



President's Editorial

Dear EBLIDA members, dear colleagues,



In a month from now, I will celebrate one year as EBLIDA President. During the past 12 months, I have learned a lot thanks to the many exchanges I have enjoyed with all of you at conferences, public presentations and meetings.

Before I ran for EBLIDA Presidency, I was aware of the hard work and dedication that would be involved. What I didn't know but secretly hoped, was that it would be, despite some frustration at times, very exciting and rewarding. I have experienced a year of wonderful meetings with dedicated colleagues, passionate librarians and information specialists.

In June last year, in my first editorial, I wrote "*I am determined to tackle the many challenges awaiting libraries especially in the field of access to eBooks and e-content. I am also intent on increasing EBLIDA's lobbying position to strengthen the role of libraries in Europe by seeking to influence the European Community and the initiatives and decisions relevant not only to libraries but to all other stakeholders involved*".

I can assure you that these words are still valid today. Furthermore, I would like to emphasise that during the past year, we have worked hard for National Libraries with the follow-up of the MoU on Out-of-Commerce Works and the participation of EBLIDA in the Task Force with the other stakeholders (cf. page 3). We have continued to work on Research Libraries especially in the discussion regarding Text and Data Mining in the Licences for Europe dialogues (see previous newsletter). And we continuously work hard for Public Libraries with regard to access to digital content. Since we issued the *Key principles on the acquisition and access to eBooks*, we entered into a round of discussions with the Commission and the Federation of European Publishers that will lead us to a public event in May in Finland to present libraries point of view. In addition, I would like to bring it to your attention that EBLIDA strives to take steps to bridge all kind of libraries in Europe. We have started to collect data about libraries in Europe, the results of which will be released online after the next Council in Milan (14th May 2013).

Speaking of our next big annual event, I am pleased to announce that already 50 people registered for the 21st EBLIDA Council and our joint Conference with NAPLE "Ready? Read 'e'. E-services in libraries, from European thinking to local actions". However, this is not enough, so please don't wait too long before registering! I invite you all to do so right now at the following link: <http://www.aib.it/attivita/ebilda-2013/2013/31734-application-form-ebilda/>.

We need **you** to make the EBLIDA-NAPLE conference a success! The more participants, the better the results!

Klaus-Peter Böttger,
EBLIDA President

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News round-up: EBLIDA and E.U.

Copyright Harmonisation in the EU: Securing a Borderless Single Market in the Digital Age.

The event (<http://publicpolicyexchange.co.uk/events/DD03-PPE2.php>) was organised on Wednesday 3rd of April 2013 by Public Policy Exchange (<http://www.publicpolicyexchange.co.uk>).

The Director of EBLIDA and the chairperson of EGIL attended the event that welcomed 30 participants from various organisations (from industry, government Ministries as well as various associations).

There were no surprises as such. Each speaker presented their points of view according to the programme. It was clear, however, that the standpoint of the first three speakers and that of EBLIDA was not in harmony. The speakers expressed the view that there is no need for copyright reform, a view not shared by EBLIDA and the library community worldwide.

Copyright enforcement and licensing solutions were the main points of the discussion, with exceptions to copyright being presented as acceptable only in certain specific cases with very restricted scope.

EBLIDA mentioned that in the current situation, licensing is extremely complicated.

Libraries actively participate in digitisation projects and have signed the *MoU on Out of Commerce Works* with other stakeholders. However, when it comes to making digital content available, libraries are portrayed as competitors.

This is misleading, as libraries are not regular market participants competing within the market. Firstly, as is the case for their physical book collections, libraries have limited budget and can offer access only to *their* collections. Secondly, they are (and should remain) an ideal platform from which the public can access a legally compliant source of information. However, in the current environment, this is very difficult. Furthermore, libraries are legal entities which respect copyright legislation and believe that creators/authors should be rewarded for their work.

