



Association internationale des bibliothèques, archives et centres de documentation musicaux (AIBM)

International Association of Music Libraries, Archives and Documentation Centres (IAML)

Internationale Vereinigung der Musikbibliotheken, Musikarchive und Musikdokumentationszentren (IVMB)

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The association's membership has been stable.

The French Branch's annual meeting took place at the Conservatoire National Supérieur de Musique et de Danse de Paris last April. It was attended by a third of the membership.

Conference proceedings have been published in the Bulletin number 12. The latter includes:

- the President's report about the general meeting, which was held on 15 April 2004
- the reports of the three working groups which attended the professional days. They were dealing with professional status and training, bibliography online, union catalogue and electronic data exchange
- the report of Tallinn's Conference
- and two items : the first dealing with the *Functional Requirements for Bibliographic Records* by Patrick Le Boeuf, Librarian at the Bibliothèque Nationale de France, and the second dealing with the *Musical Heritage Research Institute (Institut de recherche sur le patrimoine musical)* in France by Sylvie Bouissou, headmaster of IRPMF from 1996 to 2003.

At the beginning of the year the French Group of IAML joined together with seven other associations of libraries, archives and documentation centres to protest against the bill relating to copyright and neighbouring rights. The eight associations have requested that the five following exceptions be safeguarded:

- the exception of private copy
- the specific exception of libraries, educational establishments, museums and archive departments that do not pursue commercial benefits
- the exception for educational or research purposes
- the exception to aid of handicapped persons
- quote for critics or review purposes

I mentioned the Bulletin number 12, and we have brought some copies for distribution.

I also have to announce the immediate publication of the proceedings of the symposium held in Grenoble, coming out in autumn 2004: *Within the key : music and memory*, within the context of "The month of the written heritage".

Finally, we are very happy to announce that the special bulletin of the French Group will come out in October 2004, dealing with the papers on musicological matters given during the 2001 IAML Congress in Pèrigueux.



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