

AILIS

Association of International Librarians and Information Specialists

Annual General Assembly 2009, 27 February, WHO PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Executive Committee in 2008

AILIS EXCOM Members 2008	
Kristine Clara	ITU International Telecommunication Union
Ruth Creamer	IBE UNESCO International Bureau of Education
Sylvie Jacque	UNOG United Nations Office Geneva
Avril Reid	WHO World Health Organization
Kiyo Shibata	ILO International Labour Organization
Joanne Yeomans	CERN European Organization for Nuclear Research
Evelyn Valarino	Geneva University, Service de coordination des bibliothèques (SEBIB)

The executive committee has met 7 times on the following dates:

AILIS EXCOM MEETINGS 2008
21 January
10 March
8 April
19 May
28 August
29 September
7 November

Both Avril Reid, WHO focal point, and Joanne Yeomans, CERN focal point, have left the EXCOM committee end 2008. Pending approval by the General Assembly, we welcome two new EXCOM members, Tulio Basaglia from CERN and Katerina Petruskova, the new WHO focal point. We propose to give a warm welcome to the two new EXCOM members and toast to our future collaboration.

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Programme for 2008

Date	Event	Location
Friday 25 January (all day)	Annual Professional Visit <i>Visit to the Bibliothèque de Lyon.</i> Full details on the continuing education page .	Geneva-Lyon
Monday 4 th February (15:30)	Library Science Talk <i>Future importance of bibliographic data: Sharing and control in the Web 2.0</i> Patrick Danowski, Department for Information- and Datamanagement, Staatsbibliothek zu Berlin - Stiftung Preussischer Kulturbesitz Berlin, Germany Abstract and Downloaded slides or Slides at Slideshare .	CERN
Tuesday 19th February (12:30)	AILIS General Assembly All AILIS members are invited to join for the meeting and for lunch.	WHO Restaurant
Monday 10th March (15:30) Rescheduled to December	Library Science Talk <i>DRIVER project: building a European repository network</i> Rosemary Russell, UKOLN, Bath, UK	ITU
Monday 14th April (15:30)	Library Science Talk <i>The Library 2.0 challenge: are you ready?</i> Alan Oliver, Ex Libris, London, UK Abstract and Slides	CERN
Monday 28th April (9:00-17:00)	AILIS Training Course <i>Managing successful projects: An intensive one-day workshop</i> Beryl Morris, Hudson Rivers http://www.hudsonrivers.co.uk/ See Continuing Education page .	CERN
Wednesday 7th May (12:30)	AILIS Luncheon <i>Personal knowledge management: a UN experience</i> Sylvie Jacque, UNOG Library, Geneva.	UNOG Restaurant
Monday 2 nd June (18:00)	AILIS Special Event Screening of the film " <i>The Hollywood Librarian</i> " in the presence of the filmmaker Ann Seidl. See the promotional page for more details	ITU
Thursday 4th September (12:30)	AILIS Luncheon <i>Le plan stratégique de RERO</i> Marylène Micheloud, RERO (Réseau des bibliothèques de Suisse occidentale), Switzerland. Abstract	WHO Restaurant
Monday 15th September (15:30)	Library Science Talk <i>Balanced Scorecard</i> James Self, University of Virginia, USA.	ITU
Saturday 4th October (10:30)	Library Visit <i>The EPFL Learning Center</i> David Aymonin, EPFL, Lausanne. Programme: 10:00-11:30 : Conférence présentation du Rolex Learning Centre à la bibliothèque centrale de l'EPFL 11:30 : apéritif au pavillon blanc de l'EPFL qui présente les divers projects d' aménagement du campus 12:00 : repas VIP dans le cadre de la journée porte ouverte de l'EPFL A partir de 13:00 : visite guidée et libre du chantier The aperitif, meal and conference are kindly offered by EPFL.	EPFL in Lausanne
Monday 6 th October (15:30)	Library Science Talk <i>The EPFL Learning Center</i> David Aymonin, EPFL, Lausanne. This talk follows on from the visit which will be possible on October 4th	CERN
Monday 10th November (15:30)	Library Science Talk <i>Open Access: from Myth to Paradox</i> Paul Ginsparg, Cornell University, USA. Abstract and Slides at Slideshare . Video (corresponding presentation at Berlin6 conference)	CERN
Monday 8 th December (15:30) (Rescheduled from March)	Library Science Talk <i>The DRIVER project: building a European repository network</i> Rosemary Russell, UKOLN, Bath, UK. http://www.driver-community.eu Abstract and slides	University of Geneva
Friday 12 th December (12:30)	AILIS Christmas Social Lunch Join your AILIS colleagues for this festive lunch in the beautiful UNOG restaurant and celebrate the end of the year (full details via the AILIS mailing list)	UNOG Restaurant

Continuing education 2008

AILIS Training Course Managing successful projects: An intensive one-day workshop Monday 28th April 2008 (9:00-17:00)

Beryl Morris, Hudson Rivers <http://www.hudsonrivers.co.uk/>

This intensive one day workshop is aimed at library and information services staff who manage or coordinate projects. The day will be practical and provide participants with a toolkit of techniques to help plan, manage and complete projects.

