**MLAS Standing Committee Meetings**

**Minutes of the Zoom conference**

**SC I**

**Time:** Tuesday, 30 October 2018

**Participants:**

**MLAS SC members:**

Michael Dowling (chair), Susan Haigh, Amandine Jacquet, Hella Klauser, Karin Linder, Halo Locher (secretary), Alicia Cristina Ocaso-Ferreira, Pascal Sanz

***Ex officio* members:**

Antoine Torrens (New Professionals SIG co convenor), Mathilde Koskas (Women, Information and Libraries SIG co-convenor)

**Apologies:**

Samia Hassam Al-Shiba, Rauha Maarno (information coordinator), Mariann Schjeide, Sabine Stummeyer

1. **Welcome**

Michael Dowling welcomes 10 participants.

1. **Update on IFLA GB HQ Actions- Organizational Review**

Michael Dowling mentions the nominations for SC MLAS, president elect, and Governing Board members. He asks the SC members to apply for a new period if this is necessary due to the term of service.

The reorganization of the IFLA will begin in December 2018 and the bases will be made available to the working group within the MLAS. Pascal Sanz asks for an explanation of the planned work.

Michael Dowling explains that it is about all aspects of governance and organizational structures. The Governing Board would also like to discuss the creation and cooperation with the Sections in order to generally make the work more efficient and reliable.

Pascal Sanz and Amandine Jacquet agree to participate in the MLAS working group.

1. **SIG Updates**

Mathilde Koskas (Women, Information and Libraries SIG) explains that SIG has not yet been able to finance the promotional material and will therefore continue the project next year. At the WLIC in Athens, the group is planning a workshop together with "Libraries without boarders" to empower women in NPOs. Since KL, however, there has been no feedback from the partner. She hopes to be able to make an entry by 15 November.

Antoine Torrens (New Professionals SIG) informs that Co-Convenor Vesna Vuksan has become Strategic Projects Manager at IFLA and that the group has to reorganize itself. He will try to deliver the action plan on time. But the group is again pursuing an attractive theme for Athens: Love in Libraries...bis zu: the dark side of love...

1. **Athens Open Program Discussion**

The discussion quickly focuses on the topic of cooperation between associations - north/south, west/east, languages, etc. The cooperation should include associations and take place across national borders. Hella Klauser and Karin Linder agree to formulate a proposal. The draft will be sent to the SC members with the opportunity for feedback before submission.

1. **2019 MLAS Action Plan**

Michael Dowling will supplement the Action Plan on the basis of the discussion and submit it to the IFLA in good time - with a copy to the SC members.

1. **Varia**

Michael Dowling will contact Marwa El Sahn and clarifies the situation regarding the project of a satellite meeting in Alexandria and the support by MLAS. Halo Locher would be willing to get involved.

The next Zoom Conference of MLAS SC is scheduled for January 2019.

Michael Dowling calls on everyone to promote the conference in Athens because the organizers receive little support from the government.

**For the minutes:**

Michael Dowling, chair Halo Locher, secretary