

President's Editorial



Dear EBLIDA members, dear colleagues,

Recently I attended the 38th Croatian Library Association General Conference and Assembly, in Osijek, Croatia. This was symbolic for two reasons:

The first reason is that in a few months time, Croatia will become the 28th Member-State of the European Union. In this period of challenge and doubt for European Institutions, I would like to welcome Croatia and wish the country a smooth integration among the member-states.

The second reason is that I made my first presentation as EBLIDA President on EBLIDA's e-books campaign. I highlighted the issues at stake to the audience and what actions EBLIDA is taking both at the European and at the national levels in coordination with these members.

I would like to take the opportunity of this editorial to remind you that in order for us to lobby at the European level, we need you to be active at your national level. The campaign cannot be successful without you. EBLIDA has already begun to enter into negotiations with publishers, and soon we will discuss these issues with the European Commission. But we also need you to negotiate with your local representatives in charge of this issue and to report to the Director, Vincent Bonnet (vincent.bonnet@eblida.org) and to the chair of the e-books Task force, Gerald Leitner (leitner@bvoe.at) about your actions. Every information collected is a step further in this campaign.

This month, the newly elected Executive Committee will have its first Executive Committee meeting with a busy and full agenda. The EC meeting will take place in Lisbon at the same time as the BAD conference of our Portuguese colleagues. EBLIDA will take an active part in this conference, since a few EC members will make presentations about the work achieved by the association. You will find a report on that in the next newsletter.

At last, as planned in the application form, the European grant will be used for the running costs of the Association and also for the website, creation of the Knowledge and Information Centre (KIC). EBLIDA Secretariat needs you to contribute to provide facts and figures for the KIC and will contact you in the coming months.

It has never been more true that libraries are creative places with innovative services. I am very happy to promote ideas that are inspiring for the library community. Please take a look at the article on Page 4 "the Urban Office of Helsinki" . I trust you will enjoy the creativity and innovation behind the idea.



Klaus-Peter Böttger,
EBLIDA President

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News round-up: European Union

Report on the proposal for a Directive on certain permitted use of Orphan works adopted by the European Parliament in Strasbourg on 13th September 2012

On 13th September in Strasbourg, the European Parliament voted in Plenary and in first reading the report on the proposal for a Directive of the European Parliament and of the Council on certain permitted uses of orphan works. This report has been prepared by the rapporteur MEP Lidia Joanna Geringer de Oedenberg (Group of the progressive alliance of Socialists and Democrats).

The adopted text is available at <http://www.europarl.europa.eu/sides/getDoc.do?pubRef=-//EP//TEXT+TA+P7-TA-2012-0349+0+DOC+XML+V0//EN>

This final version will be forwarded to the Council and the Commission and will serve as a basis for the Council's deliberations.

4th European Congress on e-Inclusion

ECEI 2012: 'Partnerships for a Digital Europe' (5 and 6 November 2012, Brussels) is a free to attend event which will assemble 150 delegates from all 27 European member states.

In a context of fiscal austerity and frozen public spending on the 2020 initiatives, Europe's Growth Strategy places a continual emphasis on the development of effective partnerships in order to tackle the current economic and social challenges facing modern Europe.

Public libraries are becoming the preferred delivery point for an increasing number of Ministries, Private sector partners and national scale NGOs.

You will hear from over 10 National Agencies, private sector and NGOs delivering programs in Europe's public libraries. These speakers, coming from Denmark, Romania, Latvia, UK, Spain, Bulgaria, Belgium and Poland will show you why public libraries make good partners.

Find out the latest from the European Commission on Partnership working and Europe 2020 initiatives; and gain a comprehensive understanding of the impact that Europe's Growth Strategy will have on e-inclusion initiatives going forward.

