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In 2009 the Estonian branch of IAML had 15 members: 12 institutional and 3 individual. The board members: Kaie Viigipuu-Kreintaal (President, Tallinn Central Library), Aurika Gergeležiu (Vice President, Estonian National Library), Heidi Heinmaa (Secretary, Estonian National Library), Avo Kartul (Tartu University Library), Ene Roost (Pärnu Central Library), Meery Salu (Tartu City Library), and Ilvi Rauna (Estonian Academy of Music and Theatre Library).

The most burning question for Estonian branch in 2009 has been finding a solution for free home lending of videorecordings. When the Copyright Law was changed in 2008 so that libraries could freely lend out sound recordings, the lending of videos was not addresses. Estonian copyright law enables libraries to lend videorecordings only when a library makes an agreement with every producer and pays them a fee.

We carried out a short enquiry, *Videorecordings in Estonian Public Libraries in 2009*, to map out a collection's content, the users' interest, acquiring licences, and suggestions for solutions to the lending problem.

Additionally, an article was published in the electronic newspaper of the Estonian Film Foundation that included a call for collaboration with libraries. But we haven't yet received any responses from producers.

About another activities. There were two large events during the year. The Annual Meeting and Study Day took place in April in the Tallinn Central Library. The topic of the seminar was an introduction to the content and trends of online music databases, both paid and free. In the general meeting new board members and the president and secretary were elected.

In the autumn, a two-day seminar of traditional music was held in Viljandi at the Estonian Traditional Music Centre. In addition to lectures we had a good chance to look at a very original traditional music library.

The first target for 2010 is to advance concerns on the lending rights of videorecordings. We are going to initialize a new amendment of the Copyright Law.

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