What were this meeting's main outcomes?**

1. Outcome of Division II Meeting was discussed.
2. Preparation of Survey Questions for the planned GIOPS survey, length of Survey discussed.

**Meeting date (dd/mm/yyyy)**

04/05/2020

**How was this meeting held?**

Virtual (Zoom/Skype/etc.)

**What were this meeting's main outcomes?**

1. What to do now? Redesign of GIOPS programme 2020.
2. Focus on survey and professional publication - what needs to be done next?

**Meeting date (dd/mm/yyyy)**

17/02/2020

**How was this meeting held?**

Virtual (Zoom/Skype/etc.)

**What were this meeting's main outcomes?**

1. Preparation for WLIC Dublin 2020 - Call for Papers, what has been received?
2. Selection of Committee members to review proposals.

**Meeting date (dd/mm/yyyy)**

05/02/2018

**How was this meeting held?**

Virtual (Zoom/Skype/etc.)

**What were this meeting's main outcomes?**

Review of the success of the call for proposals for the GIOPS paper session at WLIC in Dublin 2020.  
Discuss extension possibilities for the call for papers.

## 5. Successes/Accomplishments/Achievements

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**Accomplishment Details****Briefly describe the project, activity, or output you accomplished during the period August 2019 - August 2020**

1. We managed to do a survey amongst GIOPS member institutions, government librarians and librarians working with official publications. We got 63 answers and we wrote a report, which will be available on the GIOPS website.
2. We managed to finalize a GIOPS Professional Report describing the landscape of government librarianship in different countries. In November 2020, the copyright declarations from all authors are collected and some authors make last reviews of their text.

**Do you have a URL to this output you can share?**

The GIOPS survey report is available on the GIOPS website on Friday, 20 November 2020.

**Briefly describe the project, activity, or output you accomplished during the period August 2019 - August 2020**

More Standing Committee Members and Corresponding Members were active in the section this year.

**Do you have a URL to this output you can share?**

## 6. Communication

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How have you communicated your Unit's 2020 work to the following?:

	Your Unit members	General IFLA members	The field at large
Newsletter			
Webpage/Blog post	X	X	X
Basecamp	X		
Mailing List	X	X	
Social Media	X	X	

Please comment on any communication or partnerships outside of your own Standing Committee:

Parliament Libraries Section and Government Libraries Section published our call to take part in the GIOPS survey on their websites and in their respective lists.

## 7. Additional Information

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Please use this space to provide any additional information you would like to share about your Unit's activities for the year.

More active people in the section produced better results, working for the section has become more interesting.

## 8. Action Plan

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2020-2021 Action Plans are due October 1, 2020. If you already have your 2020-2021 Action Plan ready, you can upload it here.

[GIOPS Action Plan 2020-2021 CB with KK.docx](#)

## 10. Submit

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After clicking the "Submit" button below you will not be able to return to make any changes.

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