For more information on the conference objectives and programme, visit www.ecei12.com



News round-up: EBLIDA and Europe

Report EU's High Level Expert Group on Literacy

On the 6th of September the final report of the HLG on Literacy, chaired by H.R.H. Princess Laurentien of The Netherlands was published. The report looks into effective policies to reduce the number of young people and adults who lack basic reading and writing skills, analysed the most successful literacy programmes and calls for action in order to realise a fully literate Europe, supporting employment. EBLIDA, EGCIS has contributed with remarks on the role of libraries in improving literacy skills for Europeans citizens.

The EU Commission launched a dedicated website, including Commissioner Vassiliou's campaign: "Europe Loves Reading".

The HLG Chair attended also the Portuguese Conference on Reading, school success and social inclusion.

You can read the online version of the HLG report here:

<http://ec.europa.eu/education/literacy/sources/index.htm>

To download the full report In English or the Executive summary in your language:

http://ec.europa.eu/education/literacy/resources/final-report/index_en.htm

EBLIDA response:

<http://www.eblida.org/news/eblida-response-to-the-eu-high-level-group-on-literacy.html>

Portuguese Conference:

<http://www.planonacionaldeleitura.gov.pt/Roteiro/uploads/ficheiros/>



News round-up: EBLIDA and Europe

More Europe meeting in Amsterdam

Culture, one of the strongest assets Europe has, should be placed in the heart of the EU's external affairs. EUNIC, the cooperation of Cultural Institutes and ECF (European Cultural Foundation) are partners to drive this message in a year long campaign under the title: **More Europe**. A lively debate on this 'soft diplomacy' and the role of creative and cultural industries took place on 19th of September, in Amsterdam, in which MEP Marietje Schaake, Committee for Foreign Affairs and Committee on Culture and Education participated. For EBLIDA and EGCIS it was an opportunity to get closer to some mayor players in the cultural European field.

See the video's of the high level speakers, with their arguments for culture in Europe.

<http://www.culturalfoundation.eu/news/3164>

Culture Action Europe

'Knowledge building and dissemination' and 'European debates on culture' are two of the action lines of EBLIDA-partner Cultural Action Europe (CAE). EGCIS will participate in its General Assembly meeting 9-10 November, and has identified some common fields of action including citizens access and urban/regional sustainable development. A new advocacy programme is being prepared, including the last year of the campaign **We are more**, and participation in the **European Year of Citizens 2013**.

EBLIDA activities

11th NATIONAL CONFERENCE OF LIBRARIANS, ARCHIVISTS AND DOCUMENTALISTS of PORTUGAL



BIBLIOTECÁRIOS, ARQUIVISTAS E DOCUMENTALISTAS
integração, acesso e valor social



The overall theme of the BAD Conference is called Integration, Access and Social Value. It is organised in the following sub themes: Information systems and networks management, Technology at the service of users, Organizational openness and integration, Professionals and institutions, Social value of libraries and archives.

EBLIDA will have a very active part in this conference since 4 members of the Executive Committee will make presentations. The opening ceremony on Thursday 18th of October will welcome Maria Paula Santos (President of BAD), Sinikka Sipila (President-elect of IFLA) and Klaus-Peter Böttger (President of EBLIDA).

The 2 hours panel discussion on the 18th of October will be dedicated to the social values of libraries. It will focus on the following teams Strong libraries = strong Societies: democratizing access to knowledge through libraries by Sinikka Sipila, the European libraries and the challenges of e-books: an EBLIDA campaign by Klaus-Peter Böttger and Gerald Leitner; the Indissoluble ties between libraries and culture by Aldo Pirola and the 100 talents, co-creation the library with children and young adults by Erna Winters.

EBLIDA will be offered at this conference a great visibility on its current work.

If you want to know more about the conference, go to: <http://www.bad.pt/11congresso>

EBLIDA Executive Committee meeting

Taking the opportunity of the 11th National Congress of BAD, the Executive Committee of EBLIDA will meet during this time. On the 18th of October, EBLIDA Executive Committee members will take part in the BAD Conference (see above). On the 19th of October the Executive Committee will have its own meeting. A day long meeting with a broad agenda.

