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**Upcoming Meetings and Programs in August 2019**

The next IFLA Conference will be held in Athens, Greece, from August 24-30, 2019.

Prior to the 2019 Conference, the Aristotle University of Thessaloniki Library & Information Centre will be hosting two satellite meetings: *RDA 2019*: will be a full-day meeting on August 21 “presenting the new, totally revised RDA … and its implications for cataloguing worldwide.” This event has been co-organized by the IFLA Cataloguing Section, the IFLA Committee on Standards, and EURIG (The European RDA Interest Group). On August 22, there will be another full day meeting: *Metadata Specialists in the Machine Age*. This event is co-organized by the Cataloguing, Subject Analysis and Access (SA&A), Information Technology, and Bibliography Sections. Caroline Saccucci, Library of Congress Dewey Program Liaison to SAC and SA&A member, will be one of the speakers. [Both events](http://www.lib.auth.gr/en/iflawlic2019/) are free, but require prior registration.

As usual, SA&A will hold two business meetings during the conference, the first on Saturday, August 24, 3:45-5:45 P.M. (Session 42), and the second one on Thursday, August 29, from 8:00-10:30 A.M (Session 246).

SA&A will also be sponsoring a two hour open session jointly with the Art Libraries Section. The title of the session is: *Libraries, Archives and Museums in Dialogue: Improving Access to Complementary Collections*. Lucile Trunel (Chair of the IFLA Art Libraries Section) and Andreas Oskar Kempf (SA&A) are co-chairing the open session. The session will be held on Wednesday, August 28, from 8:30-10:30 A.M. The list of presentations is available under Session 206 in the [Conference program](http://www.professionalabstracts.com/iflawlic2019/programme-iflawlic2019.pdf).

Information on the SA&A Section is available [here](https://www.ifla.org/subject-analysis-and-access). The Section also has its own [blog.](https://blogs.ifla.org/ci/)

There will be another joint session of the Bibliography, Cataloguing, and SA&A sections entitled “IFLA Metadata Reports”, held on Wednesday, August 28, 1:45-3:45 P.M (Session 235).

**IFLA Metadata Newsletter**

The Subject Analysis and Access Section publishes the *IFLA Metadata Newsletter* jointly with the Cataloguing and Bibliography sections. [The December 2018 newsletter](https://www.ifla.org/files/assets/classification-and-indexing/newsletters/metadata_newsletter-20181217.pdf.pdf) is the latest available.

**Working Groups**

The Genre/Form Working Group is a joint working group of the Cataloguing and SA&A Sections. It continues its work under the leadership of co-chairs Ricardo Santos Muñoz, a member of the Cataloguing Section Standing Committee, and Ana Stevanovic, a member of the Subject Analysis and Access Section Standing Committee. It currently has 16 members, about half of whom are interested colleagues not currently serving on an IFLA standing committee. The WG held a meeting last August 28, and discussed what should be its next project. It decided on gather a list of existent vocabularies, thesauri, etc., related to, or useful for G/F, and also collect bibliographic references about this topic. The earlier genre/form survey completed by the WG could be used as a source to collect ongoing vocabularies. A shared document has been created in Google Drive for this project. The group had hoped to meet in Belgrade in early 2019 to revise the results, but funding was not yet available. The Working Group will hold a business meeting on Tuesday, August 27, from 1:30-4:00 P.M (Session 176).

Additional information about the working group is available from its [web page.](https://www.ifla.org/node/8526)

A new working group on Automatic Indexing was formed during the 2017 conference, chaired by Harriet Aagaard, Information Coordinator of the Subject Analysis and Access Section.

**New IFLA Web Site**

A new IFLA web site was started in 2017, and will be unveiled in July 2019 just before this year’s conference.

**Location of 2020 IFLA Conference**

At last year’s IFLA Conference, the Auckland Convention Centre was announced as the location for the 2020 Conference. Because the Convention Centre might not be completed in time for the 2020 IFLA Conference, it will be held in a different location, which will be announced during the 2019 Conference. Auckland is now scheduled to be the venue for the IFLA 2022 Conference.