



Web Team Report 2017

After the Rome congress in 2016, I posted 56 slides or presentations and we got a total of 10 congress diaries.

The Web Team is in the process of implementing communication space on the website in accordance with the Ad Hoc committee's recommendations. Drupal's Organic Groups was selected for this and sample workspaces were set up in time to demonstrate in Riga. Workspaces will be released to IAML members after elections for section officers are announced.

Thanks to a suggestion by Claire Kidwell of the Copyright Committee, there is now a section on the IAML website to collect [statements IAML issues concerning policies or other issues](#) that affect libraries worldwide. So far, there are four statements listed.

The IAML website has benefited greatly this year from the contributions of IAML members, who have sent in their announcements, conference reports, congress diaries, and musician anniversary tributes. Of note are the articles by Katharina Jerusalem, who is a recent high school graduate doing a year-long internship at WDR in Cologne.

IAML's social media presence continues to be active. There are currently 664 fans of the IAML Facebook page and 1,176 followers of IAML's Twitter feed. The team of Facebook contributors has expanded since Rome. New people who are able to post as IAML are Carolyn Dow (Lincoln City Library, Nebraska), Manfred Ullrich (Stadtbücherei Würzburg), Anna Pensaert and Leland Reed (posting on behalf of Advocacy Committee), Margaret Jones (posting on behalf of IAML UK & Ireland), Patrizia Florio (posting on behalf of IAML Italia), and Zane Grosa (posting on behalf of the Riga congress). Joseph Hafner, Pia Shekhter, and I continue to post as administrators. Thanks to an idea from Manfred, we started a Facebook series to introduce IAML members. Our first featured member was Ruta Almane-Palmbaha (Latvia) and it was a great success.

Eric Mortensen resigned his position as Assistant Web Editor in January 2017. The Web Team now consists of Jennifer Ward (Web Editor), Gabriele Gamba (Webmaster), and Antony Gordon as Gabriele's administrative backup. Ag additionally administers the mail forwarding system and the contact@iaml.info mailbox. I would like to thank Eric for his service to the Web Team, Ag for his work on technical aspects of the website, and Gabriele for being the webmaster. Thanks are also due to Kathy Adamson and Ag for their assistance in formatting the GA and national reports.

In the coming year, the web team will be looking for a new web assistant. The Congress Diaries series will continue and I will also post slides from Riga to the IAML website. Further improvements to the website are in development, such as a calendar of events, an e-library of publications, and generally working to make our membership more visible.

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