Dear EBLIDA members, dear colleagues,

I hope you all had a wonderful and relaxing Summer.

Just before the start of IFLA Lyon, EBLIDA co-organised with IFLA Copyright and other Legal Matters (CLM) a successful Satellite Conference Copyright and Beyond: Libraries in the Public Sphere. Experts from all over the world gathered to share their experience, and discuss the issues libraries are facing related to copyright, licensing, international trade agreement, etc. The presentations of these intense 2 days of meetings can be found at http://bit.ly/1kZKsKG.

The IFLA World Library and Information Congress held in Lyon went really well and was a great experience. It was the first time that EBLIDA had a booth there and that gave us the opportunity to promote the association, the “Right to E-Read” Campaign and the ELINET Project.

The booth was designed and furnished by Schulz Speyer and provided a library-like environment to discuss libraries’ issues. It was frequently visited especially during the exhibition opening when hundreds of librarians gathered in the exhibition hall and visited the booths to gather information, leaflets, and goodies for their bags.

EBLIDA furthered the promotion of the campaign by offering 5 different models of postcard “Greetings from Lyon” with basic information on the campaign on the back of each postcard. In addition, thanks to Ekz.bibliotheksservice, EBLIDA was able to create a limited edition of “The Right to E-Read” bags. Hopefully, our campaign has now gone international!

Thanks to the support of ALBAD (the Luxembourgish Librarians, Archivists and Documentalists’ Association) and its President Jean-Marie Reding, EBLIDA had the opportunity on Monday 18th to offer a taste of Europe without borders with a sip of Schengen Wines! A lot of friends and colleagues gathered for that event and exchanged ideas on improving access to information via libraries.

A week later, I had the great honour of being invited to the opening of the brand new National Library of Latvia in Riga. Needless to say, I am very excited that our next Council and Conference will be held in this extraordinary building. It is aesthetically pleasing with wonderful architecture, comfortable, very well located and full of what a 21st century library needs! I would like to thank our Latvian colleagues for their more than generous offer to host the 23rd EBLIDA Conference there.

During the Summer, the EBLIDA office remained open, and we continued our meetings with partners and other stakeholders to move forward on library issues.

Enjoy reading!

Klaus-Peter Böttger,
EBLIDA President
Klaus-Peter Böttger presenting the “Right to E-Read” Campaign at the EBLIDA booth during IFLA WLIC in Lyon

During IFLA WLIC, EBLIDA President was interviewed for the IFLA Express. After a brief introduction to EBLIDA’s role and mission, he answered the question “[...] What is the purpose of the campaign?”

Klaus-Peter Böttger: “We have a campaign because the European framework doesn’t cover all the questions which have to do now with licensing, so publishers can actually refuse to give licenses to libraries for lending e-books. For instance, in Germany only 40% of bestsellers are available as e-books, so readers often expect libraries, especially public libraries, to have printed versions, audiobooks, and e-book versions. If libraries do not purchase their e-books directly from the publishers, there can be real problems and individual libraries are not necessarily in the best position to negotiate in such cases. Therefore, the campaign tries to directly influence and lobby the European Parliament to solve problems on behalf of the libraries...and so therefore the end users themselves, the readers”.

Klaus-Peter Böttger then invited everyone to sign the petition and asked people to communicate about and promote the campaign and petition before the deadline of 31st October 2014 is reached. It is only a few weeks ahead of us. So if your organisation, members, library patrons and users haven’t done so, please ask them to sign the petition NOW at http://www.change.org/en-GB/organisations/eblida.

CJEU and the lending of e-books via public libraries: Action needed!

By Gerald Leitner, Chair of the E-Books Task Force.

It’s official!!

Since the 3rd of September, the question of the lending of e-books via public libraries is handed over to the CJEU.

Thanks to our Dutch colleagues from the VOB, the question of whether downloading e-books via a library website under the “one copy/one user model” and whether exhaustion of rights fall under the current copyright rules will have to be answered at the European level (read more on page 3 and 4).

In addition, as of the 1st of November the new European Commission should be in place. The new European Commission will need to be made aware of the situation libraries are facing with the developments of access to e-books.

