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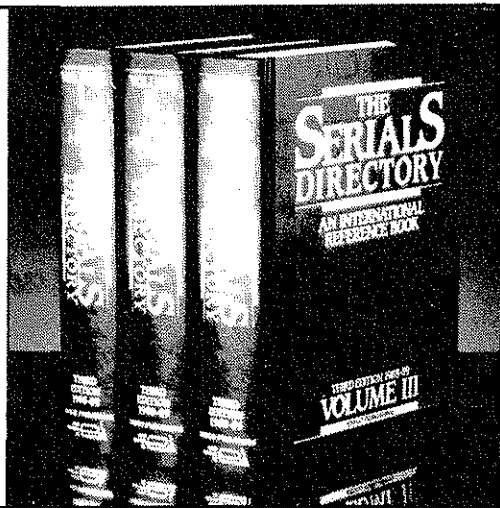
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EDITORIAL

In this first issue of our Newsletter in 1989, the new Executive Board would like to thank all of you that with interest, enthusiasm, participation and work have contributed to get our Association into function. Since the seeds were sown in Japan in 1985, EAHIL has grown to an association with some 500 members from 25 European and overseas countries thanks to the dedication of many of our members and thanks to the interest in our Association.

Much has been accomplished, but still we have a lot of work to do. We need to activate resources we have among our members.

In order to carry on a meaningful programme, it has been decided to set up several committees, and we now call for members who are willing to do a job for EAHIL (see EAHIL Programme of Activities).

The new Board has started to bridge the distances between countries like Norway and Italy. All its members met on February 26 in Paris and are preparing the meeting of our Council and of the members of our Association present at the IFLA Conference in August 1989 in Paris as well as of our General Assembly and of our Workshop on 7-8 May 1990 before the First European Conference for Library Automation and Networking from 9-11 May 1990 in Brussels.

Our project of Directory of Health Libraries in Europe is underway and we hope that your answers to the questionnaire attached will enable us to publish it very soon.

The Board has handed to the CEC a synthesis of the comments made in Bologna about its draft Plan of Action for Libraries and is publishing this synthesis in this Newsletter. The CEC is organizing on 7-8 March in Luxemburg a "Forum discussion" of this Action Plan by representatives of national and European library organizations. Our Board will keep EAHIL members aware about the implementation of this Action Plan and we will promote the participation of health libraries in this plan.

EDITORIAL

A l'occasion du premier numéro de notre Bulletin d'Information en 1989, le nouveau Bureau Exécutif tient à remercier vivement tous ceux qui avec intérêt, enthousiasme, coopération et travail ont contribué à la réalisation de l'Association. Depuis les premières semences germées au Japon en 1985, l'AEIBS n'a pas cessé de s'agrandir et compte à ce jour quelque 500 membres de 25 pays européens et d'outremer, grâce au travail de beaucoup de nos membres et à l'intérêt porté à l'Association.

Beaucoup a déjà été réalisé, il reste cependant encore un important travail à faire. Il nous est nécessaire à cet effet de puiser dans les ressources de nos membres.

Afin d'accomplir un programme significatif, il a été décidé de créer plusieurs comités et ici nous faisons appel aux membres qui sont prêts à consacrer un peu de leur temps à l'Association (voir Programme et activités de l'AEIBS).

Le nouveau Bureau a déjà commencé à renforcer la coopération entre des pays européens aussi différents et éloignés que la Norvège et l'Italie. Il s'est réuni au complet à Paris le 26 février et il prépare les réunions de notre Conseil et des membres de l'Association présents à la Conférence de l'IFLA en août 1989 à Paris ainsi que de notre Assemblée Générale et du "Workshop" de notre Association les 7-8 mai 1990 avant la Première Conférence Européenne pour l'Automatisation et les Réseaux de Bibliothèques du 9-11 mai 1990 à Bruxelles.

Notre projet de Répertoire des Bibliothèques de Santé Européennes est en préparation et nous espérons que vos réponses au questionnaire ci-joint nous permettront de le publier prochainement.

Le Bureau a transmis à la CCE une synthèse des réactions formulées à Bologne concernant leur projet de Plan d'Action et la publie dans ce Bulletin. La CCE organise à Luxemburg, les 7-8 mars, une consultation de représentants d'organisations nationales et européennes de bibliothèques concernant son plan d'action. Notre Bureau tiendra les membres de l'Association européenne

Finally, an informative newsletter or journal is extremely important for efficient communication. It is of great importance to make this product interesting for all of our members. The EAHIL Newsletter is the results of spontaneous contributions from colleagues of various countries and we urge you to send all articles of interest to our secretariat in Brussels. We hope that you all will cooperate in contributing actively to make our Newsletter an efficient instrument of communication to all of us.

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au courant de la mise en oeuvre de ce Plan d'Action pour les Bibliothèques en Europe et nous nous efforcerons de favoriser la participation des bibliothèques de santé à ce plan.

Enfin, un bulletin d'information est primordial pour une information efficace. Il est donc très important que notre Bulletin soit d'un grand intérêt pour nos membres. Le Bulletin de l'AEIBS étant le résultat de contributions spontanées, nous souhaitons vivement que vous envoyiez à notre secrétariat à Bruxelles tous articles d'intérêt de votre pays. Vous contribuerez ainsi activement à notre Bulletin afin qu'il soit un instrument de communication pour tous.

AEIBS - Mars 1989

THANKS TO MARC WALCKIERS AND THE INTERIM BOARD

On behalf of the Scandinavian members of the EAHIL, I want to express how deeply grateful we are to Mr Marc Walckiers, former EAHIL President, for taking on the enormous workload in connection with the creation of our new European Association. Due to his energetic and enthusiastic work, his persistence and indefatigableness, it has been possible to establish such a large and varied organization as the EAHIL.

In spite of many practical difficulties concerning financial and language problems (not to mention problems arising from the very different states of art among European medical libraries) Marc Walckiers has been the mainstay on the way to getting the new association to work.

It has sometimes been a thorny path: negotiations with official authorities, finding an office to operate from, the creation of a legal base for the Association, to start elections to Council and Board, the organization of networks between the EAHIL and the different countries.

The other members of the Interim Board have shared the hard work involved in all this, and we are obviously much indebted to them too. We are certain, however, that without Marc Walckiers' contribution this organization would not have materialized so soon.

Marc Walckiers and the Interim Board deserve the warmest thanks from all present and future members of the EAHIL in acknowledgement of their enterprise and their examples as pioneers and creators of a tool for cooperation among European medical librarians.

Alice NORHEDE
EAHIL Council Member
Herlev, Denmark

NEWS FROM OUR ASSOCIATION

MINUTES OF THE EAHIL GENERAL ASSEMBLY MEETING HELD IN BOLOGNA ON NOVEMBER 3, 1988

Mr M. Walckiers, President, opened the Meeting at 5:00 pm.

1. The minutes of the inaugural Meeting in Brighton, UK, on August 1987 were approved.
2. The President introduced the Activity Report of EAHIL Executive Board for 1987 and 1988, which was approved by all members except Dr Cichi who protested against a possible exclusion of papers from the Proceedings by the Programme Committee of the Bologna Conference. The President replied that the Proceedings will include all papers received by the deadline, but some papers may be reduced in length if needed.
3. The Financial Report for 1987 was presented by the Treasurer. This was approved.
4. Mr Van Hoek, Chairman of the Nominating Committee, reported on the results of the elections of the Council and the Nominating Committee.

Mr Walckiers handed over the chair of the Meeting to Mrs Comba, the new President.

5. Mrs Comba welcomed to the platform the newly elected members of the Executive Board. Apologies had been received from Mrs Pailley-Katz, who was unable to be present. Mrs Comba then asked the new Executive Board to present themselves. They are: Monique Cleland, Ursula Hausen, Tony King, Ragnhild Lande, Arlette Pailley-Katz, Marc Walckiers (Past Present).
Mrs Comba also thanked all her Italian colleagues, especially Gabriella Poppi.
6. The new President presented the Programme of Work. She asked for comments and suggestions for priorities.
7. The new President proposed the draft Budget and fees for 1989, and this was approved by the Meeting.
8. The Rules of Procedure were introduced by Ursula Hausen. Dr Adamic suggested the deadline for payment of fees should be extended. The President proposed, and David Stewart seconded that the deadline should be extended to 30 April and the Meeting agreed.
Susan Bakker, Amsterdam, requested the fees could be paid by postal check. The Past President said it was more difficult to open a postal account than a bank account, but that it will be done very soon.
Peter Morgan said the document was too complicated and distributed too late. He proposed that under Art. 2, Section 2, the sentence "If a country has a professional association, the list shall be sent to that association only" should be deleted. This was seconded by Fiona Picken, and approved by the Meeting.
Ursula Hausen proposed the following addition to the same article: "The newly elected Executive Board will take office on January 1 of the year following the election". This was seconded by Susan Bakker, and approved by the Meeting.
9. The new President presented the letter from Mrs Colaianni concerning the possible postponement of the 1990 Conference because of the conflict with the Sixth International Congress in New Delhi, September 1990. The Meeting was in favour of a Meeting in 1990, and the President agreed to consult members about this.
Mr Friend, Great Britain, said he was disappointed that there is no close links between LIBER and our Association, and suggested that the Executive Board discuss formal links with LIBER to the mutual benefit of both associations. Mr King proposed a vote of thanks to the outgoing members of the Board.
The Meeting adjourned at 6:30 pm.

