

IFLA Science and Technology Libraries Section Strategic Action Plan 2010/2012

The Science and Technology Section supports science and technology librarians, and by so doing, the users of their libraries. The section tracks and responds to current challenges relevant to librarians working with the physical sciences, engineering and technology. Activities include monitoring the dynamic environment in the field, promoting discussions, as well as exploring and sharing best practices among members who serve in research, public, corporate and government libraries. Working with colleagues in developing nations is a high priority.

Mission:

To support and promote science and technology librarianship in a global framework.

IFLA Strategic Directions for 2010-2015

- Enable our user communities to have equitable access to information
- Build IFLA's strategic capacity
- Advance the profession through the development of standards and promotion of specialized knowledge
- Represent the interests of IFLA members and their users worldwide

STL Strategic Directions for 2010-2015

- Promote open access to scientific and technological information
- Support science and technology libraries globally so they can serve their users successfully.
- Encourage science and technology libraries to respond to the changing information environment.

STL Strategic Actions for 2010-2012

- Promote open access to scientific and technological information
 - Support Professional Resolution One presented at the 2010 General Congress and referred to the Professional Committee that encourages IFLA to solidify its support for Open Access.

2010/2011

- Send letter of support to President's Working Group on Open Access.
- Monitor progress.
- Document STL Conference Sessions and share with section members.
 2010/2011

- Document 2010 STL Conference Session and Satellite Conference in Chania.
- o Add OA resources and links to Section web page. (see action below).

• Support science and technology libraries globally so they can serve their users successfully.

o Develop web site content.

2010/2011

- Select four topics and assign Committee members to populate with content of interest to our section members. Possibilities include:
 - Open Access
 - E-Science
 - Information Literacy
 - Copyright
 - Grey Literature
 - Economics and the cost of doing business
 - Physical space planning
 - Resources for developing countries
 - Faculty oriented library services
 - Changing roles
 - Assessment
- Explore how to provide better access to engineering journals to developing countries along the lines of the HINARI and AGORA projects.

2010/2011

• Develop brief white paper explaining need and possible models.

• Encourage science and technology libraries to respond to the changing information environment

Develop conference sessions and study tours.

2010/2011

- Develop 2011 conference on topic of changing role of science and technology librarians.
- Plan study tour on technology and design at the Aalto University
- Explore creating report on value of libraries in the research and teaching enterprise of science and technology libraries.