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We are pleased to report that the membership has increased: since 2005, eight more members joined the Group: five institutional and three individual.

In 2006 the French Group received a grant from French Ministry of Culture and Communication’s Department of Music, Dance; Theatre and Entertainment.

In April 2007 the annual meeting of the French Group was welcomed by Mr Jean-Jacques Rouveroux, the Director of the Britten School in Perigueux.

Here are the most important issues that were discussed in the meeting:

1. The OAI-PMH = The Open Archives Initiative’s Protocol for Metadata Harvesting
2. The online updating of the “Directory of Libraries and French Institutions Containing Music Collections”.
3. Presentation of the online bibliography manual scheduled to be put online in September 2007.

The report of the speeches will be made available online on http://www.aibm-france.org and also in Bulletin number 15 of the French Group, which will be published in November 2007.

Within the IABD (Inter-Association - Archives – Libraries – Documentation) the French Group of IAML and 13 other professional associations are working together on subjects of mutual interest:

1. the DADVSI law (copyright and related rights in the media society)
2. code of ethics for using digitized resources
3. impact of the anti-terrorist law on the public access to internet
4. lending right

The French Group has also took part in the French music librarian’s meeting which was organised by the ACIM (Association de Coopération des professionnels de l’information musicale) in March 2007 in Lille.

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