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EAHIL PROGRAMME OF ACTIVITIES

In order to carry on a meaningful programme, it has been decided to set up several committees, according to the Rules of Procedure of the Association. The activities of each committee will be coordinated by an Executive Board Member.

Each committee will have as its first task to outline the objectives of the committee and to present these outlines to the Executive Board for approval.

We are now seeking members who are willing to work on these committees. So, if you would like to participate in the task of running EAHIL, please send your name to the chair of the appropriate committee, and encourage your colleagues to do the same. The activities of the Association depend on the assistance and participation of its members.

PROGRAMME D'ACTIVITES DE L'AEIBS

Afin de réaliser un programme significatif, il a été décidé de créer plusieurs comités, selon les "Rules of Procedure" de l'Association. Les activités de chaque comité seront coordonnées par un membre du Bureau Exécutif.

Chaque comité aura pour tâche première de tracer les grandes lignes des objectifs du comité et de les soumettre au Bureau Exécutif pour accord.

Nous recherchons actuellement des membres qui seraient désireux de participer à ces comités. Si vous souhaitez vous joindre à la tâche du développement de l'Association, communiquez votre nom au responsable du comité approprié et encouragez également vos collègues à agir dans le même sens. Les activités de l'Association dépendent de l'aide et de la collaboration de ses membres.

FUND RAISING COMMITTEE

Chair: Trevor A. King

Wessex Medical Library, University of Southampton, Southampton SO9 5NH, UK.

Two Council delegates have expressed interest to be a part of this committee.

The execution of projects like the directory and continuing education courses requires additional funding.

PUBLICATION COMMITTEE

Chair: Ragnhild E. Lande

Medisinsk Bibliotek, Reginsykehuset, N-7006 Trondheim, Norway

Two members have expressed interest for this work.

Some of the objectives of this committee will include the formulation of guidelines for publications of EAHIL. We have already discussed compiling a Directory of Medical Libraries in Europe and we need an Editorial Board for the Newsletter/Journal.

EVENTS COMMITTEE

Chair: Arlette Pailley-Katz

Bibliothèque, University de Paris 7
Tour Centrale, 7 étage, Pte 711,
Place Jussieu 2, Paris Cedex 75251 05
France

One member is assigned to the committee.

The activities of this committee will not include continuing education events which will be the responsibility of another committee.

CONTINUING EDUCATION COMMITTEE

Chair: Monique C. Cleland

Bibliothèque et Centre Doc., Faculté de Médecine, CHUV-BH 08, rue de Bugnon 46, 1011 Lausanne, Switzerland

Three persons have expressed great interest in working for such a programme.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE

Members of the Nominating Committee will be sought by the Council. The designation of the chair will be set from within.

CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

will be set up later.

"FUND RAISING COMMITTEE"

Responsable: Trevor A. King

Wessex Medical Library, University of Southampton, Southampton SO9 5NH, G.B.

Deux membres du Conseil ont exprimé leur désir de participer à ce comité. L'exécution de projets tels que le répertoire de l'AEIBS et les cours de formation continue exige des fonds supplémentaires.

COMITE DE PUBLICATIONS

Responsable: Ragnhild E. Lande

Medisinsk Bibliotek, Regionsykehuset, N-7006 Trondheim, Norway

Deux membres ont exprimé leur intérêt en ce comité. Un des objectifs de ce comité inclut l'élaboration d'un guide des publications de l'AEIBS.

Un répertoire des bibliothèques médicales en Europe est déjà en préparation et un comité de rédaction pour le Bulletin d'Information doit être établi.

"EVENTS COMMITTEE"

Responsable: Arlette Pailley-Katz

Bibliothèque, Université Paris 7,
Tour Centrale, 7e ét., Pte 711,
Place Jussieu 2, Paris Cedex 75251,
05 France

Un membre est désigné pour ce comité. Les activités de ce comité ne comprendront pas celles se rapportant à l'éducation continue dont la responsabilité sera attribuée à un autre comité.

COMITE DE FORMATION CONTINUE

Responsable: Monique C. Cleland

Bibliothèque et Centre Doc., Faculté de Médecine, CHUV BH 08, rue de Bugnon 46, CH-1011 Lausanne, Suisse

Trois personnes ont manifesté un grand intérêt à travailler pour un tel programme.

"NOMINATING COMMITTEE"

Les membres du Nominating Committee seront désignés par le Conseil. Le responsable sera également nommé lors de la formation de ce comité.

"CONFERENCE COMMITTEE"

Ce comité sera établi plus tard.

Our Association - CALL FOR LOGOS

In the previous issue of our Newsletter, we launched a call for logos to personalize the Association. The first suggestions received came from a French member, Mrs Alptuna, Responsable technique, Bibliothèque du Centre Hospitalier Universitaire de Clamart. We are pleased to publish these hereafter for your comments and we still hope to get more suggestions which will appear in our next issue (to be sent before MAY 15).

Notre Association - APPEL AUX LOGOS

Dans notre édition précédente, nous avons lancé un appel aux logos pour personnaliser l'Association. La première suggestion reçue vient d'un membre français, Mme Alptuna, Responsable Technique, Bibliothèque du Centre Hospitalier Universitaire de Clamart. Nous reproduisons ci-après ces logos pour appréciation et espérons recevoir encore d'autres suggestions de logos qui paraîtront dans notre prochain Bulletin (à envoyer avant le 15 MAI).



THE ASSOCIATION DIRECTORY

Dear EAHIL Members,
Access to information is paramount in our profession and for our users. So that we improve the location of important information within our libraries, we ask you to collaborate directly into the preparation of a directory of European medical libraries, as represented in our Association. Therefore, you will find included a QUESTIONNAIRE which WE URGE YOU to fill out to the best of your knowledge and to return the questionnaire to:

EAHIL Secretariat
Attn.: Mrs R. HOET
60 rue de la Concorde
B-1050 Brussels (Belgium)

We would appreciate that the questionnaire be returned at the latest, by MAY 31, 1989 at the above address.

You should feel free to copy the questionnaire and to pass it along to other medical librarians/libraries, whom we may have omitted in our mailing list.

We intend to include in the first edition only libraries represented by EAHIL members. However, we shall collect any useful information on other medical libraries, to be included eventually in later editions of the EAHIL directory of libraries.

We urge all members, including those who do not represent library collection or services, to complete all applicable questions in order to provide the Association and its members with useful information.

THIS IS A VERY IMPORTANT PROJECT! We trust that you will consider it as such and give your prompt and best attention to it. We thank you for your precious collaboration.

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Chers Collègues de l'AEIBS,
L'accès à l'information est de première importance dans l'exercice de nos fonctions. C'est pourquoi nous désirons faciliter l'identification des bibliothèques et de leur collection en vous demandant de collaborer directement à la préparation d'un répertoire de bibliothèques médicales des membres de l'AEIBS.
Vous trouverez ci-inclus un QUESTIONNAIRE auquel nous vous demandons de DONNER TOUTE VOTRE ATTENTION et de le retourner au plus tard le 31 MAI 1989 au:

Secrétariat de l'AEIBS
Attn.: Mrs R. HOET
60 rue de la Concorde
B-1050 Bruxelles (Belgique)

Si vous connaissez des bibliothèques ou des bibliothécaires de médecine qui n'ont pas reçu ce questionnaire, vous pouvez le copier et le distribuer librement.

Bien que nous ayons l'intention de n'inclure dans la première édition de ce répertoire que les bibliothèques des membres de l'AEIBS, nous garderons toutes les informations d'autres bibliothèques pour une édition ultérieure du répertoire.

Nous insistons auprès de tous les membres, également auprès de ceux qui ne représentent pas de services de bibliothèque, de compléter toutes les questions appropriées afin de renseigner l'Association et ses membres de toute information utile.

CE PROJET EST TRES IMPORTANT! Nous comptons sur votre collaboration que nous jugeons indispensable et d'avance nous vous en remercions.

