

## Action, Communication and Budget Multiyear Plan – OCLC EMEA Regional Council 2010 - 2013: “Membership Matters!”

### Context

In 2009, the new Global council was established with a new structure (global and regional reach) and new opportunities after two years of planning, transition and changes. Year 1 (July 09 – June 10) was a formative year that focused on OCLC as a co-operative and collaborative membership organization with an expanded definition of OCLC Membership. During 2009 – 2010 the Global Council set a broad strategic focus based on theme of “Membership, Communication & Engagement” – aimed at promoting OCLC as a co-operative membership (improved understanding at global level) supporting 3 Regional Councils in their set-up phase and initial programmes; providing appropriate platforms so that GC delegates have an understanding of membership issues and needs as identified by the Regional Councils; providing increased opportunities for OCLC members to provide have a voice and vote about activities and issues related to the OCLC Global Council (i.e. influence the agenda in a meaningful way).

In year 2, the EMEARC is proposing a multi-year (rolling plan) Action Plan (July 2010 – June 2013), including the membership communications plan, that will provide a foundation for continuity (short to medium term) and is linked to budget estimates planning/provision. The Action Plan will be reviewed annually to ensure it is aligned with the goals/objectives and financial parameters set by OCLC Global Council. The EMEARC theme is “Membership Matters!” with the focus in Year 2 (July 2010 – June 2011) on greater outreach across this diverse region (estimated 12 sub-regions); broaden its base and level of membership participation; ensure membership inclusivity; strengthen OCLC member engagement via good communication plans; and give input to OCLC about what services are needed by member organisation in the OCLC co-operative.

Years 3 – 4 (July 2011 – June 2013) will focus on consolidating communication and engagement across the EMEARC sub-regions to raise awareness about “benefit” of a membership organisation and improve understanding at both Global and Regional level of the diversity and unique challenges of EMEA members.

### Goals

#### Milestones (short term) Year 2

1. **Multiyear Action Plan** (including communication plan) with budget estimates due by GC Exco Meeting (25 October 2010) that takes EMEARC through Years 2 – 4 with focus on action and implementation to communicate and engage members and customers across diverse sub-regions. Budget for Year 3 (July 2011 – June 2012) proposal to be submitted to GC by March 2011, for approval April 2011.
2. **Sub-regional meetings**  
Central Europe Road shows October 2010 - OCLC EMEA staff programme to include membership, products and services  
South African Road shows 14- 17 February 2011 – Programme to include membership, products and services (OCLC EMEA Staff and Chair)
3. **EMEA RC Annual Meeting** 2 – 3 March 2011, in Frankfurt – “Breaking down barriers to knowledge”
4. **2011 Elections** (GC delegates – starting 1 July 2011)
  - Increased participation in nomination and voting processes (improved inclusivity) – promotional materials in 4 languages of the region;
  - EMEA Regional Council to be more representative of diversity within the region – Exco to be proactive in soliciting nominations across sub-regions.
  - Nominating Committee calls for nominations by 1 November 2010; Finalise candidate slate by January 2011

- Call for nominations in eNews – 4 languages – English, Dutch, German, French
- Introduce candidates at Annual meeting 3 March 2011
- Voting for delegates in second part March 2011; Results to be announced by 1 April 2011
- Implement electronic voting system for 2011 elections

**Medium Term – Years 3 – 4** (July 2011 – June 2013)

1. Review and align action plan, communication plan and budget proposals with approved GC – FY 2011, 2012 and 2013
2. Evaluate, cost and agree venues for 2012 and 2013 Annual RC meetings
3. Annual meeting draft programme for 2012 meeting – finalise and promote by September 2011
4. Sub-regional meetings – identify, cost, finalise and promote sub-regional meetings for July 2011 – June 2013  
July 2011 – June 2012: Lebanon  
Gulf States  
July 2012 – June 2013: North Africa  
July 2013 – June 2014: Southern Europe
5. 2012 Delegate Elections  
Appoint nominating committee – Sept 2011  
Call for nominations and finalise slate – November to March 2012  
Multi-lingual nomination and voting process available  
Electronic voting – March 2012
6. Budget for Year 2013 to be submitted in March 2012 for approval by GC April 2012.