Dan Pescod summarised the day's proceedings by outlining the need for balance between the interests of the creators/authors and accessibility of their works to the public.

The question of copyright enforcement popped up frequently throughout the day as well as the necessity of exceptions in certain cases and the need for licences as potential solutions.

Nothing is set in stone but speakers seemed rather confident that there is no need for copyright reform at the EU level, but rather that the Enforcement Directive should be discussed. However, the chair concluded that licensing solutions on their own cannot be relied upon, but rather there is a need for both licensing and changes to the law.

21st EBLIDA Council

The details of the Council Meeting are as follows:

21st EBLIDA Council Meeting for Members

Tuesday 14th May at 13h00 – 18h00 (including coffee)

Location : Biblioteca Sormani – Sala del Grechetto (Grechetto's room)

Location Address: Biblioteca, Corso di Porta Vittoria 6, Milan, Italy

Reception 20h00 – “La Dolce Vita”, via Bergamini 11, Milano

(the reception fee is included in the Conference fee)

A more detailed Agenda will follow in due course.

Please contact the Secretariat (majella.cunnane@eblida.org) if you have not received the official invitation letter to the Council Meeting.

21st EBLIDA-NAPLE Conference Programme Update

Changes in the EBLIDA-NAPLE programme:

1. Conference 15th May - Breakout Session 2 (13.45 – 15.00): Unfortunately, Paolo Rumiz, Travel Writer, will not be able to participate. However, the AIB are working to announce the replacement to us as soon as possible.
2. The social event on 16th May : due to reasons beyond our control, the visit to the Ambrosiana Pinacoteca and library has now been cancelled. However, a thrilling event has been planned for you instead, including a visit to the Biblioteca Trivulziana, as well as a guided tour of Michelangelo's masterpiece “La Pieta”. Once again, more details will be announced as we receive them. Please keep an eye on the website programme for further details. <http://www.aib.it/attivita/eblida-2013/2013/31886-eblida-program/>

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21st EBLIDA-NAPLE Conference Session 2 (afternoon) *From European Thinking to Local Actions.*

From European Thinking to local actions is divided into three breakout sessions:

The Spirit of Europe, *Actions in Europe* and *Local is critical*, each with a different speaker.

Today we are pleased to introduce:

Luca Bergamo*, speaker in breakout session *Actions in Europe*.

Since the 1st of March 2012, Luca Bergamo is the new secretary general of Culture Action Europe.

Previously, he was Director General of the Italian National Agency for Youth from its creation.

Between 2004 and 2007 he was Director General of the "Global Forum", an international foundation promoting peace dialogue, cultural cooperation and active citizenship in sensitive regions of the world, in cooperation with UN Agencies and local authorities worldwide.

From 1999 to 2004, Luca was the Executive Director of Zone Attive, a public-private company fostering cultural innovation in Italy. From 1993 to 1999 he was with the team of the Mayor of Rome and, in particular, led the youth policy department.

Previously Luca worked in ICT as artificial intelligence programmer. His study focused on political science and on the role that knowledge plays in human and social development.

During the EBLIDA NAPLE conference in Milan (15th May, 2013) Luca Bergamo will elaborate on the European Agenda and especially on Creative Europe. What it is, how it is possible to benefit from this programme, and how to act in concrete terms.

He will also show the role of Culture Action Europe on a political level, as well as the importance of federation associations, libraries, people over projects in order to gain visibility from European Institutions.

His speech will inspire the audience to engage in an active session moderated by Hella Klauser (Chair of the EBLIDA Expert Group on Culture and Information Society).

**Luca Bergamo, Secretary-General of Culture Action Europe. is replacing Mercedes Giovinazzo, President of Culture Action Europe.*



EBLIDA Activities

EGIL Meeting in The Hague, 10th of April 2013

EGIL members gathered on the 10th of April in the National Library of the Netherlands in The Hague. The purpose of the meeting was to work on specific topics high on the European Agenda such as: the questions of exceptions and limitations to Copyright and the question of licensing, the Collective Management Directive, the Public Sector Information Directive, the Data Protection Regulation and many other topics.