The question to the CJEU gives all libraries in Europe renewed momentum to catch the attention of politicians. Should the result of the ruling be positive, it would benefit the whole library scene in Europe. If we want to be successful we need to act now!

Act Now:

- Make contact with and inform your government about this preliminary ruling and request support for the action;
- Sign and promote the petition before the 31st of October.
ELINET members of the team 7 (awareness raising) met in London on 30th June to discuss best practices from different countries. At the meeting, members of team 7 worked out selection criteria to assess literacy campaigns and projects.

Over the summer, it was agreed to work out an assessment of selected best practices distributed between teams of organisations grouped by 3. Each group assessed 25 literacy projects.

The results are under review and should help feed into the best practices toolkit.

The booth at IFLA provided EBLIDA with the opportunity to present the ongoing work of the European Literacy Network (ELINET) to librarians from all over Europe (and obviously the world).

**Literacy for all—European Library Network**

On the literacy front, a new partner has been created.

Literacy for all — European Library Network is a public library network focussing on adult literacy and the role libraries in Europe can play in reducing it. The mission of the network is to create space for exchanging ideas and to facilitate mutual encouragement among library workers, with the purpose to further develop library services that promotes literacy among Europe's adult population.

Among the active members of the network is our colleague Bruno Duarte Eiras (EBLIDA EC member—substitute of Maria Jose Moura).

Have a look at their blog at [http://literacvtorallnetwork.wordpress.com/](http://literacvtorallnetwork.wordpress.com/) and follow them [@literacyeurope](http://twitter.com/literacyeurope)

**News round-up (EBLIDA and the EU)**

**Court of Justice of the European Union to be consulted over the lending of e-books via public libraries**

A few months ago, the Dutch Public Libraries Association (VOB) filed a test case against the Leenrecht (Lending Right) Foundation to decide on the issue of whether lending rights should apply to the lending of e-books.

On 3 September 2014, the Court of the Hague published its judgement asking a preliminary ruling to the Court of Justice of the European Union (CJEU).

The Dutch Public Libraries Association (VOB) and EBLIDA welcome this procedure that could hopefully lead to a declaration of principle that should apply to Public Libraries in other European countries as well.

**What would be the preliminary ruling about?**

The questions that the Court of The Hague referred to for a preliminary ruling by the CJEU is about agreeing that “the making available on line of e-books by public libraries for a limited period of time through downloading is covered by the lending right exception of the EU directive on rental- and lending rights”. It doesn’t address all forms of remote access to e-books via public libraries, but questioned the legality of the downloading of e-books via public libraries under the one copy/one user model.

It remains an interesting case in the sense that it also questions the exhaustion of rights regarding digital copies through on line distribution, a notion that is further developed in the “Right to E-Read” position paper (see [http://www.eblida.org/News/2014/EBLIDA_E-read_position-paper.pdf](http://www.eblida.org/News/2014/EBLIDA_E-read_position-paper.pdf)).

A few days later on 8th September, C4C (Copyright for Creativity) together with Kennisland organised the Copyright for Innovation debate in The Hague (read more at [http://copyright4creativity.eu/project/copyright4innovation-thehague/](http://copyright4creativity.eu/project/copyright4innovation-thehague/)).

Prof Dirk Visser (Vereniging van Openbare Bibliotheken – VOB) was among the prestigious speakers. He notably discussed, on behalf of the VOB, the court case between the Dutch Library Association and the Stichting Leenrecht on e-lending.
Prof. Dirk Visser made clear what questions the CJEU would have to answer, such as:

- Does ‘lending’ in the EU directive also cover online lending of e-books?
  > For novels, storybooks, biographies, travel stories, children books and youth literature;
  > under the one copy, one user model?
- If so, does it have to be based on a digital copy put on the market by the rights owner?
  > If not, are there any other requirements?
- If so, can it be put on the market by downloading?

What’s next?

Although it is up to the CJEU to decide, in order for real change to happen, each library association of each member-state needs to raise awareness about this preliminary ruling with their national government. Each member-state needs to be convinced that this judgement is a good first step on the way to a broader copyright reform that will support libraries missions to give citizens access to knowledge and information.