**ACTION PLAN**

Focus Area/Regional focus area	Key Actions	Target Group/Audience	Desired outcomes	Time frame	Who
<p>1. Set strategic direction with regional focus that promotes membership participation and engagement across EMEA sub-regions</p>	<p>Compile a multiyear Action Plan with budget estimates (short &amp; medium milestones/goals) including communications strategy with budget estimates.</p> <p>Focus of EMEARC Action Plan assists members gain better understanding of diversity of region, unique challenges and needs of sub-regions.</p> <p>Build a strong identity for EMEA within Global Council</p>	<p>EMEARC Exco and members GC Exco and members</p> <p>GC Delegates and Council BoT</p>	<p>Achieve continuity across RC leadership changes with multi-term plan and budget framework.</p> <p>Cost effective and sustainable annual RC programmes determined by agreed priorities with equitable spread across sub-regions.</p> <p>Extend benefits of membership organization to sub-regions in terms of agreed 5year programme.</p> <p>Inclusiveness characterizes region and sub-regions; diverse representation on EMEA RC; respect among RC members for culture, language and diversity; RC engagement and communication is a quality experience.</p> <p>- be influential on GC agenda - active participation</p> <p>- voting and nomination process is widely contested and high level of participation</p>	<p>Draft for EMEARC Exco – 20 Oct</p> <p>GC Exco agenda discussion – 25 Oct</p>	<p>GT, RG and JL, RvC</p> <p>EMEARC Chair</p> <p>EMEARC delegates 2010/2011</p>

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<p>2. Emphasize and focus on the collaborative and co-operative nature of OCLC as a membership organization.</p> <p>Take the OCLC collaborative to the EMEARC members</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- share GC and RC work with regional members</li> <li>- share RC work with GC</li> <li>- share RC work with OCLC leadership</li> </ul>	<p>Design a cost-effective communication plan to increase communication and engagement with OCLC membership and OCLC leadership.</p>	<p>2000 OCLC members 7000 customer libraries (Currently do not meet criteria for membership)</p>	<p>Improved understanding of unique challenges, conditions and context of sub-regions within EMEA RC</p> <p>Cost-effective membership drives</p>	<p>November 2010</p>	<p>EMEA Staff EMEARC Exco</p>
	<p>Identify and prioritise sub-regions within EMEA - with timelines for meetings</p>	<p>Within these Audiences:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• potential for collaborative work.</li> <li>• high level of collaboration exists (shared cataloguing, sharing resources, sharing knowledge, contribute digital content)</li> </ul>	<p>EMEA delegates to be used at RC events to promote collaborative nature of OCLC as a membership organization (rather than external speakers). Builds awareness of pro-bono activities of OCLC.</p> <p>Identify, cost and evaluate venues. Proactive and engaging programme content.</p>	<p>November 2010</p>	<p>RvC</p>
	<p>Identify EMEA events to promote OCLC as membership organization.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• low level of contribution (holdings not current)</li> </ul>	<p>Identify, cost and evaluate venues. Proactive and engaging programme content.</p>		<p>F Leslie</p>
<p>Plan and present annual RC meetings 2011 - 2013</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Set objectives for meeting</li> <li>- Proactive and engaging programme content</li> <li>- Mix of external speakers (mindful of costs), member delegates and OCLC staff</li> </ul>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Engage distributors in logistics and support in identified sub-regions.</li> <li>• Programme content that addresses membership, products and services.</li> <li>• Programme content that reflects diversity and disparate needs of region/sub-region(s)</li> <li>• Programme content                             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Library type</li> <li>- activity focused</li> <li>- geographic</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Define message and channels of delivery appropriate to sub-region(s)</li> <li>• Research and evaluate venues, local delegates for programme, cost-effective infrastructure</li> </ul>		<p>EMEA Staff EMEARC Exco</p>	
<p>Identify Plan sub-regions for future programmes</p> <p>2010 - Central Europe</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- South Africa</li> <li>- Southern Africa</li> </ul> <p>2011 – Lebanon and Gulf States</p> <p>2012 – North African (Tunisia, Libya, Morocco, Algeria)</p> <p>2013 – Southern Europe (Italy, Portugal and Greece)</p>				<p>2011 – 2013 Conference organizing committees</p>	