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EAHIL DIRECTORY OF HEALTH LIBRARIES

QUESTIONNAIRE
(tick what applies)

SECTION A - IDENTIFICATION OF LIBRARY AND LIBRARIANS

- (1) LIBRARY OFFICIAL NAME:.....
.....
Acronym (in different languages where applicable):
LIBRARY NAME IN ENGLISH
LIBRARY ADDRESS:
.....Country ILL code:
- (2) PARENT INSTITUTION AND ACRONYM:
(if different from the above)
- (3) TEL. NR.:..... TELEFAX NR.:..... TELEX NR.:.....
ELECTRONIC MAIL SYSTEM USED/EM ADDRESS:
.....
- (4) DIRECTOR/HEAD OF THE LIBRARY:
NAME OF THE PERSONS RESPONSIBLE FOR:
ACQUISITIONS.....
PERIODICALS
REFERENCE SERVICE
DATABASE SEARCHING
LOANS
INTERLIBRARY LOAN

SECTION B - LIBRARY PROFILE

- (5) NUMBER OF FULL TIME EQUIVALENT:
PROFESSIONALS:NON PROFESSIONALS:
- (6) SIZE OF COLLECTION : BOOKS (approximate).....
(give figures) PERIODICALS (volumes)
CURRENT PERIODICAL TITLES*
AUDIO-VISUAL PROGRAMMES:(specify)
VIDEO-CASSETTES:
U-Matic:.....VHS:
Diapositives:.....CD-ROM:.....
Video-discs:.....
Others (specify):.....
THESES
REPORTS
UNPUBLISHED DOCUMENTS

*indicate number of current medical and health periodical titles if
collection is not primarily medical

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QUESTIONNAIRE
(pointez si nécessaire)

SECTION A - IDENTIFICATION DE LA BIBLIOTHEQUE ET DES BIBLIOTHECAIRES

- (1) NOM OFFICIEL DE LA BIBLIOTHEQUE
- Acronyme (en plusieurs langues, s'il y a lieu)
- NOM DE LA BIBLIOTHEQUE EN ANGLAIS
- ADRESSE DE LA BIBLIOTHEQUE
-PaysILL code
- NOM DE L'INSTITUTION ET ACRONYME.....
(si différent de celui de la bibliothèque)
- (3) Tel.: Telefax :..... Telex :.....
- COURRIER ELECTRONIQUE UTILISE ET ADRESSE :
-
- (4) DIRECTEUR/RESPONSABLE DE LA BIBLIOTHEQUE
- NOM DU/DE LA RESPONSABLE :
- DES ACQUISITIONS.....
- DES PERIODIQUES
- DES SERVICES DE REFERENCES
- DE LA RECHERCHE EN BASES DE DONNEES
- DU PRET AUX LECTEURS
- DU PRET ENTRE BIBLIOTHEQUES.....

SECTION B - PROFIL DE LA BIBLIOTHEQUE

- (5) NOMBRE DE TEMPS PLEINS EQUIVALENTS: PROFESSIONNELS.....
NON PROFESSIONNELS.....
- (6) DIMENSION DES COLLECTIONS (en chiffres):
- DE LIVRES (approximatif)
- DE PERIODIQUES*
- DE TITRES COURANTS DE PERIODIQUES
- DE SUPPORTS AUDIO-VISUELS:
- VIDEO-CASSETTES:
- U-Matic: VHS:.....
- diapositives:..... CD-ROM:.....
- videodiscs:..... Autres (précisez).....
-
- THESES
- RAPPORTS
- DOCUMENTS NON PUBLIES

* Indiquer nombre de périodiques biomédicaux si la collection n'est pas principalement médicale

- (7) TYPE OF LIBRARY:
- | | |
|---|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Academic institution | <input type="checkbox"/> Public Health Institution |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Teaching hospital | <input type="checkbox"/> School for allied health |
| <input type="checkbox"/> General hospital | <input type="checkbox"/> personnel |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Special hospital (specify) | <input type="checkbox"/> Library association or instit. |
| | <input type="checkbox"/> Information and documentation. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Research centre | <input type="checkbox"/> centre |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Pharmaceutical firm | |

(8) SPECIAL STRENGTH OF THE COLLECTION**:

- | | |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> Oncology | <input type="checkbox"/> Nursing |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Clinical medicine | <input type="checkbox"/> Pharmacy |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Dentistry | <input type="checkbox"/> Pshychiatry and mental health |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Health education for the public | <input type="checkbox"/> Orthopeadics |
| <input type="checkbox"/> History in medicine | <input type="checkbox"/> Public health |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Alternative medicine | <input type="checkbox"/> Veterinary medicine |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Others (specify) | |

** Consider the subject if your library carries: the most important indexes on the topic (ex.: CINAHL, International Nursing Index, etc., if the collection has at least 500 monographic titles on the topic and the 8 most important periodicals in the field).

(9) MAIN LANGUAGES OF YOUR COLLECTION

- (10) LEVEL OF COLLECTIONS: General Public Educational
 Free reseach

- (11) DOCUMENT DELIVERY: reproduction by: photocopy
 microfilm
 microfich
 telefax

- (12) INTERLIBRARY LOAN:
- | | |
|--|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Books | <input type="checkbox"/> Reports |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Bound periodicals | <input type="checkbox"/> Unpublished documents |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Audio-visual programmes | <input type="checkbox"/> Theses |

- (13) DATABASE SEARCHING:
- Online: if yes, hosts (specify):.....
 - CD-ROM: by documentalists
 - by end-users

- (14) AVAILABILITY OF DATABASE SEARCHING:
- | | |
|---|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> to registered users only | <input type="checkbox"/> to external users |
| <input type="checkbox"/> to in-house staff only | <input type="checkbox"/> accepted in writing |
| | <input type="checkbox"/> accepted by telephone |

- (15) REFERENCE SERVICE:
- | | |
|--|---------------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> to visitors | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> by correspondence | <input type="checkbox"/> by telephone |

SECTION C - AUTOMATION

- (16) EQUIPMENT AVAILABLE TO END-USERS:
- Number of terminals available to end-users:.....
- Microcomputer: IBM/compatibleMacIntosh:
- Others (specify)
- Minicomputer (specify)
- Main frame (specify).....

- (7) TYPE DE BIBLIOTHEQUE :
- | | |
|---|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Universitaire | <input type="checkbox"/> Service de Santé Publique |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Centre hospitalier universitaire | <input type="checkbox"/> Ecole d'infirmiers et techniciens de la santé |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Hôpital général | <input type="checkbox"/> Assoc.professionnelle ou direction de bibliothèques |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Hôpital spécialisé (précisez) | <input type="checkbox"/> Centre d'information et de documentation |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Centre de recherche | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Société pharmaceutique | |

- (8) SPECIALISATION DE LA COLLECTION**:
- | | |
|---|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Oncologie | <input type="checkbox"/> Soins infirmiers |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Médecine clinique | <input type="checkbox"/> Pharmacie |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Médecine dentaire | <input type="checkbox"/> Psychiatrie et santé mentale |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Enseignement de la Santé | <input type="checkbox"/> Orthopédie |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Histoire de la Médecine | <input type="checkbox"/> Santé publique |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Autres médecine | <input type="checkbox"/> Médecine vétérinaire |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Autres | |

**Considérez le sujet si vous avez: les index de la littérature en question (ex. CINAHL, International Nursing Index, etc., plus de 500 monographies sur le sujet; au moins 8 des périodiques les plus importants dans le domaine).

(9) LANGUES PRINCIPALEMENT UTILISEES DANS VOTRE COLLECTION:

(10) NIVEAU: Grand Public:.....Enseignement:
Recherche:.....

(11) FOURNITURE DE DOCUMENTS:
Moyens de reproduction : photocopie
 microfilm
 microfiche
 telefax

(12) PRET ENTRE BIBLIOTHEQUES:

<input type="checkbox"/> Livres.....	<input type="checkbox"/> Rapports
<input type="checkbox"/> périodiques reliés	<input type="checkbox"/> Doc.non publiés
<input type="checkbox"/> programmes audio-visuels	<input type="checkbox"/> Thèses

(13) RECHERCHE EN BASES DE DONNEES:

<input type="checkbox"/> en ligne: si oui, précisez les serveurs:.....
<input type="checkbox"/> CD-ROM : effectuée par bibliothécaire:.....
<input type="checkbox"/> effectuée par utilisateur final.....

(14) RECHERCHE EN BASES DE DONNEES:

<input type="checkbox"/> pour lecteurs inscrits seulement	<input type="checkbox"/> pour lecteurs extérieurs
<input type="checkbox"/> pour lecteurs de l'institution seulement	<input type="checkbox"/> acceptée sur demande écrite
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(15) SERVICE DE REFERENCE :

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SECTION C - AUTOMATISATION

(16) EQUIPEMENT ACCESSIBLE AUX USAGERS:

Nombre de terminaux accessibles aux usagers
Microordinateur IBM, compatibleMaIntosh
Autres (précisez)
Mini-ordinateur (précisez)
Gros ordinateur (précisez).....

