Symposium on the Way Forward for an Egyptian Ratification of the Marrakesh Treaty

Tentative Program

Sunday, 12 February 2017

8:30–9:00 Registration

9:00–9:30 Opening Session
Welcome speeches by:
Lamia Abdelfattah, Bibliotheca Alexandrina Chief Librarian, Egypt
Karen Keninger, Chair of IFLA Libraries serving Persons with Print Disabilities Section, USA
Brief self-introductions by participants

9:00–10:45 Session 1: Problem (Book Famine) and Solution (Marrakesh Treaty)
Moderator: Karen Keninger, Chair of IFLA/LPD
The Right to Read
Christopher Friend, Technical Advisor on the Marrakesh Treaty, WBU, UK
The Impact of the Book Famine for Visually Impaired and other Print Disabled Readers in Egypt
Reda Sayed, Board Member, Fajr Al-Tanweer Association for the Blind in Egypt
Heba Kholeif, Bibliotheca Alexandrina; Officer, Cairo Embassy of Knowledge
Open floor for questions and comments from participants.

10:45–12:00 Session 2: Legislative Requirements
Moderator: Hala Essalmawi, Principal Attorney/IPR Officer, Egypt
The Importance of the Disability Bill and Egyptian Commitment to the UNCRPD
Khaled Hanafy, Parliament member, Egypt
Process of Egypt Ratification of Marrakesh Treaty
Heba Mostafa, Director, Intellectual Property Division, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Egypt (to be confirmed)
Prof. Nour Faraht, Chief of the Egyptian Permanent Copyright Office, The Supreme Council of Culture/Professor of Law, Egypt (to be confirmed)
Open-floor for participants to questions or contribute comments.

12:00–12:30 Coffee break
12:30–14:00 **Session 3: Matching the Reading Needs of Egypt's Visually Impaired with the Marrakesh Treaty**
*Moderator:* Kirsi Ylanne, Accessibility Expert, Celia Library, Finland
*The Role of Authorized Entities: Producing Accessible Format Titles for the Visually Impaired and Print Disabled*
Yasmine Youssef, Bibliotheca Alexandrina, Specialist, Digital Talking Books Section
Marwa Suleiman, Librarian/Braille Producer, Ain Shams University, Egypt
Alaa Elgarnousi, Computer Instructor, DAESN Association, Egypt

*Exchanging of Accessible Titles between Authorized Entities and Direct to Individual Print-Disabled Readers in Other Countries*
Richard Orme, CEO, DAISY Consortium, UK
Anthea Taylor, Manager, Accessible Information Library Services Vision, Australia

Open floor for questions and comments from participants.

14:00–15:00 **Lunch break**

15:00 – 15:30 **Session 4: Developing the Way Forward**
*Moderator:* Dina Foda, Fajr Al-Tanweer Association for the Blind in Egypt
*Campaigning Towards Ratification*
Christopher Friend, Technical Advisor on the Marrakesh Treaty, World Blind Union, UK
*The Development of Accessible Title Libraries Network in Egypt*
Richard Orme, CEO, DAISY Consortium, UK

15:30–17:00 **Session 5: Formation of Working Groups**
(Stakeholder participants will volunteer to one of the two working groups below, which they are willing to join)
   a) Ratification Campaign Team (*Mentor:* Christopher Friend)
   b) Developing Accessible Book Libraries Network Team (*Mentor:* Richard Orme)
Both teams will develop a first draft work plan and agree on leadership members

17:00–17:30 **Closing Session**
*Moderators:* Karen Keninger, IFLA/LPD and Christopher Friend, WBU
   a) Report on work plans by team coordinators
   b) The Alexandria Declaration on the Marrakesh Treaty
   c) Future support from IFLA/LPD and WBU

17:30–18:00 **Visit to the Bibliotheca Alexandrina Taha Hussein Library for the Blind**