EBLIDA e-Books campaign

On 17th of October, the e-Books task force will meet to assess the campaign, prepare the next steps and work on the strategy. Representatives of the group already had a meeting with the Federation of European Publishers to discuss further involvement. In parallel, the Expert group on Information Law is working on a draft for Guiding Principles for Fair Licensing models.

Contact with the European Commission is ongoing, and discussions should be undertaken in the beginning of November.

UrbanOffice kaupunkitoimisto



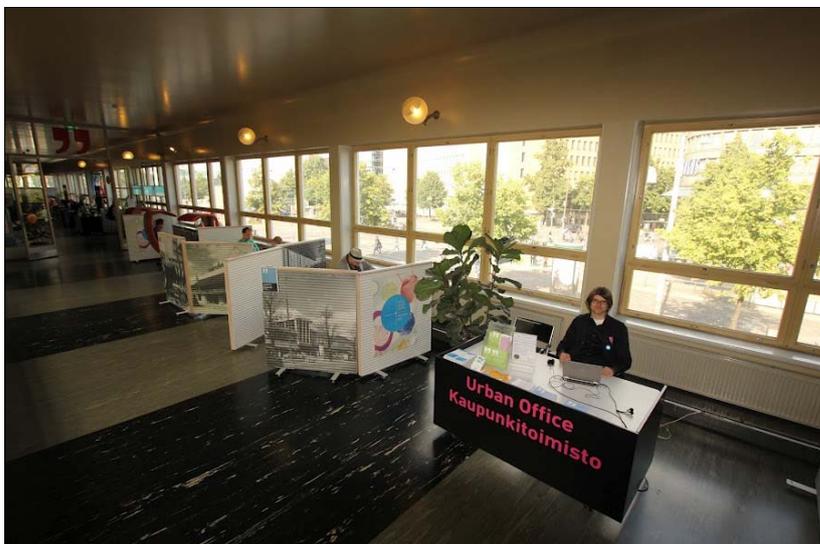
Urban Office – Redesigning library space for telecommuting An article by Roberto Corsini

Imagine a network of public work and meeting spaces, connected by an online service making it possible for anyone to reserve a space for their meeting from anywhere, free of charge. Imagine that those public spaces were public libraries all over the world that connect with each other in a concrete way not seen before.

The Urban Office is a service designed by Roberto Corsini at the Helsinki City Library in Finland that brings this dream closer to reality than one might think. An age-old way to use library space as work and meeting space has been redesigned to provide this possibility to everyone. Freelancers, small businesses, telecommuters and entrepreneurs flock to use the Urban Office as an alternative to noisy cafés, expensive business hotels or going back to the office between meetings. With an innovative mix of service design and grass roots marketing, the Urban Office of Helsinki has quickly grown into a popular short term work and meeting space solution for people from various professions.

While the service itself is simple, with elements found in most big libraries throughout Europe, it brings customers who normally would not use the library during work hours if at all, into the library. The service brings external specialists on entrepreneurship, business management and even job seeking into the Urban Office as lecturers and part of events, this service is much more than simply tables and chairs. In fact you could say that the Urban Office brings libraries closer to being an actual measurable part of the economy of the city. The approachability of the library, the expectation of knowledge and the general experience of awe and inspiration that people get while at the library, together with the functional approach to work spaces common to libraries, make the Urban Office a natural and popular part of the service palette.

Digging deeper into what happens at the Helsinki City Library's Urban Office, we find that Entrepreneur Helsinki holds many "Start your own business" sessions there, the national Creative Meetingpoint-project brings people from the creative industries together to talk about various themes relating to their field of work in workshop, like seminars for example. Furthermore, in association with the Ministry of Employment and Financial Development, there is a Recruitment Center attached to



the Urban Office helping people to find new jobs. Together they attract enough attention to the library as a place to find help in succeeding in society, that the bureau of Economic Development has grown an interest in the library as a real part of the growing economy of the city. Due to this, various projects have been planned around this theme. Every service connected to the Urban Office originates from the customers themselves.