This meeting is also in conjunction with the CLM mid-term meeting that is taking place at the same location on the 11th and 12th of April. This joint CLM-EGIL meeting is the perfect opportunity to share information related to IPR issues and to see how things are developing both at National, European and International level and how best coordinate the work of the two groups. To be continued...

EBLIDA activities

Resource Pool of the Task Force on the MoU on Out-of-Commerce Works

Since the signature of the *Memorandum of Understanding on Out-of-Commerce Works* (www.eblida.org/MoU-EGIL.pdf), the stakeholders involved in the discussion maintained a continuous dialogue through frequent meetings. A year and a half ago, they set up a Task Force to identify digitisation projects in Europe that could benefit from the principles of the MoU. They also have alerted the European Commission on the necessity of funding to enable large scale digitisation projects as well as the need of EU legislation (recital 11) to achieve those.

After several meetings and the identification of some digitisation projects, the stakeholders agreed to create a resource pool hosted on the website of each organisation. This could help people interested to implement the MoU to identify contacts, information and support digitisation projects.

The webpage has just been created on the EBLIDA website and is available at <http://www.eblida.org/activities/information-law/mou-on-out-of-commerce-works-resource-pool.html>.

EBLIDA Partner of Cycling for Libraries

For its fourth edition, the *unconference* lands in Amsterdam (the Netherlands) to reach Brussels (Belgium), its final destination.

100 librarians from all over the world are registered and look forward to cycling between the two cities with stops in The Hague, Delft, Middelburg, Gent, and many other places.

EBLIDA takes part in the preparation of the event, and will welcome the participants in The Hague together with other Library organisations in the morning of 20th of June 2013. More important will be the gathering of librarians in Brussels, at the European Parliament on the 25th of June 2013.

During the preparatory meeting, Dutch, Belgian and other European partners passed on their video greetings for a successful unconference. You can access the greetings at http://www.cyclingforlibraries.org/?page_id=5435.

Although the event is already fully booked, you are most welcome to join the group for one day, wait for them during the stopovers or just support them. Just check frequently the website at <http://www.cyclingforlibraries.org/>



The eBooks Corner

The eBooks campaign continues and the advocacy work of EBLIDA is ongoing.

First of all, at the request of the EBLIDA Executive Committee, the eBooks survey will be integrated in the Knowledge and Information Centre. The data collected will therefore be made available through a downloadable report. This report should be based on the online interactive version that will be frequently updated.

Further more, EBLIDA expands its collaboration with IFLA as well as with NAPLE on the question of eBooks to collect as much data as possible.

Following up on frequent contact with the Federation of European Publishers (FEP), EBLIDA understood that there is no wish from their side to discuss the *EBLIDA Key Principles on the Acquisition of and Access to eBooks*. However the dialogue is maintained and EBLIDA has been invited to participate in an Open Forum on the 10th of May in Helsinki where publishers, authors and librarians should gather and discuss the eBooks issue.

The information remains rather elusive for the moment, but EBLIDA invites librarians from neighbouring countries of Finland, Scandinavia and the Baltic countries to attend the event and save the date in their agenda. More information to come by email and on the EBLIDA website soon.

Find out more about eBooks at <http://www.eblida.org/e-books-in-libraries.html>.



EBLIDA who's who?

As the network evolves, and as new members enter EBLIDA's community, the EBLIDA newsletter has decided to open its columns to members wishing to introduce themselves to others.

This month, EBLIDA opens its columns to: CALIS, The Cyprus Association of Librarians—Information Scientists

CALIS

The Cyprus Association of Librarians – Information Scientists (CALIS) was founded in 1984 under the name "Cyprus Association of Professional Librarians" (CAPL) and renamed in 2008 to reflect the contemporary environment in Information Science. It is the only valid and scientific association of the Librarians/Archivists/Information scientists in Cyprus (Societal Registration Number: 379). CALIS is a member of IFLA and EBLIDA. The Association has long enjoyed close co-operation with our colleagues in Greece. Membership is currently 200.