10th September—The New EU Commission organigram is published

On Wednesday 10 September, the European Commission published the new organigram. There are some major changes as the European Commission’s press release more specifically states that: “Unit MARKT D1 (Copyright), the part of Unit MARKT D3 (Fight against Counterfeiting and Piracy) dealing with copyright enforcement, and the part of unit MARKT E3 (Online and postal Services) dealing with online services moves from DG Internal Market and Services (MARKT) to DG CONNECT.”


This are big changes in the copyright environment.

Proposed commissioners still need to be approved by the Members of the European Parliament after the hearings. More to follow in the coming weeks.
Why FESABID?
The very best first associative movement in Spain dates back to 1935 when IFLA held its Second International Congress in Madrid “as a mark of consid-
eration and interest towards the great work carried out for development of libraries and starting of two libraries associations…”

After the advent of democracy and the new organisation of the state, began the rise of various associations, professional associations and federations by type of service and by different specialties at the regional level, and FESABID was formalised at national level in 1988.

FESABID was created as an umbrella open federation of all the Spanish information sector associations wishing to join the project, thinking that such integration would help them to achieve their own purposes and respecting the sovereignty of the different member associations.

WHAT FESABID DOES?
FESABID works by following an Strategic Plan/Action Plan 2012-14, generated from a group discussion between all the representatives of the different member associations.

The Action Plan is structured around 8 work lines:
• LINE 1 - Legal aspects
• LINE 2 - Studies and analyses
• LINE 3 - Financing and Sustainability
• LINE 4 - Synergies between associations and other agents
• LINE 5 - Communication and dissemination
• LINE 6 - FESABID brand
• LINE 7 - Internationalisation
• LINE 8 - Services to partners

Over the past three years FESABID has devoted special efforts to Lines 1, 2, and 7

In relation to LINE 1 and thanks to the very professional work of the Working Group BPI (Libraries and Intellectual Property) and our constant presence in the General Sub-directorate for Intellectual Property (Spain) we have been able to analyse and make suggestions to all regulations concerning intellectual property and libraries, that have been developed over this last three years: Remuneration to the authors for their loans, Reform of the Spanish Intellectual Property Law, Support Letter in relation with the proposed EU Directive on orphan works… and disseminate this information at national level.

We can include in this LINE the Professional Code of Ethics for Spain developed with the “consensus” of all the member associations, and now available internationally in IFLANET, and currently translated into the 4 official languages of the state, to give visibility through FESABID website.

LINE 2:
Preparation and submission in 2011 of “FESABID Study on Information Professionals: A Prospective Evolving Profession”
Preparation and submission in December 2013 of “FESABID Report on economic and social value of information services: libraries”
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This study aims to demonstrate the impact on society and on economy of the services provided to citizens, relying on the belief that these services are not an expense but a profitable investment.

LINE 7: FESABID´s internationalization occupies a significant portion of our energies and resources. Being present in international forums is essential to widen our professional horizons.
FESABID currently has a representative at IFLA´s Governing Board: Gloria Pérez-Salmerón, while Nuria Altarriba Vigata, coordinator of the BPI Group has become part of the CLM (Copyright and Legal Matters) IFLA section and Margarita Taladriz Mas serves on the IFLA´s MLAS (Management of Library Associations) SC.
FESABID is also very active at EBLIDA, where Gloria Pérez Salmeron is the Vice-President in its Executive Committee.

FESABID coordinates the Spanish Caucus activity at IFLA. Along this 2014 we are assisting in the Spanish translation of all documentation generated by IFLA, after finding that, after the English, which is “lingua franca” in IFLA, Spanish is the second language and therefore IFLA’s interest in having a Spanish site.

FESABID’S FUTURE
Obviously it is always possible to do much more than what is done, but the fact of having a good self working generic lines frame, allows us everyday activity and a certain vision of the future in this rapidly changing sector.

We must be able to exploit the situation and look for opportunities in this new environment. We must be able to position ourselves in the new scenario you draw, look around us and take our strengths: expertise, wide opening hours, recognizable as a meeting space and reception without any discrimination and with full respect for the individual privacy and the potential to offer the society they serve.