- (17) LA BIBLIOTHEQUE EST-ELLE AUTOMATISEE?
 Système de gestion intégré (précisez).....
 Nom de l'ordinateur
 Système de gestion par modules indépendants
- Nombre de terminaux accessibles aux usagers:.....
 au personnel:
- (18) QUELS SONT LES MODULES AUTOMATISES:
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| <input type="checkbox"/> Acquisitions | <input type="checkbox"/> Catalogue des périodiques |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Gestion des périodiques | <input type="checkbox"/> Prêts |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Catalogue | <input type="checkbox"/> OPAC |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Budget | <input type="checkbox"/> Autres (précisez) |
- Nom du système
 Nom de l'ordinateur
- (19) RESEAU(S) INFORMATISE(S) AU(X)QUEL(S) LA BIBLIOTHEQUE EST RELIEE:

- (20) RESEAUX DONT LA BIBLIOTHEQUE FAIT PARTIE (INFORMATISEE OU NON):

- (21) LISTE DES CATALOGUES COLLECTIFS OU LES TITRES DE PERIODIQUES DE LA
 BIBLIOTHEQUE APPARAISSENT:
- Catalogues collectifs de périodiques.....
 Catalogues collectifs de monographies.....
- (22) EMPLOI DES CATALOGUES COLLECTIFS EN BIBLIOTHEQUE:
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| <input type="checkbox"/> en ligne | <input type="checkbox"/> microfiches |
| <input type="checkbox"/> CD-ROM | <input type="checkbox"/> papier |

(23) NOM ET TITRE/RESPONSABILITE, DEPT., TELEPHONE, DU/DE LA BIBLIOTHECAIRE
 QUI A REMPLI CE QUESTIONNAIRE:

 Lieu/Date

 Signature

(24) ACCEPTEZ-VOUS DE FAIRE PARAITRE CES INFORMATIONS DANS CE REPERTOIRE DES
 BIBLIOTHEQUES DE SANTE DE L'AEIBS?

_____ OUI _____ NON

Dans la négative, indiquez les parties qui ne peuvent pas être publiées:

(25) NOM ET TITRE/RESPONSABILITE DU/DE LA BIBLIOTHECAIRE OU DU
 DIRECTEUR DE L'INSTITUTION:

 Lieu/Date

 Signature

(Questionnaire à renvoyer au secrétariat de l'AEIBS à Bruxelles avant le
 31 MAI 1989)

CEC

On July 28, 1988 the Commission of the European Communities (DG XIII) invited the Association to communicate its comments and suggestions about the CEC draft Plan of Action for Libraries.

The full CEC summary of this Plan of Action has been published in English and in French in the September issue of our Newsletter.

At our Second European Conference of Medical Libraries held in Bologna on November 4-6, 1988, Mr Parajon-Collada, Deputy Director General of the CEC, presented this Plan of Action and answered to the questions and comments of our colleagues from different European countries.

Finally, after a last dialogue between the above colleagues and the EAHIL Executive Board, the Association's answer, published hereafter, has been sent to the CEC on January 17, 1989.

Let's hope that the EAHIL suggestions will contribute to the successful implementation of this first Plan of Action for Libraries in Europe and that the health and medical libraries will be able to fully participate in this cooperation between European libraries.

CCE

Le 28 juillet 1988, notre Association a été invitée par le Commission des Communautés Européennes (DG XIII) à présenter des remarques et suggestions sur son projet de plan d'action pour les bibliothèques de la Communauté Européenne.

Le résumé de ce plan d'action de la CCE a été publié intégralement en anglais et en français dans notre Bulletin d'Information de septembre 1988.

Lors de notre Deuxième Conférence des bibliothèques Médicales tenue à Bologne les 4-6 Novembre 1988, Mr Parajon-Collada, Directeur Général Adjoint de la CCE, présenta ce plan d'action et répondit aux remarques formulées par des collègues de divers pays européens.

Enfin, après une dernière concertation entre les collègues précités et le Bureau Exécutif de la AEIBS, la réponse de notre Association, dont vous trouverez le texte ci-après, a été envoyée à la CCE le 17 janvier 1989.

Espérons que nos suggestions puissent contribuer au succès de ce premier plan d'action pour les bibliothèques en Europe et que les bibliothèques bio-médicales et de santé puissent participer d'emblée à cette coopération entre bibliothèques européennes.

1. FOREWORD

The European Association for Health Information and Libraries (EAHIL) very much appreciates that a Plan of Action for Libraries in the European Community has been drafted by the C.E.C. and presented last November at the Second European Conference of Medical Libraries by Mr Parajon-Collada, CEC Deputy Director General, who began a very open and fruitful exchange of ideas about this Plan.

As a new European library association, EAHIL also appreciates being asked by the CEC to comment on its draft Plan of Action and is very keen to offer its contribution for finalising and implementing this Plan of Action for Libraries in the European Community.

The general objectives of this plan, such as :

- promotion of library services throughout Europe taking into account geographic discrepancies in library provision,
 - rapid but orderly and cost-effective penetration of new technologies in libraries,
 - standardisation of bibliographic data,
 - harmonisation of library policies at all levels,
 - cooperation of libraries throughout Europe,
 - librarians' education and training,
- are fully in accordance with EAHIL aims and will be supported by EAHIL and its 500 members.

2. ACTION LINE 5 : "Exchange of experience and dissemination of knowledge".

This action line "fostering international attitudes and dialogue through professional exchanges, meetings and conferences" and "modernising the skills of library workers" is exactly what EAHIL has been doing since 1986 : this is EAHIL main objective.

Moreover, the modernisation of the skills of library workers is a prerequisite to library modernisation and to the implementation of this Plan of Action for Libraries.

A harmonised and more European education (including coordinated library visits, study tours, traineeships abroad...) and a greater mobility of library workers throughout Europe is essential for promoting library interconnection in Europe.

Thus, EAHIL fully supports the action line 5 which appears to be the most important and difficult part of this plan of action for libraries.

However, this action line 5 should be enlarged to the whole field of basic and continuing education of librarians, and to their status and their mobility throughout Europe.

In our view, the action line 5 should receive a much larger funding than the small part of the proposed budget of this draft Plan of Action.

3. ACTION LINE 3 : "innovative services".

This action line can produce spin-off effects and very tangible results indeed.

However, new technologies should also be adapted to library needs. For instance, libraries needs :

- "flat bed" telefax enabling people to copy documents directly from the documents themselves rather than from photocopies of those documents,
- common formats and protocols for teleordering documents by any electronic mail between libraries,
- "Juke-boxes" for CD-ROM and access to CD-ROM by local area networks.

Existing and new technologies should also be evaluated in regard to the library needs so that, before choosing any system, librarians could use evaluations and experiences of colleagues, like in any consumer association.

The "filtering mechanism" of the projects to be proposed in this action line could be at national level, but such a European plan of action for libraries should not prevent a similar "filtering mechanism" at European level, particularly in the case of specialised library associations.

4. ACTION LINE 2 : "international linking of systems".

This would indeed find an area of application in systems serving libraries and users in specific subject areas (e.g. in biomedical sciences). Such interconnections linking key libraries and cooperatives of libraries in one country with those in others will support many functions, including document delivery, and they will serve a high percentage of the information needs.

5. ACTION LINE 1 : "Library source data projects".

The first action line of this European plan receives most of the proposed budget, but it is supporting retrospective conversion of older books, national bibliographies and national union catalogues which are :

- national rather than European structures,
- usually not very efficient tools and not much used.

For instance, about 90 % of the interlibrary requests are for recent articles of journals, for which retrospective conversion, national bibliographies and union catalogues of books are useless.

Although standardisation of bibliographic data is highly desirable for national bibliographies, union catalogues and retrospective conversion, those proposed targets seem less short term and tangible projects than, for instance, the production of a European union catalogue of current journals which could be cheap, easy and quick, and whose usefulness and spin-off effect would be immediate and important for most of the libraries and end users in Europe.

6. REGIONAL DISCREPANCIES

The huge regional discrepancies in library funding is a major problem in library cooperation and especially for promoting new technologies in libraries of different European countries.

In any library network, the demand will be attracted by the libraries having the biggest purchasing power, and this could leave the weakest libraries in very dangerous position.

Moreover, less well-paid librarians, mostly unfamiliar with foreign languages and new technologies, are less likely to adopt them and so the benefit of this plan of action will mostly go to libraries whose staff is better paid.

For avoiding such unbalanced development, a special attention should be given to weak libraries when accepting projects for all action lines, and a parallel action should harmonize the purchasing powers of libraries and the skills of library workers in different European regions.