Under its statutes the Union's objectives are:

- ◆ to develop and promote higher standard levels of Library Management, Archives and the Information Science in Cyprus
- ◆ to ensure the profession of librarianship and its institutional consolidation.
- ◆ to help raise the prestige of library/archival/information science and the quality level of services offered by information centers
- ◆ to promote the interests of members of the profession
- ◆ to ensure the professional conduct of its members, both as an individual and as a group, to be of a high standard
- ◆ to promote solidarity among colleagues, to encourage mutual aid and mutual support among members, to promote the exchange experiences and mediation to solve disputes between them
- ◆ to develop social relations between members, between the Union, the employers and also the general public
- ◆ to monitor legislation related to libraries and to try to promote new and adequate legislative measures
- ◆ to monitor and coordinate all activities related to books and the professional judgment on matters concerning the organization and operation of the libraries in Cyprus.



Activities

The activities of CALIS are very rich and varied. From the first months of reactivation CALIS creates the first librarian blog in Cyprus with the aim of bringing together librarians/archivists/information scientists, disseminate the aims and position of CALIS and to promote events related to libraries, archives, museums and books. The Union provides press articles to inform the public for its activities and for any new legislative measures on matters concerning local relevant institutions. It organises lectures, seminars, workshops and conferences for members and public, visits in local libraries and relevant institutions around the island etc. In 2012 the board started collecting books, in order to offer them for charity.

Members have the chance to have annual cards from which they can gain reduction of prices in local bookshops and hotels in Cyprus and other benefits. The Union is also organizing trips for the members and friends of the Union. The first trip was to Egypt where the members had the chance to visit the Library of Alexandria, the Library of the Patriarchate of Alexandria and the house of the poet Constantine Cavafy. The Union also travelled to Lebanon and visited the libraries of the University of Balamand and the American University of Beirut. In Beirut, members of the Board were invited to meet with colleagues from the Librarians Association of Lebanon to exchange of views and to discuss the prospect of future cooperation. After continuous and persistent struggle CALIS managed to establish itself in the perception of governmental bodies as the only official Pancyprian body of librarians/archivists/information scientists, to convey its views to decision-making centers on the issues of libraries/archives/information centers. CALIS was invited to participate in parliamentary sessions and also was invited by Ministers of Education for advice on matters relating to government policy on libraries in Cyprus.

A member of CALIS' Board has a permanent place on the "Advisory Committee of the Cyprus Library" as a representative of the Union. Also a representative of the board participates in an ad-hoc Committee for Libraries, which was established by the Minister of Education and Culture.

Situation

The History and Culture of Cyprus is among the oldest in the world. The first signs of civilization traced in archaeological excavations and research date back 9,000 years to the 7th millennium BC. Geographically Cyprus is placed at the crossroads of three continents Europe, Asia and Africa and a meeting point of great world civilizations.

Cyprus has developed and for centuries maintained, its own civilization. It remained a center of Greek culture with Hellenistic, Roman, Byzantine, French, Venetian, Ottoman and British influences. Information and research resources of the island can be found in the 7 academic libraries, 120 school, 111 community, 31 public libraries around Cyprus and numerous special, business and private collections, the Cyprus Public Record Office (in 1991 it was renamed "State Archives") which was established in 1978 to provide for the preservation of public records and at the Cyprus Museum in Nicosia which houses the richest and most representative collection of Cypriote antiquities in Cyprus. District archaeological museums can be found in all towns whilst archaeological open monuments like castles and ancient theatres can be seen all over the island.