In promoting the associative movement we are making special efforts in:
• Integrate new professionals, knowing that they will provide us with new ways of doing things.
• Continue to participate in international forums that discuss the same problems and issues that affect us, not only for what we receive but what we are able to provide.
• Be able to undertake joint projects within FESABID. The shared tasks make people closer when your goals are going in the same direction, because criteria are unified and individual efforts are saved.
• Work on Intellectual Property issues by sending to the legislative and responsible institutions our opinion, but always working within the law.
• Uphold the professionalism of the various actors involved in the management of information to critical situations and this will help our recent Code of Ethics, but always keeping in mind our ultimate goal: give the best service to the citizens, who are our main goal.

July, 2014
Margarita Taladriz-Mas
President of FESABID
Events and Dates

**September 2014**

September 10 – 12, 28th International Conference on Informatics for Environmental Protection
Place: Oldenburg, Germany
URL: http://www.enviroinfo2014.org/

September 10 – 12, ALPSP International Conference 2014
Place: London, UK
URL: http://www.alpsp.org/EBusiness/TrainingAndEvents/ALPSPInternationalConference.aspx

September 11 – 12, 8th European Conference on IS Management and Evaluation (ECIME 2014)
Place: Ghent, Belgium
URL: http://academic-conferences.org/ecime/ecime2014/ecime14-home.htm

September 12, 4th international Workshop on Semantic Digital Archives (SDA 2014)
Place: London, UK
URL: http://sda2014.dke-research.de/

September 12, 3rd International Workshop on Mining Scientific Publications
Place: London, UK
URL: http://core-project.kmi.open.ac.uk/dl2014/

September 12, 2nd Workshop on Linking and Contextualizing Publications and Datasets
Place: London, UK
URL: http://lcpd2014.research-infrastructures.eu/

September 15 – 16, Augmented Digital Libraries Workshop (ADL2014)
Place: Graz, Austria
URL: http://adl2014.wordpress.com/

September 16 – 19, 14th International Conference on Knowledge Technologies and Data-driven Business (i-KNOW 14)
Place: Graz, Austria
URL: http://i-know.tugraz.at/

September 17, Commissioning Content: Working Effectively with Authors and Editors (ALPSP Training Course)
Place: London, UK
URL: http://www.alpsp.org/EBusiness/Meetings/Meeting.aspx?id=374

September 17, International Data and Information Management Conference (IDIMC 2014)
Place: Loughborough, UK
URL: http://idimc.org/

September 17 – 19, International Conference on Digital Intelligence (DI 2014)
Place: Nantes, France
Sponsor/Organizer: Organizing Committee
URL: http://www.di2014.org/

September 17– 19, 6th Conference on Open Access Scholarly Publishing (COASP)
Place: Paris, France
URL: http://oaspa.org/conference/

September 17 – 21, 22nd annual conference of the Society for the History of Authorship, Reading & Publishing: Religions of the Book
Place: Antwerp, Belgium
URL: http://www.sharp2014.be/

September 18 – 21, 4th Conference on Digital Presentation and Preservation of Cultural and Scientific Heritage (DIPP 2014)
Place: Veliko Tarnovo, Bulgaria

Place: Online only

September 21 – 26, Autumn School 2014 for Information Retrieval and Information Foraging
Place: Schloss Dagstuhl, Germany
URL: https://www.uni-hildesheim.de/fb3/institute/iwist/veranstaltungen/asirf/

September 22, 7th Workshop on Information Logistics and Knowledge Supply (ILOG 2014)
Place: Lund, Sweden
URL: http://www.informatik.uni-rostock.de/ilog2014.html

September 22, 1st International Workshop on Future Search Engines (FORSEE 2014)
Place: Stuttgart, Germany
URL: http://foresee.unister.de/schedule

September 22 – 24, 13th International Conference on Perspectives in Business Informatics Research (BIR 2014): "Making a smarter difference with ICT"
Place: Lund, Sweden
URL: http://www.ics.lu.se/en/research/bir2014

September 22 – 24, 3rd International Conference on Informatics Engineering and Information Science (ICIEIS2014)
Place: Lodz, Poland
URL: http://sdiwc.net/conferences/2014/icieis2014/