7. COUNTRIES OUTSIDE THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITY

Despite this "draft Plan of Action for libraries in the EC" has been prepared for libraries of the 12 Member States, it suggests (in p.5) that library cooperation should be enlarged to other countries.

EAHIL fully supports this view : for instance, the great experience of Nordic and Swiss libraries in new technologies and cooperation would be very useful to libraries of the 12 Member States.

Moreover, library cooperation throughout Europe would obviously be of mutual interest.

Thus, EAHIL strongly supports the acceptance in the projects adopted of libraries of European non-EC countries asking to participate and able to fund the cost of their participation.

8. REPRESENTATION

Last but not least, as a new and already large European library association, EAHIL suggests the promotion of libraries and information services at European level not only through the national library organisations, but also through European library associations. European library associations offer the best opportunity to manage direct contacts and cooperation between librarians and libraries in different European countries, and they are the most suitable representatives of librarians at European level.

Although national library associations obviously remain important, the role of European library associations should be promoted on the European library scene to encourage European librarians to adopt a more "European-minded" consciousness and attitude, and greater participation.

9. CONCLUSION

This first plan of action for libraries in the European Community is indeed a major issue for all libraries in Europe.

EAHIL hopes its comments will be of help and is very keen to contribute to the successful implementation of the plan of action for libraries throughout Europe in the nearest future.

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NEWS FROM EUROPE

FRANCE

FOUDRE - Document Delivery through Electronic Networking

The NUMERIS network (formerly called RNIS = ISDN: Integrated Services Digitalized Network), having been opened recently by FRANCE TELECOM, thus allowing the high speed and high flow transfer of data, the availability of the FOUDRE device (FOURNiture de Documents sur Réseau Electronique = Document Delivery through Electronic Networking) will take place next October 1989.

In order to fulfill the needs of academic teaching and research, FOUDRE will initiate additional modernization and optimisation of the present ILL network, essentially for scientific and technical, and notably biomedical, periodicals. The SUNIST (National Academic Host for Scientific and Technical Information) will serve for this action.

FOUDRE will be an open system, offering access to every digitalized documents source : CD-ROM or DON. Digitalisation will be done on demand, then registered into the internal "data base" of the system, listing every digitalised periodicals. Later requests for already digitalised documents registered within this file will be automatically routed to a digitalising library, whatever their former destination address. The request will then be processed in a totally automatic way without any physical handling.

FOUDRE implements thus the following functions:

NOUVELLES D'EUROPE

FRANCE

FOUDRE - FOURNiture de Documents sur Réseau Electronique

A la suite de l'ouverture de NUMERIS (ex RNIS), réseau numérique à intégration de services, permettant la transmission rapide de données à haut débit, que vient d'inaugurer FRANCE TELECOM, la mise en place d'un dispositif de FOURNiture de Documents sur Réseau Electronique (FOUDRE) doit se faire en Octobre 1989.

Afin de répondre aux besoins de l'enseignement supérieur et de la recherche, FOUDRE permettra de moderniser et d'optimiser le réseau actuel de prêt de documents entre bibliothèques essentiellement pour les périodiques scientifiques et techniques, donc dans le domaine médical. Pour cela, on utilisera les services du SUNIST (Serveur Universitaire National Scientifique et Technique).

FOUDRE sera une structure ouverte qui offrira l'accès à tous les réservoirs de documents numérisés (CD-ROM ou DON), la numérisation étant effectuée à la demande, puis enregistrée dans la "banque de données" interne au système recensant les articles de périodiques numérisés. Chaque demande ultérieure d'un document enregistré dans cette banque de données sera automatiquement envoyée (quelle qu'elle ait été la destination première de la demande) à la bibliothèque ayant déjà numérisé le document, et la demande sera gérée de manière totalement automatique, sans aucune intervention manuelle. FOUDRE assure donc les fonctions

gateways with the present French ILL system (called PEB), with transmission of data to the SUNIST through electronic messaging, document digitalisation, document storage and retrieval, document transfer to the requesting libraries via NUMERIS, document reception and printing on a laser printer or on a Group IV telefax, statistics and invoicing. The French Copyright Center will be associated with this project so that a global agreement might be defined with the publishers involved, when document delivery through NUMERIS gets widely spread in the country.

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A New Database: Toxibase
Toxibase (national network of pharmacodependence documentation) is a database devoted not only to conventional drugs as heroin or marijuana, but also to all products inducing a physical or psychic dependence. Its aim is to cover all the facets of drug addiction, consequently it covers medical as well as sociological literature. Toxibase is made up of many data banks, the first one is bibliographic. In the next future, it will be completed by the addition of other bases, with research in progress, audiovisual material, legal texts. With the support of the Health Ministry, the database is maintained by a network of 5 centers working in close collaboration: the abstracts of articles cited in Toxibase are written by the members of these centres, physicians or psychologists, actively working in the field of pharmacodependence. Micro Brs is used for access to Toxibase which can be questioned in French or English language owing to translation of titles and descriptors. Cooperation with some European countries is in way of implementation. For any information, Please contact: Dr Damade, President of Toxibase, 8 rue de Menaut, Saint-Pardon, F-33870 Vayres, France

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suivantes:
interface avec le système de PEB actuellement existant avec transmission au SUNIST par messagerie électronique, numérisation des documents, archivage et recherche des documents, transfert vers les bibliothèques via NUMERIS, réception et impression des aricles (sur imprimante laser ou télécopieur Groupe IV), gestion, facturation. Le Centre Français de Copyright sera associé à ce projet afin que puisse être défini un accord global avec les éditeurs concernés lors de la généralisation de la fourniture de documents sur NUMERIS.

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Une nouvelle banque de données: Toxibase
Toxibase (Réseau National de Documentation sur les Pharmacodépendances) est une banque de données non seulement consacrée aux drogues conventionnelles comme l'héroïne ou la marijuana, mais aussi à tous produits causant une dépendance physique ou psychique. Son but est de couvrir toutes les facettes de la toxicomanie. Par conséquent, elle comprend la littérature médicale et sociologique. Toxibase est faite de plusieurs banques de données, la première étant bibliographique. Dans un proche avenir, elle sera complétée d'autres banques de données telles que progrès de la recherche, matériel audio-visuel, textes légaux, etc. Avec l'appui du Ministère de la Santé, cette banque de données a un réseau de 5 centres qui travaillent en étroite collaboration: les résumés d'articles cités dans Toxibase sont écrits par les membres de ces centres, médecins et psychologues, qui travaillent activement dans le domaine de la pharmacodépendance. Micro Brs est employé pour l'accès à Toxibase qui peut être interrogée en français ou anglais, grâce à la traduction des titres et descripteurs. La coopération avec d'autres pays européens est en cours. Pour toute information, contactez: Dr Damade, Président de l'Association Toxibase, 8 rue de Menaut, Saint-Pardon, F-33870 Vayres, France

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Les bibliothèques universitaires à l'heure du CD-ROM

Le Ministère de l'Education Nationale, de la Jeunesse et des Sports a engagé depuis plusieurs années une politique de modernisation des bibliothèques universitaires qui s'appuie sur l'intégration des nouveaux supports de l'information et de la communication. Il poursuit l'implantation d'équipements de lecture de mémoires optiques, et particulièrement de CD-ROM. Au cours de l'année 1988, 70 bibliothèques ont été équipées de stations complètes: microordinateurs, imprimantes et lecteurs de CD-ROM. Le programme d'équipement prévoit que toutes les sections des bibliothèques universitaires françaises, soit 180 unités dans les domaines de la médecine, de la pharmacie, du droit et des lettres, mettent à la disposition des étudiants, des enseignants et des chercheurs, une station de lecture de CD-ROM, d'ici la fin de l'année 1989.

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Enseignement supérieur scientifique et technique: les nouvelles technologies de l'information et de la communication.

L'AUPELF (Association des Universités Partiellement ou Entièrement de Langue Française) et l'UREF (Université des Réseaux d'Expression Française), organisent avec l'Université des Sciences et Techniques du Languedoc, les IVèmes Journées Internationales de Technologie, à Montpellier, du 24 au 28 avril 1989.

A l'occasion de cette manifestation qui donnera lieu à des visites, démonstrations et présentations de matériel, plusieurs aspects des évolutions technologiques appliquées au stockage et à la diffusion de l'information seront évoqués: vidéotex, réseaux, bases et banques de données; nouveaux supports transportables; documentation et nouvelles technologies; universités et satellites de communication.

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F.R. GERMANY

The regular Annual Meeting of the "Arbeitsgemeinschaft für Medizinisches Bibliothekswesen" was held in Tübingen on October 25-26 1988.

