## Session Theme "Dynamic Transformations and Developments in the World of Serials and Other Continuing Resources"

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The Serials and Other Continuing Resources Section (SOCRS) invites colleagues to submit proposals for its two-hour open session at the IFLA Congress in Cape Town on the theme "Dynamic Transformations and Developments in the World of Serials and Other Continuing Resources."

The roles, activities and responsibilities of those involved with serials and other continuing resources are changing rapidly. Highly dynamic content is delivered to end users via traditional digital platforms and also via apps and mobile devices. Global access to information is essential and librarians have key roles to play in publishing and providing access to content as well as in participating in the creation, transformation and evaluation of resources. How can information providers and librarians ensure resources are created, discoverable, accessible and usable when and where they are needed? How can librarians navigate the myriad choices as we participate in the many transformations and developments currently underway in the world of serials and other continuing resources? In this session papers will be presented on some of the many developments in the world of serials and other continuing resources and how librarians continue to rise to the challenges.

We invite papers that address any or several of the following topics:

Open Access
Metrics and assessment
Libraries as publishers
Non-traditional publishing
Institutional repositories
Mobile access, carriers and platforms
Linked data
Text and data mining
New roles for serials professionals
Description and discovery
New acquisitions models

Proposals must include the following information:

- Name and institution of speaker(s)
- 2. Contact information for speaker(s)
- 3. Brief biographical information
- 4. Proposal title
- 5. Brief (250 word) abstract of the proposed paper
- 6. Language of presentation

## **Important dates**

Proposal submission deadline: Friday 20<sup>th</sup> February 2015

Notification of acceptance: Friday 20<sup>th</sup> March 2015 Submission of completed paper: 29<sup>th</sup> May 2015

Proposals should be sent by email to Meg Mering, Secretary of the SOCR Standing Committee <a href="mmering1@unl.edu">mmering1@unl.edu</a> by Friday 20<sup>th</sup> February 2015. Finalists will be notified by March 20<sup>th</sup>, 2015, and will be expected to submit final versions of their papers in one of the official IFLA languages by May 29<sup>th</sup>, 2015.

For more information, please contact Meg Mering, Secretary of Serials and other Continuing Resources Section <a href="mailto:mmering1@unl.edu">mmering1@unl.edu</a> or Sharon Dyas-Correia, Chair of the Committee <a href="mailto:s.dyas.correia@utoronto.ca">s.dyas.correia@utoronto.ca</a>.

Please also note that in accordance with IFLA's Open Access Statement, all papers that are presented at the WLIC 2015 should be available under a Creative Commons Attribution 3.0 license.

Note: All expenses, including registration for the conference, travel, accommodation etc., are the responsibility of the authors. No financial support can be provided by IFLA, but a special invitation can be issued to authors, if required. The Cape Town National Committee and IFLA have worked hard to secure funds for Conference Participation Grants. Up-to-date information will be available on the <u>Conference Participation Grants webpage</u>.

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