

## PAC Centre Report, July 2016 – June 2017 - BRAZIL

### Year of report

2017

#### Annual Report Template for the IFLA Preservation and Conservation

**International Cooperation** (highlight activities and work the PAC Centre has done in the international preservation and conservation network and where your PAC Centre has provided support on an international level)

- The presidents of the National Library in both Brazil and Mozambique/Africa have recently signed a cooperation agreement. The aim of this cooperation will be to work in the following areas; librarianship, bibliography, archiving, information technology which includes digitization issues and access to information; preservation and conservation of books and documents plus documents exchange. This project will be under going until 2020.
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**Local Cooperation** (highlight activities and work your PAC Centre has done in the local preservation and conservation network and where your PAC Centre has provided support on a local level)

- The Preservation Centre annually offers an “Informative Preservation Course for Documentation and Bibliographical Collections”. This course is open to the public, to our staff and to anyone from Latin America. This year the conservation and restoration laboratories are in architectural works. Therefore, the course was transferred to the next year.
- More information contact [preserve@bn.gov.br](mailto:preserve@bn.gov.br)

**Workshops/trainings/events** (what workshops/trainings/events has the PAC Centre organised? Which workshops/trainings/events did the PAC Centre participate in? Both on international and national level)

- We offer internships, trainings and technical assistance for Brazilian professionals and cultural foundations around the country as well as for those coming from the National Libraries abroad within Latin America.
- Participation of a conservator in the International Conference "Manuscripts in the Making", at the University of Cambridge, UK, with the presentation of two posters:
  - 1º) Colour identification, degradation processes and findings in a 15th century Book of Hours; the case study of Coffe no. 31 from Mafra National Palace and
  - 2º) Some issues about the “Book of Hours of Dom Ferdinand”, a treasure of the National Library of Brazil.
- Participation of a conservator in the 33rd International Congress of the International Association of Paper Historians, University of Valencia/Spain, with the presentation of the paper "The first facilities of the paper mills in Rio de Janeiro in the nineteenth century.

**Involvement of the PAC Centre with the IFLA Risk Register** (e.g. promotion etc.)

- We have made our “Risk Management Plan” available in our library websites. This plan can be read in the following languages: Portuguese [www.bn.br](http://www.bn.br) Spanish [www.bn.br/es](http://www.bn.br/es) and English [www.bn.br/en](http://www.bn.br/en)

**Suggestions to IFLA HQ on improvements to the PAC Centre network** (e.g. gaps in expertise covered by the current PAC Centre network, communication issues, support requests (non-financial) etc.)

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**New standards/guidelines/best practices which should be shared with the community**

- The Preservation Centre in conjunction with the Federal Institute of Education and Technology of the Rio de Janeiro/RJ, under the supervision of Dr. Renato Freitas is performing scientific research on the pollution index that occurs within collections of the National Library. Please see “Indoor air quality of the Brazilian National Library in Rio de Janeiro” [www.bn.br/en/production/documents](http://www.bn.br/en/production/documents)

**Any other comments**

For questions regarding **BNDigital**, (digitization) please contact:

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