The main topics of this year were the evaluation of "MeSH" (Medical Subject Headings) and "RSWK" - Subject Headings as subject cataloguing systems for medical libraries and reports on the use and acceptance of bibliographies on CD-ROM by library users.

The University Library of Tübingen presented itself and its special user-services and Dr. Wankmüller (also Organiser of this Meeting) gave a well acknowledged lecture on Tübingen history as a place of publishers of chemical and pharmaceutical journals. The Meeting ended with the annual reports of the Central Library of Medicine (ZBM, Köln) and DIMDI.

The subgroup of Hospital Librarians also gathered again to discuss special hospital library related topics.

During the membership Meeting of the "Arbeitsgemeinschaft" the German Member of the EAHIL Council, Ms Jutta Heller, was presented to the attendants.

ALLEMAGNE (R.F.)

La rencontre annuelle du groupe de travail pour les bibliothèques médicales (Arbeitsgemeinschaft für Medizinisches Bibliothekswesen) s'est tenue à Tübingen, les 25-26 octobre 1988.

Cette année, les principaux sujets de cette rencontre comprenaient "MESH" (Medical Subjects Headings) et "RSWK" - systèmes d'indexation et systèmes de catalogage pour les bibliothèques médicales ainsi que des rapports sur l'utilisation des CD-ROM et leur acceptation par les lecteurs.

La bibliothèque de l'Université de Tübingen fut présentée aux participants et son service spécial pour les utilisateurs fut également décrit.

Le Dr Wankmüller (du Comité d'Organisation de cette Conférence) présenta l'histoire de Tübingen, en étroite relation avec l'histoire des publications de périodiques de chimie et de pharmacie.

Cette rencontre se termina avec les rapports annuels de la Bibliothèque centrale de Médecine (ZBM, Cologne) et de DIMDI.

Le sous-groupe des bibliothécaires d'hôpitaux se réunit également pour discuter des problèmes particuliers aux bibliothèques d'hôpitaux.

Pendant cette rencontre, Ms Jutta Heller, fut introduite comme membre allemand du Conseil de l'AEIBS.

ITALY

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OBITUARY

NECROLOGIE

Professor Francesco Pocchiari, Director General of the National Institute of Health in Rome for 18 years, died (at the age of 64) after a short illness on January 3, 1989. Every EAHIL member present surely remembers him at the Second European Conference of Medical Libraries in Bologna, where he presented a welcome speech. On that occasion, he wanted to express his praiseworthy opinion on the EAHIL's activity and wished for it ever greater success in the future. His death has been a great loss for the Italian and international biomedical community.

Le Professeur Francesco Pocchiari, Directeur Général de l'Institut National de la Santé à Rome depuis 18 ans, est décédé (à l'âge de 64 ans) après une brève maladie le 3 janvier 1989. Les membres de l'Association présents à la Deuxième Conférence Européenne pour les Bibliothèques Médicales au cours de laquelle il présenta une allocution de bienvenue se souviendront sûrement de lui. A cette occasion il fit l'éloge des activités de l'Association et exprima le souhait d'un plus grand succès encore à l'avenir. Son décès est une grande perte pour les italiens et la communauté biomédicale internationale.

SCOTLAND

ECOSSE

Medical Education and the Edinburgh Declaration*

The World Federation for Medical Education closely associated with WHO, held in August 1988 a World Conference on Medical Education. This Conference was the culmination of a series of national and regional meetings. These meetings were held to review the situation of medical education and to formulate strategies for improving its social relevance and efficiency. The report of the Conference includes strategies for introducing the required changes in medical education, as well as a plan of action at global, regional and national levels. It also includes the "Edinburgh Declaration" which provides the essentials of the recommendations of the Conference. The Declaration says that the aim of medical education is to produce doctors who will promote the health of all people, and that aim is not being realized in many places, despite the enormous progress that has been made during this century in the biomedical sciences. Scientific research continues to bring rich rewards, but man needs more than science alone. It is the health needs of the human race as a whole, and the whole person, that medical educators must affirm. Many improvements can be achieved by actions within the medical school itself. Reform on medical education requires more than agreement. It requires a widespread commitment to action, vigorous leadership and political will, in some settings also financial support. Medical educators have a long and weary path to tread, and we, as medical librarians, can help them to reach the goal.
(*Edinburgh Declaration in: World

Education Médicale et Déclaration d'Edimbourg*

La Fédération Mondiale pour l'Education Médicale, étroitement associée à l'OMS, a tenu les 7-12 août 1988 une Conférence Mondiale sur l'Education Médicale. Cette Conférence était le point culminant d'une série de réunions régionales et nationales. Ces réunions avaient pour but de revoir la situation de l'éducation médicale et de formuler la stratégie pour améliorer son efficacité et son importance sociale. Le rapport de cette Conférence comprend les stratégies pour introduire les changements requis en éducation médicale, ainsi qu'un plan d'action au niveau global, régional et national. Il comprend également la "Déclaration d'Edimbourg" qui donne l'essentiel des recommandations de la Conférence. La Déclaration stipule que le but de l'éducation médicale est de former des médecins qui veilleront à maintenir la santé de tous les peuples. On ne peut pas encore poursuivre ce but dans de nombreuses régions du globe, malgré les progrès énormes qui ont été réalisés en sciences médicales au cours de ce siècle. La recherche scientifique continue à produire des résultats enrichissants mais l'homme a besoin de plus que la science seule. Les éducateurs médicaux doivent veiller aux besoins de santé de la race humaine, globalement, et à ceux de la personne humaine toute entière. Beaucoup d'améliorations peuvent être réalisées au sein même de l'enseignement médical. La réforme médicale demande plus que des accords. Elle exige un engagement à tous les niveaux, une direction énergique ainsi qu'un soutien financier. Les éducateurs médicaux ont un chemin long et sinueux à parcourir et nous, bibliothécaires médicaux, pouvons les aider à atteindre ce but.

Conference on Medical Education of the World Federation for Medical Education. Report. Edinburgh, WFME, 17, Teviot Place, Edinburgh, 1988, 56 p., Price: £2.65. Also published as WHO document, EB83/INF.DOC.3 Annex).

(*Déclaration d'Edimbourg: Conférence Mondiale sur la Formation Médicale de la Fédération Mondiale pour l'Enseignement de la Médecine, Rapport. Edimbourg, WFME, 17, Teviot Place, Edinburgh, 1988, 56 p., Prix: £2.65 - Publié aussi comme WHO-document EB83/INF.DOC.3 Annexe).

NEWS ON THESAURUS WORK

Thesauri on the Bases of MeSH

During the Second European Conference of Medical Libraries held in Bologna last November, the question of thesauri on the basis of MeSH, came into focus. Therefore, we have asked Dr Fernando Rodriguez Alonso, Director, BIREME, Centro Latino-Americano y del Caribe de Informacion en Ciencias de la Salud, Sao Paulo, Brazil, to give an introduction into the work that has been done in BIREME.

It is the first report on the subject which we publish in the EAHIL Newsletter. Documentation centres and libraries in different countries with different working languages are engaged in systematically expanding the NLM thesaurus in fields related to medicine and health by keeping within the structure of MeSH. We encourage colleagues to bring their activities in this field to the attention of Newsletter readers and, in particular, of those who in Bologna expressed their interest in contacts among such centres.

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DeCS - Descriptores en Ciencias de la Salud (Descriptors in Health Literature)

DeCS - Descriptores en Ciencias de la Salud (Descriptors in Health Sciences) is the controlled vocabulary used for indexing and searching documents in LILACS (Latin American and Caribbean Health Literature) database. Based on MeSH, it shows the same hierarchical structure bringing together the near 15,000 terms in the same categories as in MeSH.

DeCS cannot be considered as a literal translation of MeSH. Although most of the MeSH terms were translated into Spanish and Portuguese, a good number of new terms were added mostly in Public Health subjects. These terms are grouped in a new category called SP - Salud Publica (Public Health) together with those MeSH terms dealing with Public Health. The SP category is divided in six subcategories:

- SP1 Health Planning and Administration
- SP2 Health Care
- SP3 Demography
- SP4 Environmental Health
- SP5 Epidemiology and Biostatistics
- SP6 Nutrition

A group of health librarians and Public Health specialists was engaged in the preparation of the SP category and, is also taking care of the continuous updating of DeCS.

Each version of DeCS, Spanish or Portuguese, includes two volumes - Alphabetic List and Hierarchical List - and is available at US\$60.00 (US\$50.00 for Spain and Portugal) including airmail freight.

