



**Library History Special Interest Group  
ANNUAL REPORT  
2018-2019**

**PART 1: Projects/Activities**

<b>Objective 1</b>	
<i>As identified in your Action Plan.</i> Objectives 1,2,3,4	
<b>Projects/Activities</b>	<b>Progress</b>
<i>List the Projects you've worked on, as identified in your Action Plan.</i>	<i>Give brief details, including status (not started, in progress, near completion, completed)</i>
1. Survival of the SIG	Done – the SIG continues
2. Hold a session at the 2019 Athens conference	Done - Potential co-operation with IFLA Genealogy & Local History (Genloc) Section – achieved with Genloc handling the administration for the session. Separate SIG Lib Hist session not held
3. Theme issue for IFLA Journal on 2017 Wroclaw session “Libraries in times of crisis: historical perspectives”	Editor IFLA Journal has advised that the issue was released: March 2019. Significant effort by Editor of IFLA Journal to make this happen
4. Consider a research project on library oral history	Convenor tried to get this started in theme negotiations with Genloc for IFLA 2019 - not achieved.
<b>Risks</b>	
<i>Identify any problems or concerns (e.g. missed deadlines, lack of resource) and how you would propose to address them.</i>	
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Nil now- Division IV agreed the SIG continues.</li> <li>2. Nil</li> <li>3. The concept be accepted by IFLA Journal – and it was.</li> <li>4. The SIG needs to start again on this if it is worth pursuing. Discussions are now underway.</li> </ol>	
<b>Output</b>	<b>Impact</b>
<i>Please state what the output of your project/activity was (e.g. Report, Standard, Workshop etc) and provide a URL to it.</i>	<i>Describe what difference the project or activity has made to the Unit, IFLA members, the wider profession or society at large.</i>

1. The SIG activities continue	Relief and joy that this happened.
2. Joint session with Genloc and Asia & Oceania section	Session reasonably well attended
3. IFLA Journal March 2019	The session at the Wroclaw conference was well attended and received, so this special issue of the IFLA Journal was much appreciated as it widened the spread of activity of the SIG as well as the role of libraries in times of crisis.
4. Nil at this stage	Nil at this stage - still under discussion by the SIG

### Communications

*Describe how the output and outcomes of the project/activity have been communicated to the Unit, IFLA members and the wider profession.*

1. SIG website/e-lists
2. Mainly undertaken by Genloc
3. Through IFLA notifications
4. Internal SIS communication via emails.

### Objective 2

*As identified in your Action Plan.*

Objectives 1, 3 & 4

Projects/Activities	Progress
<i>List the Projects you've worked on, as identified in your Action Plan.</i>	<i>Give brief details, including status (not started, in progress, near completion, completed)</i>
Continue to raise the relevance, significance and importance of library history to IFLA, the SIG itself, IFLA members and the library profession	Contact with SIG's web editor to change blog to Wordpress; done. Possible Twitter account? Not yet. Library History group underway in Western Australia.
Risks	
<i>Identify any problems or concerns (e.g. missed deadlines, lack of resource) and how you would propose to address them.</i>	
Software issue for Convenor who had trouble getting access to the blog and work is underway to resolve this. Need more contributions from other library history folk.	

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Still working on this	There is a growing interest in the activity of the SIG – requests to join the SIG’s e-list, and more interest in joining the SIG’s “Committee”
Communications	
<i>Describe how the output and outcomes of the project/activity have been communicated to the Unit, IFLA members and the wider profession.</i> Through the SIG’S website and e-list.	

Objective 3	
<i>As identified in your Action Plan.</i> Objectives 1,2,3	
Projects/Activities	Progress
<i>List the Projects you’ve worked on, as identified in your Action Plan.</i>	<i>Give brief details, including status (not started, in progress, near completion, completed)</i>
The proceedings of the 2014 "History of Librarianship" satellite conference held are not yet published	One last attempt now made to contact the editor. No reply, so deleted
Risks	
<i>Identify any problems or concerns (e.g. missed deadlines, lack of resource) and how you would propose to address them.</i> It would seem this initiative has died?	
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Nil from the SIG’s perspective, though it would seem that some of the papers given at this event have appeared in other journals	Nil that the SIG is aware of.
Communications	
<i>Describe how the output and outcomes of the project/activity have been communicated to the Unit, IFLA members and the wider profession.</i> Nil	

## Standing Committee membership

Please provide further information about members of the Standing Committee and their contribution to the work of the Professional Unit.

Standing Committee members' names	Role on the Standing Committee (if any) and contribution made to the work of the Professional Unit over the year ( Chair, Information Coordinator, Project Leader)	Comments on position (resigned, co-opted to fill a casual vacancy, etc.)
1. Kerry Smith	Convenor	continuing
2. Polly Boruff-Jones	"Committee" member	continuing
3. Michele Fenton	"Committee" member	continuing
4. Helen Ladewig	"Committee" member	continuing
5. Peter Lor	"Committee" member	continuing
6. Irene Munster	"Committee" member	continuing
7. Hibaq Nur	"Committee" member	continuing
8. Parisa Paysar	"Committee" member	continuing
9. Kaisa Sinikara	"Committee" member	continuing
10. Pat Wand	"Committee" member	continuing
11. Christy Zlatos	"Committee" member	continuing
12. Jeanne Drewes	"Committee" member	continuing
13. Suzanne Stauffer	"Committee" member	continuing
14. Brendan Luyt	"Committee" member	continuing
15. Dr Philip Cohen	"Committee" member	continuing
16. Dr Lei Wang	"Committee" member	continuing

Names of any other reporting persons	Role <i>For example, Corresponding Members</i>	Comments on position (resigned, co-opted to fill a casual vacancy, etc.)
1. Anup Kumar Das	Webmaster	Volunteered to assist the SIG in 2015 and is still with it

## Professional Unit meetings or conference calls

Please show how the Standing Committee has conducted its business over the year. Meetings are by email.