The Urban Office network is still taking its baby steps and now is the right time to hop on board. Feel free to contact Roberto.Corsini@hel.fi for more information or visit him in Helsinki Finland for a tour. See <http://www.urbanoffice.fi/en> and <http://tinyurl.com/uophotos> for more info.



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. The idea is to get to know each other better, to discover more about our association-colleagues, and to strengthen our links and cooperation. And why not to open up discussions, to launch proposals, and to create partnerships?

This month, EBLIDA opens its columns to :

Bundesvereinigung Deutscher Bibliotheks- und Informationsverbände e.V.

Library and Information in Germany – Federal Union of German Library and Information Associations



Founded in 1989, BID is the umbrella organization of Germany's national library and information associations, uniting both institutional and professional organizations as well as some prominent cultural establishments. BID works as a communication platform for its member associations and represents them in national and international committees. Its members are as follows:

- ◆ German Library Association (dbv)
- ◆ Association of Information and Library Professionals (BIB)
- ◆ Association of German librarians (VDB)
- ◆ German Society for Information Science and Information Practice (DGI)
- ◆ Ekz Library Service GmbH
- ◆ Bertelsmann Foundation
- ◆ Goethe-Institute

BID's current President is Dr. Heinz-Jürgen Lorenzen, director of the Schleswig-Holstein library center.

BID is itself a member of several important German cultural organizations and, on an international level, of IFLA and EBLIDA – thus advocating the interests of German librarianship. The current EBLIDA-President, Klaus-Peter Böttger, is BID's representative in EBLIDA. BID also cooperates with NAPLE and LIBER.

In the last few years BID had focused on topics such as "media- and information competence" and "internet and digital society". In recent times it has set up a commission on work ethics, which deals with the manifold implications of professional ethics.

Every three years BID organizes the German Library and Information Congress at Leipzig. The next congress takes place in March 2013 (11.03.-14.03.13).

BID annually awards the Karl-Preusker-Medaille (Karl-Preusker-Medal) to committed individuals and organizations in recognition of special services to German librarianship. The medal commemorates Karl Benjamin Preusker (1786-1871), the founder of the first German public library in Großenhain near Dresden in 1828.

BID fosters cooperation with library and information associations in Europe and throughout the world. It encourages professional contacts between librarians and information specialists worldwide and has therefore established the Standing Commission "Bibliothek und Information International – BII" (Library and Information International). The commission coordinates the transfer of international know-how. It finances study visits for foreign library and information specialists to Germany and helps German professionals to go abroad.

BID's current President is Dr. Heinz-Jürgen Lorenzen



Events and Dates

September 2012

September 23 – 27, International Conference on Theory and Practice of Digital Libraries 2012 (TPDL)

Place: Paphos, Cyprus

URL: <http://www.tpd12012.org/>

September 24 – 26, 4th International M-Libraries Conference 2012: "From margin to mainstream: mobile technologies transforming lives and libraries"

Place: Milton Keynes, UK

URL: <http://m-libraries.org/>

September 27, 2nd International Workshop on Semantic Digital Archives(SDA)

Place: Paphos, Cyprus

URL: <http://sda2012.dke-research.de/>

September 27, To Measure or Not to Measure: Driving Usage to Content - Marketing, Measurement and Metrics

Place: London, UK

URL: <http://www.alpsp.org/Ebusiness/Meetings/Meeting.aspx?ID=305>

September 27 – 30, Göteborg Book Fair

Place: Göteborg, Sweden

URL: <http://www.bok-bibliotek.se/en/the-book-fair/welcome/>

October 2012

October 1 – 3, Emerging Technologies in Academic Libraries (EMTACL '12)

Place: Trondheim, Norway

URL: <http://www.ntnu.no/ub/emtacl/>

October 3 – 5, Library 2012 Worldwide Virtual Conference

Place: Online only

URL: <http://www.library20.com/>

October 3 – 5, 30th International Book Fair LIBER

Place: Barcelona, Spain

URL: <http://www.liber.es>

October 4 – 7, 4th International Conference on Knowledge Discovery, Knowledge Engineering and Knowledge Management (IC3K)