For additional information either on DeCS or LILACS, write to:

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CD-ROM

EUROPEAN MARKET SLOW ON CD-ROM

Western Europe: Installed Base of CD-ROM Drives by Country, 1987-92

	<u>1987</u>	<u>1988</u>	<u>1989</u>	<u>1990</u>	<u>1991</u>	<u>1992</u>
UK	720	2,400	6,400	17,200	32,500	54,000
France	420	2,150	5,300	12,800	27,500	45,500
W. Germany	720	2,950	7,200	18,000	36,000	61,000
Italy	4,020	13,800	19,600	27,300	37,000	45,000
Scandinavia	200	850	2,400	9,300	16,500	26,000
<u>Rest of Europe</u>	<u>620</u>	<u>2,950</u>	<u>6,300</u>	<u>15,900</u>	<u>32,500</u>	<u>52,500</u>
<u>Total Europe</u>	<u>6,700</u>	<u>25,100</u>	<u>47,200</u>	<u>100,500</u>	<u>182,000</u>	<u>284,000</u>

By 1992 there will only be 284,000 CD-ROM drives installed in Europe. This compares with the estimated 30 million personal computers then in use. This pessimistic forecast for the CD-ROM market comes from Link resources in a recent report, "Market opportunities for CD-ROM in Europe 1987-1992". By 1992 Germany will have overtaken Italy as the largest market for CD-ROMs with an installed base of 60,000 drives. Over the next five years 17 million discs will be pressed in Europe. A recent estimate by Julie Schwerin of InfoTech puts the world installed base of drives at 78,750 in 1988. Contact: Ms Amanda Jones, Link Resources, 2 Bath Road, London W4 1LN, Tel: +44 1 995 8082 - Fax: +44 1 747 0212 (excerpt from: Information Market (I'M), published by the Commission of the European Communities (DG XIII), Dec.188-Jan. 1989, no. 55, p.8)

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CD-ROMs in DOS environment, some factors you should think about

When installing CD-ROM equipment, there are a lot of things that can go wrong and they very often do. After having worked with CD-ROM the last 1 1/2 year and having tested different databases on IBM PC XT/AT and PS-2/30 and so I do have some hints to give you. These are the main things you should think about before installing CD-ROM databases in an IBM or IBM compatible PC-environment:

The PC

Internal memory : 640 kbyte with at least 510-530 kbyte of free memory
Hard disk : It is most convenient to have one 10-20 Mbyte
CD-ROM DRIVE
Recommendation : Should be produced after the High Sierra Standard
Be aware of : that the drive you are going to buy is working on your PC and that the producer has the correct interface card and installation software for your PC.

The CD-ROM

It is produced after the High Sierra Standard. Does it have its own driver software or does it work under MSCDEX (Micro-Soft-Compact-Disc-Extensions)? If it has its own driver software, does it in the programme have a file with the correct configuration (normally a config.sys file) for your CD-ROM driver? What are the limitations for internal memory and free space on the hard-disk for running the CD-ROM?

AT LAST

At last you should know how to use a screwdriver and know as much as possible about the DOS operating system (commands, etc.). You normally must put some commands in the autoexec.bat and config.sys files that install the software and configurate the system for the CD-ROMs you are going to use. Don't sign any contract before you have seen the equipment in use!! (From: Roar Storleer, Technical University Library, N-7034 Trondheim, Norway)

CONTINUING EDUCATION

TRAINEESHIPS ABROAD FOR LIBRARIANS

In our June and September 1988 issues, six traineeships were proposed in Brussels, Torino, Lausanne, Guildford, London and Switzerland to colleagues who would like to improve and enlarge their professional experience. An additional proposal came from Oslo:

Oslo (Norway) : Faculty of Medicine Library,
University of Oslo
Sognsvannsveien 9 - P.O.Box 1113 Blindern
Gaustad
N-0317 OSLO 3, Norway
Tel.: 02 45 40 33
Director: Dr Knarberg Hansen

Training possibilities can be offered for a period of 1 to 2 months, between May and September, for a graduate in library science (good knowledge of English).

If you are interested in this traineeship, please contact direct Dr Knarberg Hansen.

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INTERNATIONAL TRAINEESHIP FOR A LIBRARIAN FROM OUTSIDE THE USA

The National Library of Medicine provides an International Traineeship for one librarian from outside the US to participate in the training activities of the NLM Associate Program. The traineeship involves a minimum stay of six months for core training, with an optional stay of up to six more months for a library practicum or project work.

Applicants must be sponsored by a government or other organization, since NLM does not provide funds for the trainee's travel or living expenses in the US. Applications for the the International Traineesip are due April 1, 1989. Interested librarians should contact Ms Jackie Rustigian at: National Library of Medicine, 8600 Rockville Pike, Bethesda, Md. 20894 (USA)

La National Library of Medicine offre aux bibliothécaires résidant en dehors des Etats-Unis de participer à un programme de formation dans le cadre des activités du programme associé de la NLM. Le stage est d'une période minimale de 6 mois, avec la possibilité de rester 6 mois supplémentaires pour un stage d'applications pratiques ou un projet particulier. Les candidats doivent être supportés par leur gouvernement ou une institution puisque la NLM ne prévoit pas de bourse pour les frais de voyage et de séjour. Les application doivent être reçues à la NLM d'ici le 1er avril 1989. Les personnes intéressées peuvent écrire à: Jackie Rustigian, National Library of Medicine, 8600 Rockville Pike, Bethesda, Md. 20894 (USA).

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FORMATION A L'INTERROGATION DES BASES DE DONNEES BIOMEDICALES

L'Information Médicale Automatisée (IMA) - Centre de Documentation INSERM - organise une série de portes ouvertes et de séminaires comme suit:

- Portes Ouvertes: Toxicologie (19 mai) - Cancérologie (29 mai):
Présentation des bases et banques de données de la National Library of Medicine, USA
- Séminaires: Medline sur Minitel (13 février, 18 mai)
Initiation à la micro-informatique documentaire:
Initiation (25 avril) - logiciel Texto (26 avril) -
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Hellenic Medical Press 1811-1988, by G.A. Rigatos, K. Apakis and B. Samios, Athens 1988, 183 p.

Mastroddi, F.A. "Experiments in electronic publishing and document delivery: results of the EEC's DOCDEL Programme". Interlending and Document Supply 1988, 16(4): 121-128

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Répertoire des banques de données professionnelles, 1989, 11e éd., 1300 références, prix: FF. 450. ADBS, 5 avenue Franco-Russe, F-75007 Paris

STM Information Booklet 1988-1989, including the STM members and their subsidiaries. (STM secretariat, Keizersgracht 462, 1016 GE Amsterdam, The Netherlands).

Time Management in the Small Library. A Manual or Computer-assisted self-study Program. Special libraries associations in USA are offering a new Self-Study program. It is available for IBM/IBM compatible, Apple, MacIntosh or in written format. For detail, contact: Special Libraries Association, Professional Development Section, 1700 Eighteen Street, NW Washington, DC 20009, USA.

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PERIODICALS

AIDS-Information from Excerpta Medica

A new abstract journal on Acquired Immunodeficiency Syndrome will be launched. Section 54 will be published in 10 issues per year, the first in January 1989.

Bibliotheca Medica Canadiana, is published 4 times per year by the Canadian Health Libraries Association and is a vehicle providing for increased communication among all health libraries and health sciences librarians in Canada, 1989; 10(3), pp. 153

Bibliotheca Medica Canadiana est publié 4 fois par an par l'Association des Bibliothèques de la Santé du Canada et a pour objet de permettre une meilleure communication entre toutes les bibliothèques médicales et entre les bibliothécaires qui travaillent dans le secteur des sciences de la santé au Canada. 1989; 10(3), pp. 153 - Ed. CHLA/ABSC, CP/Box 434, Station K, Toronto, Ontario M4P 2G9, Canada (in English and French).

The Excerpta Medica Abstract journals on CD-ROM

Excerpta Medica are going to make a CD-ROM covering all of the abstracts published in their abstract journals in 1988. They have chosen to work with Silver Platter.

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Please contact: Health Libraries Review, Journal Subscription Dept., Blackwell Scientific Publications, Osney Mead, Oxford OX2 0EL, UK
News of people: Marc Walckiers has joined the Editorial Board of Health Libraries Review.

FORTHCOMING EVENTS

April 3-7, 1989 - UNITED KINGDOM

Third International Conference on the Application of Micro-computers in Information, Documentation and Libraries. Organized by the Dept. of Library and Information Studies, University of Technology, Loughborough. For further information, please contact: Hilary Ghani, Dept. of Library and Information Studies, University of Technology, Loughborough, Leicestershire LE11 3TU, UK - Tel. 509/22 30 59

May 3-4, 1989 - ITALY

"Introductory course for medical librarians". Two day course about everything an aspirant medical librarian should know. The course will be held at the Mario Negri Institute in Milano.
Contact: C A E B, Milano, Italy - Tel.: (02)59 27 86

May 7-8, 1989 - BELGIUM

EAHIL Workshop and General Assembly in Brussels.