CALIS
Administrative Council



Vasiliki (Sylvia) V. Koukounidou;
President of the Administrative council of CALIS

Events and Dates

April 2013

April 8 –10, UKSG 36th Annual Conference and Exhibition

Place: Bournemouth, UK

URL: <http://www.uksg.org/event/conference13>

April 8 – 10, Information Technologies for Performing Arts, Media Access and Entertainment

Place: Porto, Portugal

URL: <http://www.eclap.eu/drupal/?q=node/113965>

April 9 – 10, Digital Present and Digital Future: Economic, Cultural, Educational, Legal and Technological Impacts

Place: Sofia, Bulgaria

URL: <http://unibit.bg/>

April 11 – 12, 5th European Conference on Intellectual Capital (ECIC-2013)

Place: Bilbao, Spain

URL: <http://academic-conferences.org/ecic/ecic2013/ecic13-home.htm>

April 12 – 14, Galleries, Libraries, Archives, Museums & Wikimedia (GLAM-WIKI) 2013

Place: London, UK

URL: http://uk.wikimedia.org/wiki/GLAM-WIKI_2013

April 14, 5th Digital Minds Conference

Place: London, UK

URL: <http://www.londonbookfair.co.uk/Education--Events/Digital-Minds-Conference/>

April 15 – 16, International Information Conference on Search, Data Mining, and Visualization (II-SDV)

Place: Nice, France

URL: <http://www.ii-sdv.com/>

April 15 – 17, London Book Fair

Place: London, UK

URL: <http://www.londonbookfair.co.uk/>

April 17, NISO Virtual Conference: EPUB3: What Libraries Need to Know

Place: Online only

URL: <http://www.niso.org/news/events/2013/virtual/epub3/#about>

April 17, 1st International Publishers Association (IPA) International Education Conference: "What Works? Policies, Resources, and Technologies for International Educational Success"

Place: London, UK

URL: <http://www.londonbookfair.co.uk/ipaconference>

April 17 – 19, 4th International Conference on Information Science and Information Literacy

Place: Sibiu, Romania

URL: <http://bcu.ulbsibiu.ro/conference/>

April 17 – 22, 25th International Book Fair and 12th Book Biennial

Place: Sarajevo, Bosnia

URL: <http://www.city.ba/en/pulse/1554-the-25th-book-fair-sarajevo-to-take-place-from-apr-17-22>

April 18 – 20, 20th International Book Festival Budapest

Place: Budapest, Hungary

URL: <http://www.bookfestival.hu/angol.html>

April 18 – 21, Thessaloniki Book Fair

Place: Thessaloniki, Greece

URL: http://www.thessalonikibookfair.com/2013/default_en.asp

April 24 – 26, Mediterranean Editors & Translators Meeting 2013

Place: Tarragona, Spain

URL: <http://www.metmeetings.org/en/program-topics:534>

April 26, Understanding eJournal Technology

Place: London, UK

URL: <http://www.alpsp.org/Ebusiness/Meetings/Meeting.aspx?ID=310>

April 29 – 30, 4th International Conference on Digital Document and Society Diversification and Renewal of Mediations

Place: Zagreb, Croatia

URL: <http://doc-soc.sciencesconf.org/?lang=en>

May 2013

May 1 – 5, Geneva International Book, Press and Multi-media Fair

Place: Geneva, Switzerland

URL: <http://www.salondulivre.ch/en/>

May 6 – 7, Framing the digital curation curriculum International Conference

Place: Florence, Italy

URL: <http://www.digcur-education.org/eng/International-Conference>

May 6 – 10, Conference and School on Records, Archives and Memory Studies

Place: Zadar, Croatia

URL: <http://ozk.unizd.hr/rams/>

May 7 – 8, Screening the Future 2013: Crossing Boundaries for AV Preservation

Place: London, UK

URL: <https://prestocentre.org/calendar/screening-future-2013-conference>

May 8 – 10, 9th International Conference on Web Information Systems and Technologies (WEBIST)

