IFLA Information Technology Section Action Plan 2013-2014

This action plan derives from the IT Section Strategic Plan 2013-5 agreed in our Section meetings at the IFLA congress in Singapore, 2013.

Strategic direction	Key Initiative	Actions 2013-4
1.1. ITS will explore open source solutions and encourage communities to develop applications for libraries. These topics will be addressed by different activities of the Section such as specific sessions at the annual information congresses, supporting activities of other IFLA sections and providing web-based information on the IFLA web site.	Digital Content Programme	Planning for a Satellite Session on Open Source in Cape Town, 2015 Project proposal for a publication on open source for libraries
1.2. ITS will pay special attention to the integration of library data into the web environment via linked data.	Digital Content Programme & Cultural Heritage	Semantic Web Special Interest Group Planning for a Satellite Session in linked data in Paris, 2014
1.3. ITS will promote knowledge with in the IFLA community on creative ways of using of mobile devices and library data.	Digital Content Programme & Cultural Heritage & Outreach Programme	Planning for a joint session with the Multimedia section in the 2014 conference
1.4. ITS will support the Semantic Web Special Interest Group (SIG) through satellite conferences, specific sessions at the IFLA annual congress and other means to promote their efforts.	Digital Content Programme & Cultural Heritage	Support for the Semantic Web Special Interest Group Planning for a Satellite Session in linked data in Paris, 2014

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1.5. Promote discussion of technological innovations and open source applications in digital library management via satellite conferences, sessions at the IFLA annual congress, the IFLA IT section website and other means.	Digital Content Programme & Outreach Programme	Planning for a Satellite Session on Open Source in Cape Town, 2015 Project proposal for a publication on open source for libraries
1.6. In collaboration with other sections (especially the Preservation and Conservation Section), encourage innovation in technology supporting long term conservation, storage, and preservation of digital objects and libraries.	Digital Content Programme & Cultural Heritage	Joint session proposal with the Preservation and Conservation Section for Lyon, 2014
1.7. To serve the needs of smaller and special libraries, with a special interest in developing countries, ITS will explore the application of Open Source and distributed services supporting those libraries. This will be done by encouraging tutorials, case studies, and resource development related to distributed technologies, web, and library services in support of those libraries.	Digital Content Programme & Cultural Heritage & Outreach Programme	Planning for a Satellite Session on Open Source in Cape Town, 2015 Project proposal for a publication on open source for libraries
1.8. ITS will provide leadership on the implications of information technology on standards, best practices, and experiences in various topics such as open source software, cloud computing, bibliographic ontologies, digital preservation, and metadata. These will be addressed in IFLA annual congress events as well as information dissemination through the IFLA ITS web page.	Outreach Programme & International Leadership development	Establishment of a skills register for IT section specialisations and communication to other sections

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1.9. ITS will specifically engage in both the Namespaces technical group and the Semantic Web SIG as a partner in the work of both of these groups	Digital Content Programme & Outreach Programme & International Leadership development	Establishment of a skills register for IT section specialisations and communication to other sections Support for the Semantic Web Special Interest Group Planning for a Satellite Session in linked data in Paris, 2014
1.10. ITS will cooperate with major standard bodies and development groups as appropriate.	Digital Content Programme & Outreach Programme	Establishment of a skills register for IT section specialisations and communication to other sections
1.11. ITS will promote standards related to RFID through the RFID SIG and its sessions.	Digital Content Programme	Support for RFID special interest group
1.12. ITS will promote knowledge related to improving accessibility through mobile devices and in interactive platforms by supporting sessions at the IFLA annual congress and other means, such as the IFLA ITS web site.	Digital Content Programme	Proposal for joint session with Multimedia section in Lyon 2014 Establishment of a skills register for IT section specialisations and communication to other sections
1.13. Liaise with other IFLA sections and encourage ITS membership to participate and provide feedback on new or revised IFLA standards, guidelines, and studies.	Outreach Programme & International Leadership development	Establishment of a skills register for IT section specialisations and communication to other sections
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1.15. Work with other national and international associations to enhance dissemination of information across associations and cross-fertilize activities among groups.	Outreach Programme & International Leadership development	Establishment of a skills register for IT section specialisations and communication to other sections