May 9-11, 1989 - BELGIUM

First European Conference on Library Automation and Networking (ECLAN) in Brussels

June 17-20, 1989 - BELGIUM

Brussels MIE*89 International Working Conference on D.R.G.'s (Diagnosis Related Groups), organized by the European Federation for Medical Informatics (EFMI) and the Belgian Society for Medical Informatics (MIM)
For further information, please contact: MIE*89 Secretariat, DRG Conference, c/o Dr. G.De Moor, De Pintelaan, 185, B-9000 Gent, Belgium

June 21-23, 1989 - FRANCE

IDT89 - L'information, un enjeu pour l'entreprise. 8ème Congrès sur l'information et la documentation organisé par l'Association Française des Documentalistes et des Bibliothécaires Spécialisés (ADBS) et l'Association Nationale de la Recherche Technique (ANRT).
Information: Comité IDT89, c/o ESIC, 16 avenue Bugeaud, 75116 Paris.

June 26-August 19, 1989 - WALES

College of Librarianship Wales in Aberystwyth and the School of Library and Information Science, University of Pittsburg. International Graduate Summer School in Librarianship and Information Science.
Contact: The Director, IGSS '89. College of Librarianship Wales, Aberystwyth, SY23 3AS, Wales, Great Britain - Tel. (0970) 62 31 81

August 1989 - SCOTLAND

9th Congress, European Federation for Medical Informatics, Glasgow, Scotland. Proceeding published by Springer Verlag in the series, Lecture Notes in Medical Informatics.
Contact: Secretary EFMI, Dr Stellan Bengtsson, Inst. Clin. Bacteriology, University of Uppsala, PO Box 552, S-75122 Uppsala, Sweden
(from IFLA Newsletter, Oct. 1988)

August 19-26, 1989 - PARIS

IFLA Annual Conference. "Libraries and Information in Yesterday's, Today's and Tomorrow's Economy". Public sessions of the Biological and Medical Sciences Libraries Section.
Contact: Mrs A. Pailley-Katz, Bibliothèque de l'Université Paris 7, Direction, Tour Centrale, Porte 710, 2 place Jussieu, F-75005 Paris

October 16-20, 1989 - CHINA

MEDINFO 89, Sixth World Congress on Medical Informatics, Beijing, China.
Contact: Prof. Ouyang Zhineng, Chairman, Organizing Committee, MEDINFO 89 Secretariat, China Medical Info. Assoc., 55 Xueyuan Nanlu, Wei Gong Cun, Haidan District, Beijing, 100081, People's Republic of China
(from IFLA Newsletter, Jan. 1989)

November 12-17, 1989 - NEW ZEALAND

Joint Conference of the Health Libraries Section of the New Zealand Library Association and the Medical Libraries Group of the Library Association of Australia, Auckland, New Zealand.
Contact: Mrs Margaret Gibson Smith, Convenor, Philson Library, University of Auckland, Private Bag, Auckland, New Zealand

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24-28 September, 1990 - INDIA

Section Meeting at the 6th International Congress on Medical Librarianship New Delhi, India. Theme: "Medical Libraries - Keys to Health Information: 1. Keys to resources: professional Librarians'point of view; 2. Keys to access: Health Professionals'point of view; 3. Keys to information at the grassroots level: laymen's point of view".
Contact: Lois Ann Colaianni, Acting Chair 6ICML National Library of Medicine, Library Operations, 8600 Rockville Pike, Bethesda, Md. 20894, USA
(From IFLA Newsletter, Jan. 1989)

16-21 June, 1991 - FINLAND

The Finnish Council for Health Education will host the XIV World Conference on Health Education in Finland.
For further information or suggestions, please contact: Mrs Tuulikki Juusela, Executive Director, The Finnish Council for Health Education, Karjalankatu 2C 63, SF-00520 Helsinki, Finland

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55th I F L A COUNCIL AND GENERAL CONFERENCE - PARIS - August 19-26, 1989

On August 19-26, 1989, the IFLA Council and General Conference will welcome some 2000 librarians from all over the world. The plenary sessions and the work of the IFLA divisions and sections will take place in the "Palais des Congrès de Paris" at the Porte Maillot, including an important programme of gatherings, visits, social events (Paris Town Hall, National Library, ...). Theme: "Libraries and Information in yesterday's, today's and tomorrow's economy".

The agenda of the IFLA Biological and Medical Sciences Libraries Section is as follows:

- Saturday August 19, 1989
3:15-4:30 pm - First Standing Committee Meeting of the Section
- Wednesday August 23, 1989
09:00-11:00 am - Public Session*
- Thursday August 24, 1989
10:00-12:00 am - 2nd Standing Committee Meeting of the Section
02:00-06:00 pm - Visits of biomedical libraries**
- Friday August 25, 1989
Visits of biomedical libraries**

* The programme of this session will be announced in our next Newsletter

** The final programme of the visits will be announced in our next Newsletter. The following visits are already organized:
"Bibliothèque de l'Académie Nationale de Médecine", "Centre International de l'Enfance", "Institut Pasteur".

The IOC Meeting for the 6th ICML - International Congress on Medical Librarianship (New Dehli, September 24-28, 1990) will be held on Monday August 21, 1989, from 9:00-11:00 am.

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55ème CONSEIL ET CONFERENCE GENERALE - PARIS - 19-26 août 1989

Du 19 au 26 août 1989, Paris accueillera près de 2000 bibliothécaires du monde entier à l'occasion du 55ème Conseil et Conférence Générale de l'IFLA. Les séances plénières et les travaux des divisions et sections de l'IFLA se dérouleront dans le cadre du Palais des Congrès de Paris, situé Porte Maillot, et seront encadrées d'un important programme de réceptions, de visites et de manifestations sociales (Mairie de Paris, Bibliothèque Nationale...). Thème du Congrès: "Les bibliothèques et l'information dans l'économie: hier, aujourd'hui et demain".

Le calendrier des travaux de la section des Bibliothèques Médicales et Biologiques de l'IFLA (Biological and Medical Sciences Libraries Section) est d'ores et déjà arrêté:

- Samedi 19 août 1989
15h15-17h30 - Première réunion du Comité Permanent de la section
- Mercredi 23 août 1989
9h00-11h30 - Session publique*
- Jeudi 24 août 1989
10h00-12h00 - Deuxième réunion du Comité Permanent de la section
14h00-18h00 - Visites de bibliothèques médicales**
- Vendredi 25 août 1989
Visites de bibliothèques médicales**

* Le programme des communications de cette session sera communiqué dans Notre prochain Bulletin.

** Le programme définitif des visites sera annoncé dans notre prochain Bulletin. Sont déjà prévues les visites de la Bibliothèque de l'Académie Nationale de Médecine, du Centre International de l'Enfance, de l'Institut Pasteur.

Le lundi 21 août 1989, de 9h00 à 11h30, se tiendra la réunion du groupe de travail sur le 6ème Congrès International des Bibliothèques Médicales (6th ICML - International Congress on Medical Librarianship), prévu à New Delhi, du 24 au 28 septembre, 1990.

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EAHIL COUNCIL

As it was the case for the Inaugural Meeting of our Association in Brighton, on August 1987, at the 53rd IFLA Annual Conference, the EAHIL Council Meeting will take place on Wednesday AUGUST 23, 1989, in the afternoon, in the context of The 55th IFLA Annual Conference in Paris. Venue and schedule will be announced in our next Newsletter.

CONSEIL DE L'AEIBS

Comme cela avait été le cas lors de la réunion constitutive de l'Association, dans le cadre du 53ème Congrès de l'IFLA à Brighton, en août 1987, le 55ème Congrès de Paris sera l'occasion de réunir le Conseil de l'AEIBS. Il est prévu que le Conseil se tienne le Mercredi 23 AOUT 1989, après-midi. Les horaires précis et le lieu seront annoncés dans notre prochain Bulletin.

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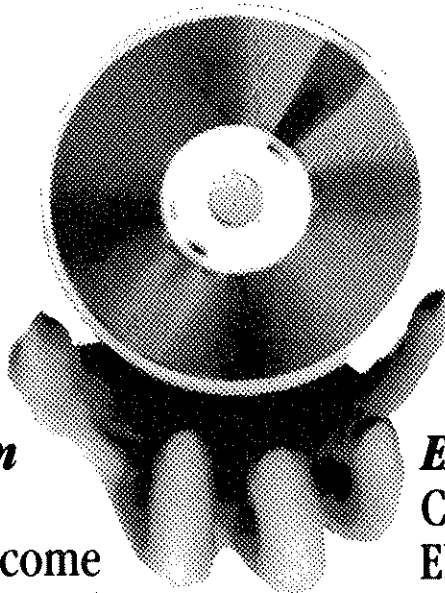
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