CERN Salle B, from 9:00 - 17:00

[Further information and registration details](#)

Annual Professional Visit: Visit to the [Bibliothèque de Lyon](#). Friday 25 Jan 2008 (postponed from Nov 20, due to strikes in France) 50 chf all costs included (travel by bus, lunch in Lyon, visits) **AILIS MEMBERS ONLY - Register quickly (shibata@ilo.org) as places are limited**

The day programme looks like this (presentations will be in French but question time will be in English and French):

- Le matin : présentation en français des outils innovants mis en oeuvre par la Bibliothèque de Lyon : Guichet du Savoir, Catalog+, bases d'images numérisées, traitements EAD et XML de divers fonds, avec questions - réponses en anglais/en français.
- Après déjeuner, le groupe sera divisé en 2 groupes, pour une visite plus approfondie des fonds anciens (avec atelier de numérisation, atelier de reliure, etc.) pour le premier groupe, et une visite des fonds régionaux et de leur traitement (numérisation, portail web, etc.) pour le second groupe.
- Participants need to indicate their preference for the afternoon visits (fonds anciens ou fonds régionaux). We go to Lyon by bus. AILIS will organize a group lunch for all participants.
- There are 30 seats only in the bus, so first come (paid), first served. Other candidates may be put on a waiting list.
- Register quickly with Kiyo shibata@ilo.org.

AILIS organized 14 events in 2008: 6 Library Science Talks in collaboration with the Swiss National Library and CERN Library, 2 professional visits, one to the Bibliothèque de Lyon and one to the new EPLF Learning Centre still in its building stages. AILIS also organized an interesting Workshop on Managing projects that was fully booked, and a very successful special event, the screening of the movie "The Hollywood Librarian" for which we had **127 participants!**

Two AILIS luncheons took place, one at the Palais des Nations, about Personal Knowledge Management at UNOG, and one in ILO about the RERO strategic plan.

Participation in the Library Science Talks is still very variable: it normally fluctuates around 20 participants per talk. Rather disappointing was the very low registration for the LST on Balanced Scorecard. This is probably due to the fact that the topic was not entirely clear to our audience. In the future, we have to explain subject of the talk in our invitation to avoid misunderstanding.

A preview of 2009 activities

Programme for 2009 (To be completed with other events)		
Date	Event	Location
Monday 26th January (15:30)	Library Science Talk <i>Headlights on snow</i> Derek Law, University of Strathclyde, UK. Slides	CERN
Friday 27 th February (12:30)	AILIS General Assembly	WHO
Monday 16th March (15:30)	Library Science Talk <i>Open Access and Licensing: heresy or synergy?</i> Ann Okerson, Yale University, USA.	CERN
Monday 27th April (15:30)	Library Science Talk <i>Architecture as a strategy</i> Sylvia van Peteghem, Ghent University, Belgium.	Bibliothèque de Genève
Monday 28th September (15:30)	Library Science Talk <i>Integrating information resources</i> Annette Holtkamp, DESY (Deutsches Elektronen Synchrotron), Germany.	ILO
Monday 26th October (15:30)	Library Science Talk <i>Internet archiving</i> Gildas Illien, Bibliothèque Nationale de France.	CERN
Monday 16th November (15:30)	Library Science Talk <i>E-books</i> Chris Armstrong, Managing Director & Senior Consultant at Information Automation Limited (IAL), UK.	ITU

Proposals for visits in 2009 :

- Nestlé Research Center Lausanne (two dates in September were proposed, 2 September and 17 September),
- Serono Geneva and
- Google Zurich.

Kristine Clara established informal contacts with the *Association genevoise des bibliothécaires et professionnels diplômés en information documentaire*, AGBD, and exchanged information with its president, Pierre Boillat. Pierre Boillat and Kristine agreed to organize some joint activities, such as a common professional visit, and/or a common training or work shop. A first result of this collaboration is the presence of Pierre Boillat at our General Assembly Meeting!

As every year, we encourage all AILIS members to come forward with ideas for activities and initiatives for attracting new members.

Kristine Clara
AILIS President
Geneva, 27 February 2009