Place: Barcelona, Spain

URL: <http://www.ic3k.org/>

October 5 – 6, 6th International BAM Conference: European Guidelines for Cooperation of Libraries, Archives and Museums: Knowledge Management

Place: Sarajevo and Tuzla, Bosnia and Herzegovina

URL: <http://www.bam.ba/index.php/en/konferencija-bam/46-bam-konferencije/134-bam-2012>

October 8 – 12, 13th International Society for Music Information Retrieval Conference (ISMIR 2012)

Place: Porto, Portugal

URL: <http://ismir2012.ismir.net/>

October 9, STM Frankfurt Conference 2012

Place: Frankfurt, Germany

URL: <http://www.stm-assoc.org/events/frankfurt-conference-2012/>

October 9, Tools of Change for Publishers (TOC) Frankfurt Conference 2012

Place: Frankfurt, Germany

URL: <http://tocfrankfurt.com/>

October 9 – 11, Innovation in Information Infrastructures (III) Workshop 2012

Place: Edinburgh, Scotland

URL: <http://www.business-school.ed.ac.uk/about/school-events?a=44968>

October 9 – 11, Europeana Conference/6th National Congress of Spanish Public Libraries: Public Libraries: individual memory, global heritage

Place: Burgos, Spain

URL: http://www.mcu.es/bibliotecas/novedades/2012/novedades_02.html

October 10 – 14, Frankfurt Book Fair

Place: Frankfurt, Germany

URL: www.book-fair.com/en/xbf/

October 17, 3rd Annual Ebook Summit, The Digital Shift: Libraries, Ebooks and Beyond

Place: Online only

URL: <http://www.thedigitalshift.com/events/ebooks-and-beyond/>

October 17 – 19, PASIG 11th international meeting

Place: Dublin, Ireland

URL: <http://www.asis.org/Pasig/events/2012/PASIGDublin2012.html>

October 18 – 20, 11th National Congress of Librarians, Archivists and Documentalists of Portugal: Integração, acesso e valor social

Place: Lisbon, Portugal

URL: <http://www.bad.pt/11congresso/>

October 18 – 19, Information Literacy - training models and best practices

Place: Varna, Bulgaria

October 18 – 21, 13th Annual International and Interdisciplinary Conference of the Association of Internet Researchers (AoIR)

Place: Manchester, UK

URL: <http://ir13.aoir.org/>

October 23, 5th Annual International Society of Managing and Technical Editors (ISMTE) European Conference

Place: Oxford, UK

URL: http://www.ismte.org/2012_Conferences

October 23 – 30, 56th International Belgrade Book Fair

Place: Belgrade, Serbia

URL: http://belgradefair.rs/active/en/home/details/_params/sajam_id/33381.html

October 24 – 25, 10th International Workshop on Adaptive Multimedia Retrieval (AMR 2012)

Place: Copenhagen, Denmark

URL: <http://amr.dke-research.de/amr2012/>

October 25 – 28, Helsinki Book Fair 2012

Place: Helsinki, Finland

URL: www.helsinkibookfair.fi

Events and Dates

October 29 – 31, World Publishing Expo (IFRA Expo) 2012

Place: Madrid, Spain

URL: <https://www.ifra.com/website/onlinereg.nsf/webregistration?openform&AI&E&Events&O-29OCT12-D&>

October 30 – 31, Internet Librarian International 2012

Place: London, UK

URL: <http://www.internet-librarian.com/2012/>

November 2012

November 5 – 7, 6th Conference of the Central Library of Forschungszentrum Jülich: Networked knowledge - data, people, systems (WissKom 2012)

Place: Aachen, Germany

URL: http://www.fz-juelich.de/zb/DE/WissKom2012/WissKom2012_node.html

November 6 – 7, Alliance for Permanent Access (APA) 2012 Conference

Place: Frascati, Italy

URL: <http://www.alliancepermanentaccess.org/index.php/community/event/apa-2012-conference-6-7-nov-esaesrin-frascati/>

