

DRAFT MINUTES

GODORT International Documents Taskforce

Marriot, Room A60

Saturday, January 21, 2017, 3:00PM to 4:00PM

Convener: Kris Kasianovitz, co-chair

Recorder: Kris Kasianovitz

Attendees (in-person)

ALA and GODORT Members: Joseph Yue,
Stephen Woods, Awa Zhu, Sara Erikson, Jessica
Torrance, [Get Name of attendee]

Vendors: Jim Draper; Readex Product
Development; Iain Williamson, OECD Sales and

Marketing Director US & Canada; [Get Name],
East View

Attendees (virtual)

Brett Cloyd, Susan Paterson, Samantha Hager,
Jungwon Yang, Ramona Kohrs (UN Library)

START TIME: 3:02pm

FIRST ORDER OF BUSINESS

Minutes from ALA Annual 2016 Adopted

MEETING DISCUSSION

1. News and Updates from Ramona Kohrs, UN Dag Hammarskjold Library

A. Policy proposal for UN Depository Libraries went forward in March 2016 to centralize publishing [ask Ramona to fill in this]. The acting chief [get name] of the UN Library, who brought this forward.

B. Digital Repository in V. 3 – having some issues, especially with respect to building out workflows that are needed for things like ingesting content from the UN Library mass digitization project. They are using open source software Invenio, <http://invenio-software.org/>, working with a third party vendor to do the build out. Hope is that this repository will be THE place for all official documents and UN publications. Ideally, the digital repository functionality (search, indexing, etc.) will surpass ODS functionality; for now both are still up and running.

C. All Depository Libraries (DLs) will be receiving a Survey on Training Needs (once they have finished all translations). Ramona needs DLs input on this so she can determine what topics to cover and how to best deliver the content. The survey will be sent out via the DL email.

D. Update on the impact that the 2016 ALA Resolution on the Restoration of the United Nations Depository Library System has had:

- Meeting at ILFA with IFLA Advocacy – discussed the need for discussion and input and better exchange between the UN Publications board and the UN Library.
- IFLA Advocacy is willing to assist with regards to item 5 of the Resolution to help foster better communication between the UN Library, UN Publications Board, and the Depository Library Community.
- Two readings were mentioned as useful for understanding the latest issues with the UN Depository and the UN iLibrary (They are available online in a shared IDTF Google Folder: <https://goo.gl/lgnW6A>)
 - Church, J. (2016). International Documents, The Embattled UN Depository. Documents to the People, 44, 3. <https://journals.ala.org/index.php/dtp/article/view/6117>
Access requires ALA GODORT membership to login, embargoed for 6 months.

- Church, J. and Peter Hajnal. (2016). Access to Information at the UN: The (UN)Certain Depository Library System. Academic Council on the United Nations System (ACUNS).

2. Vendor Updates and Discussion

A. Jim Draper, Readex – new collections being developed and released utilizing JPRS and FBIS content (Global Perspectives on Apartheid; Race Relations; Civil Rights; etc.). These are geared specifically for undergraduate courses. They developed these collections based on research Readex did on syllabi and undergraduate history textbooks. Also, they are able to provide api access to the content for text mining or other such research purposes. Fee to do so, but easier to license this use since the materials are federal government publications.

B. Iain Williamson, OECD Publishing – content is continually being added to the UN iLibrary. OECD Publishing and UN Sales and Publishing held a meeting on the UN iLibrary at the UN in New York this November. About a dozen or so libraries participated, including Georgetown, NYU, Baruch College, University of Pennsylvania, Princeton. The goal of this meeting was to get feedback and input of libraries on the product. Given that the meeting wasn't able draw participation from a wider geography; Iain wants to have regional meetings of the same kind. Additionally, Iain is looking to form an "advisory council" of depository librarians to help provide input on the development, pricing, roll-out of the product. [Iain will send a link to the presentations that were made at this meeting.]

C. [Get Name], East View – thank you for providing an impromptu update! They are working to bring in Russian Census materials and other government information into their platform.

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The meeting adjourned at 4:06pm.