September 22 – 24, RDA 4th Plenary Meeting
Place: Amsterdam, Netherlands
URL: https://rd-alliance.org/rda-fourth-plenary-meeting.html

September 22 – 26, 8th International Workshop on Applications of Semantic Technologies – AST 2014
Place: Stuttgart, Germany
Events and Dates (continued)

URL: http://ast2014.fzi.de/

September 24, NISO Virtual Conference: Library Data in the Cloud
Place: Online only
URL: http://www.niso.org/news/events/2014/virtual/data_in_the_cloud/

September 25–27, euroIA 2014
Place: Brussels, Belgium
URL: http://www.euroIA.org/

September 25–28, 30th Göteborg Book Fair - Bok & Bibliotek
Place: Göteborg, Sweden
URL: http://www.bokmassan.se/en/

September 29 – October 1, 2014 International Conference on Information Technologies for Epigraphy and Digital Cultural Heritage in the Ancient World
Place: Paris, France
URL: http://www.eagle-network.eu/about/events/eagle2014/

October 2014

October 1, The Digital Shift: Libraries @ the Center
Place: Online only

October 2–4, 18th Panhellenic Conference on Informatics (PCI 2014)
Place: Athens, Greece
URL: http://pci2014.hua.gr/

October 6 – 7, 1st International Workshop on Patent Mining and Its Applications (IpaMin 2014)
Place: Hildesheim, Germany
URL: http://www.uni-hildesheim.de/konvens2014/pages/IpaMin%20Call%20for%20Papers.html

October 7, STM Frankfurt Conference 2014
Place: Frankfurt, Germany
URL: http://www.stm-assoc.org/events/frankfurt-conference-2014/

October 8–9, Library 2.014 Worldwide Virtual Conference
Place: Online only
URL: http://slisweb.sjsu.edu/center-information-research-and-innovation-ciri/library-20

October 8–10, Conference on Natural Language Processing
Place: Hildesheim, Germany
URL: http://www.uni-hildesheim.de/konvens2014/Introduction.html

October 8–12, Frankfurt Book Fair
Place: Frankfurt, Germany

September 10–11, European Guidelines for Cooperation between Libraries, Archives and Museums: "Standards and quality of services" (BAM 2014)
Place: Sarajevo, Bosnia and Herzegovina
URL: http://www.bam.ba/

October 12–14, 26th International Conference on Trends for Scientific Information Professionals (ICIC 2014)
Place: Heidelberg, Germany
URL: http://www.haxel.com/icic/2014/meeting

October 13–14, ISMTE European Conference
Place: London, UK
URL: https://ismte.site-ym.com/?page=2014EUConf

October 13–15, 11th Prato Community Informatics Research Network (CIRN) Conference
Place: Prato, Italy
URL: http://cirn.wikispaces.com/Conference+Call+2014

October 13–16, 3rd Innovation in Information Infrastructures (III) Workshop
Place: Oslo, Norway

October 15–17, Conference on ENTERprise Information Systems (CENTERIS 2014)
Place: Troia, Portugal
URL: http://centeris.scika.org/?page=home

October 16, Search Engine Strategies Denver
Place: Denver, CO
URL: http://sesconference.com/denver/

October 17–18, 11th OWL: Experiences and Directions Workshop (OWLED)
Place: Riva del Garda, Italy
URL: http://www.w3.org/community/owled/workshop-2014/

October 19–23, 13th International Semantic Web Conference (ISWC)
Place: Trento, Italy
URL: http://iswc2014.semanticweb.org/

October 20–22, Internet Librarian International 2014
Place: London, UK
URL: http://www.internet-librarian.com/2014/

October 21–24, 6th International Joint Conference on Knowledge Discovery, Knowledge Engineering and Knowledge Management – IC3K 2014
Place: Rome, Italy
URL: http://www.ic3k.org/

October 25–31, 2014 IEEE Conference on Information Visualization (INFOVIS)
Place: Paris, France
URL: http://www.ieee.org/conferences_events/conferences/conferencedetails/index.html?Conf_ID=31216