November 6 – 8, J. Boye Aarhus 12 Web and Intranet Conference: "Sharing is Caring"

Place: Aarhus, Denmark

URL: <http://aarhus12.jboye.com/>

November 7 – 9, CIRN 2012 Community Informatics Conference: 'Ideals meet Reality'

Place: Prato, Italy

URL: <http://cirn.wikispaces.com/prato2012>

November 8 – 10, Mediterranean Editors and Translators Meeting 2012 (METM12): "Craft & Critical Vision: Diving Beneath the Surface of Discourse"

Place: Venice, Italy

URL: http://www.metmeetings.org/index.php?page=metm12_call

November 9 – 11, Basel Book Fair

Place: Basel, Switzerland

URL: <http://www.buchbasel.ch/>

November 12 – 13, 19th IBIMA Conference: Innovation Vision 2020: Sustainable growth, Entrepreneurship, and Economic Development

Place: Barcelona, Spain

November 15 – 17, 17th International Conference on Information Quality (ICIQ)

Place: Paris, France

URL: <http://iciq2012.cnam.fr/>

November 16 – 18, Dublin Book Festival

Place: Dublin, Ireland

URL: <http://www.dublinbookfestival.com/dublin-book-festival-2012/>

November 17 – 25, 31st International Istanbul Book Fair 2012

Place: Istanbul, Turkey

Sponsor/Organizer: TÜYAP Fair and Exhibition Organization, Inc and Publishers Association of Turkey

URL: <http://istanbulkitapfuari.com/>

November 20, Beyond the rhetoric: new opportunities in

open access

Place: London, UK

URL: <http://www.alpsp.org/Ebusiness/Meetings/Meeting.aspx?ID=290>

November 20 – 21, Online Information 2012

Place: London, UK

Sponsor/Organizer: Incisive Media, Ltd.

URL: <http://www.online-information.co.uk>

November 23 – 24, 7th Munin conference 2012 – Trends in scholarly publishing

Place: Tromsø, Norway

URL: <http://www.ub.uit.no/baser/ocs/index.php/Munin/MC7/index>

November 25 – 29, Workshop On Web Based And Distributed Information Systems (WEBDIS'12)

Place: Sorrento, Italy

URL: <http://www.sitis-conf.org/en/workshop-webdis--12.php?Preview=ok>

November 26 – 28, Semantic Web in Libraries Conference (SWIB 12)

Place: Cologne, Germany

URL: <http://swib.org/swib12/>

November 28 – 30, 6th Metadata and Semantics Research Conference (MTRSR 2012)

Place: Cádiz, Spain

URL: <http://mtrsr2012.uca.es/index.php>

November 28 – 30, 13th International Conference on Web Information System Engineering (WISE 2012)

Place: Paphos, Cyprus

URL: <http://www.wise2012.cs.ucy.ac.cy/>

November 30, Open Horizons: A Revolution in Open Science

Place: Brussels, Belgium

URL: <http://www.leru.org/index.php/public/extra/open-horizons-a-revolution-in-open-science/>

EIFL's Public Library Innovation Programme (EIFL-PLIP) is inviting applications for a new award – for innovative library services that contribute to social inclusion in the community.

The award, which includes a prize of US\$1,500, is open to public and community libraries in developing and transition countries. The deadline for submitting applications is November 30, so start preparing your application now!

EIFL-PLIP is accepting applications in English, French, Russian and Spanish.

Many economic and social risk factors can lead to social exclusion, for example, distance, under-development, poverty, homelessness, unemployment, poor health, disability, illiteracy, age, cultural differences, addiction, racism and gender inequality.

By taking the initiative, and using information and communication technology (ICT) in creative ways, libraries can reach out to socially excluded groups and strengthen social cohesiveness.

This is the third award in EIFL-PLIP's series of four Innovation Awards. The aim of the awards is to share stories about the positive impact of innovative library services and to inspire other libraries to start similar services.

To find out more about this award and for application details visit <http://www.eifl.net/eifl-plip-innovation-awards>.