



Libraries and Society.
A Pan-Mediterranean Perspective

IFLA Satellite Meeting
Palermo, 31st August - 1st September 2009



CONFERENCE PROGRAM

Sunday, 30th August 2009

20.00-21.30 Welcome drink

Monday, 31st August 2009 – Steri Palace (Piazza Marina, 61)

09.00 On-site Registration

09.30 Welcoming address from authorities

09.45 Key-note paper: ANNA MARIA TAMMARO (University of Parma – Italy)
*International and Multicultural Library and Information Science Education:
Teaching and Learning LIS in Mediterranean Countries*

10.45 Coffee break

11.15 Session One: Libraries Bridging the Digital Divide

ANTONIA ARAHOVA (Institute for Democracy “K. Karamanlis”, Athens – Greece)

Collaboration, Interactivity. Using Virtual Technology as an Innovative Strategy in Knowledge Sharing among Mediterranean Libraries

ANNE NORMA HALL (Library and Museum Services, Fairfield City Council, New South Wales – Australia)

Public Library Resources and Services to Pan Mediterranean Language Groups in Australia

KIRSTEN LETH NIELSEN (Oslo Public Library – Norway)

The IFLA Multicultural Library Manifesto – A Tool for Creating Global Understanding

13.00-14.30: Buffet Lunch (courtesy of Humana res)

14.30 Session Two: Cultural Institutions and the Mediterranean

BEGOÑA COLMENERO (Tunis Cervantes Institute – Tunisia)

“Babel de Papel”: The Cervantes Institute Library Network as Multicultural Meeting Places



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OLGA CUADRADO FERNÁNDEZ (Foundation “Three Cultures of the Mediterranean”, Sevilla – Spain)

The Increasingly Active Role of Libraries as Multicultural Agents: from Information Providers to Dynamic Players. The Case of the Special Library of the Foundation “Three Cultures of the Mediterranean”

LORIENE ROY (School of Information, The University of Texas at Austin - US)

From "We Shall Remain" to "Operation Teen Book Drop": New National Indigenous Library Services Initiatives

20.00 Social dinner (*)

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Tuesday, 1st September 2009 – Steri Palace (Piazza Marina, 61)

09.30 Key-note paper: SOHAIR WASTAWY (Alexandrine Library, Alexandria – Egypt)
Freedom of Information: A Reality or Panacea?

10.30 Session Three: Mediterranean-focused Library Collections and Services

OLGA CUADRADO FERNÁNDEZ (Foundation “Three Cultures of the Mediterranean”, Sevilla – Spain) and EMILIO GARCÍA-MIGUEL (Information Resource Center of the US Embassy, Madrid – Spain)

Pressing Oranges: an Euro-Med Project Aimed to Share Experiences on How to Better Serve Diverse Audiences within Libraries

11.15 Coffee break

11.45 Session Three: Mediterranean-Focused Library Collections and Services

AHMED KSIBI (Higher Institute of Documentation of Tunis – Tunisia)
Mediterranean Libraries: Cultural Bridges from South to North

CRISTINA AMEIJERAS (Biblioteca Municipal “Sagrada Familia”, A Coruña - Spain)

Many cultures, an alone library

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14.30 Session Four: Resources on the Mediterranean in Libraries

ALDO SPARTI (State Archives of Catania – Italy)

The experience of the Mediterranean Archives as a useful instrument for cultural cooperation among Mediterranean countries

GISELA SENDRA PÉREZ (Gandia Public Library Network – Spain)

Gandia: the response of its libraries to growing cultural diversity

16.00 Conclusions

17.00 Cultural visits, and free evening (or... surprise!) to follow

Wednesday, 2nd September 2009

06.30-14.30 Excursion to “Lo Zingaro” Nature Reserve (*)

Bus transfer to the Nature reserve, Guided visit and Packet Lunch. On the way back to Palermo, the bus can make a stop at the Palermo International Airport for those participants leaving in the afternoon.

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