Place: Aachen, Germany

URL: <http://www.webist.org/>

May 9, Introduction to Journals Publishing

Place: London, UK

URL: <http://www.alpsp.org/Ebusiness/Meetings/Meeting.aspx?ID=311>

May 12, Citation Analysis for Publishers

Place: Oxford, UK

URL: <http://www.alpsp.org/Ebusiness/Meetings/Meeting.aspx?ID=314>

May 15, Project Management for Publishing

Place: London, UK

URL: <http://www.alpsp.org/Ebusiness/Meetings/Meeting.aspx?ID=334>

Events and Dates

May 15, 21st EBLIDA NAPLE Conference 2013 Conference: "Ready? Read 'e'. E-services in Libraries, from European thinking to local Actions"

Place: Milan, Italy

URL: <http://www.aib.it/attivita/ebtida2013/>

May 16 – 19, Prague International Book Fair and Literary Festival Book World

Place: Prague, Czech Republic

URL: <http://www.svetknihy.cz/en/menu/>

May 16 – 19, Warsaw Book Fair

Place: Warsaw, Poland

URL: <http://www.targi-ksiazki.waw.pl/en/>

May 16 – 20, Turin International Book Fair

Place: Turin, Italy

URL: <http://www.salonelibro.it/>

May 20 – 23, 9th Annual International Conference on Information Technology & Computer Science

Place: Athens, Greece

URL: <http://www.atiner.gr/computer.htm>

May 21 – 22, INFORUM 2013: 19th Conference on Professional Information Resources

Place: Prague, Czech Republic

URL: <http://www.inforum.cz/en/>

May 22, The Now and Future of Data Publishing

Place: Oxford, UK

URL: <http://researchdata.jiscinvolve.org/wp/2013/02/19/the-now-and-future-of-data-publishing-a-symposium-22-may-2013-oxford-uk/>

May 22 – 24, 18th Conference of the French Association of Information and Management (AIM): "Big Data, The next frontier to define for innovation and productivity"

Place: Lyon, France

URL: <http://events.em-lyon.com/AIM/2013/index.aspx>

May 26 – 30, Extended Semantic Web Conference 2013 (ESWC13)

Place: Montpellier, France

URL: <http://2013.eswc-conferences.org/>

May 28 – 31, ELAG 2013 Conference: "The INSIDE-OUT Library"

Place: Ghent, Belgium

URL: <http://www.elag.org/>

May 28 – 31, IASSIST Annual Conference: "Data Innovation: Increasing Accessibility, Visibility and Sustainability"

Place: Cologne, Germany

URL: <http://www.iassist2013.org/iassist-2013-home/>

May 29 – 31, 7th IEEE International Conference on Research Challenges in Information Science (RCIS 2013)

Place: Paris, France

URL: <http://rcis-conf.com/rcis2013/index.php>

Funding Calls, Grants and Deadlines

New! Award for libraries that empower women and girls through ICT. EIFL's Public Library Innovation Programme

(EIFL-PLIP) is inviting applications for a new award - for public and community libraries that empower women and girls through information and communication technology (ICT).

The call is open to public and community libraries in developing and transition countries. The prize includes US\$1,500 and the opportunity to publicize your service widely.

The deadline for submitting applications is May 8 2013 – a month away, so start preparing now! Applications will be accepted in English, French, Russian and Spanish.

Click the link for further details and information about how to apply <http://www.eifl.net/eifl-plip-innovation-awards> EIFL-PLIP launched the call to celebrate International Women's Day on March 8th. It is the fifth award in EIFL-PLIP's exciting series of Innovation Awards for libraries that improves lives in their communities.

Read more about other awards and winners at <http://www.eifl.net/eifl-plip-innovation-awards>



!!! SAVE THE DATE !!!

21st EBLIDA Annual Council 14th May 2013

The Executive Committee Meeting will take place on Monday 13th of May 2013

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