# Bibliography Section Standing Committee
## ANNUAL REPORT
## 2016-2017

## Report on progress and activities as of August 2017

1. ***To develop best practices for National Bibliographic Agencies in a time of great change in the information environment***
    1. *Develop the National Bibliographic Register*

Compilations of the data from each NBR question (except question 5) across all profiles were created in Google Docs in 2015 (reported in the Metadata Newsletter, v.2, no.1 (June 2016), p.11-12). The goal is to provide easy comparisons of the answers and some statistics. These tables would be linked to from appropriate sections in Best Practices (now Common Practices). Some of the analysis was published in the Metadata Newsletter, v.3, no.1 (June 2017), p.18-19. Since the mid-term meeting in Paris in March 2017, further data cleaning and validation on the tables has been completed, as well as adding the data from the 4 profiles changed (Finland, Germany, New Zealand) or received (Republic of Korea) after 2015. A revised questionnaire was adopted by the SC in August.

2. *Develop the Best Practices for National Bibliographic Agencies in the Digital Age*

New revised text for chapters 3, 4, 5 (reviewed at the mid-term meeting in Paris) was presented to the SC in August. Decision made to change the name of the product to *Common Practices* and to publish it as a single document in the IFLA Professional Reports Series.

2. ***Establishing National Bibliographic Services as critical community assets***
    1. *Section Recruitment*

Before nominations SC-members contacted most institutions that are members of the Section and encouraged them to nominate people to the SC.

3. ***Strengthen our cooperation with the metadata community***
    1. *Open session organised on cooperation with Subject Analysis and Access Section (SAA)*
    2. *Metadata reports session organised in cooperation with the Subject Analysis and Access and the Cataloguing Sections*
    3. *Published two issues of the Metadata Newsletter in conjunction with the Cataloguing and Subject Analysis and Access Sections*

## Standing Committee meetings or conference calls

| Date | Location or type of meeting |
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| 1. Mid term meeting on March 14, 2017 | Paris, BnF |
| 2.Meeting for the Best Practices Working Group on March 13 and March 15, 2017 | Paris, BnF |
| 3. Vision meeting on June 28, 2017 | Skype meeting |
| 4. Annual business meetings in August 2017 | Wroclaw, Poland |