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<p>3. Increase diversity in EMEA RC representation</p>	<p>Facilitate high participation in voting process – convenience, reminders, instructions of what to do.</p> <p>Call for nominations in eNews in 4 languages and via EMEA website</p> <p>Notify EMEA candidates</p> <p>EMEARC candidate announcement via website, email, OCLC co-op News.</p> <p>Introduce candidates to EMEARC members.</p> <p>Voting package via e-mail; electronic voting procedure</p> <p>Announcement of results</p>	<p>EMEARC members</p> <p>EMEA Exco candidates</p> <p>EMEARC members</p> <p>EMEARC Members &amp; customers</p> <p>EMEA member Directors/Voting representative</p> <p>EMEARC RC members &amp; Customers</p>	<p>Reduce language as a barrier to nomination and election process.</p> <p>Investigate &amp; implement electronic voting system with assistance ARC colleagues.</p> <p>Informed members about process for nomination and experience of interest focus.</p> <p>A representative group of nominees representing diversity of the region</p> <p>Wide coverage of nominees across region</p> <p>2011 EMEARC Meeting – Frankfurt</p> <p>Voting materials (Letter, list of candidates, url to ballot, password and unique ID to access ballot ) available in 4 languages</p> <p>EMEARC delegate announcement via website, email, OCLC co-op News.</p>	<p>Nov 2010– March 2011</p> <p>October 2010</p> <p>November 2010 December</p> <p>January 2011</p> <p>2-3 March 2011</p> <p>Voting to take place 2<sup>nd</sup> half March.</p> <p>1 April 2011</p>	<p>Nominating Committee &amp; JL (OCLC)</p> <p>J Lees &amp; R Green</p> <p>Nominating Committee &amp; JL</p> <p>JL on behalf of OCLC</p> <p>EMEA and Dublin marketing staff (new website)</p> <p>EMEARC Exco</p> <p>EMEA and Dublin marketing staff (new website)</p>
<p>4. Engage OCLC membership in membership activities.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Define collaborative nature in EMEA RC context and identify mechanisms to get more involvement</li> <li>Provide forums and vehicles (electronic survey) articulate ideas to RC Exco/delegates</li> </ul>	<p>EMEARC Members</p>	<p>Advise OCLC leadership on emerging issues and matters in our regions.</p> <p>Annual RC meetings 2011 – in progress 2010 – 2011 Sub-regional meetings 2011 - 2012 Sub-regional – in progress</p>	<p>Nov 2010+</p>	<p>EMEA office RC Chair &amp; Exco, Sabinet</p> <p>GT/JL GT/JL GT/JL</p>

<p>Furthering access to the world's Information</p> <p>Reduce costs of libraries</p> <p>Continue to build and strengthen the collaborative.</p>	<p>about needs and desires of members with respect to products/services</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Develop and implement a member communications web site or interactive pages on the [new] OCLC website</li> <li>• Voting in an election (GC &amp; RC).</li> <li>• Promoting co-op to non-members, low-participating members</li> <li>• Ensure elected delegates engage/attend GC and EMEARC meetings, volunteer for committees and Task Force Teams, participate in debates, vote</li> <li>• Design appropriate mechanisms for region to share knowledge &amp; share resources at substantial cost</li> <li>• Identify and promote activities in sub-region that carry out OCLC's public purpose (members sharing, contributing, sharing inputs to OCLC activities)</li> </ul>	<p>EMEARC Members &amp; customers, non-participating institutions</p>	<p>2012 – 2013 Sub-regional – in progress</p> <p>Increase communication between members Active delegates contributing to meetings.</p> <p>Participating in election process – nominating, voting, and making themselves available as nominees.</p> <p>Proxy or alternate delegates participate as required</p> <p>Regional – nominate delegates, voting.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Global engagement in GC, Committees, TF, BOT</li> <li>• Be influential on GC agendas.</li> <li>• Maintain EMEA membership growth – based on EMEA member contributions and sharing.</li> <li>• Monitor participation levels in collaborative activities.</li> <li>• Revise levels of participation (3 metrics) on a regular basis – annual.</li> <li>• Monitor engagement and participation at 3 levels.</li> <li>• Individual institutions (metrics credits)</li> </ul>	<p>Nov 2010-March 2011 Nov 2011-March 2010 Nov 2012-2013</p> <p>Annual</p> <p>Annual</p> <p>Annual</p> <p>2011</p>	<p>RC Exco OCLC marketing staff</p> <p>RC Exco &amp; Nominating Committees</p> <p>EMEARC Exco EMEA Staff</p> <p>EMEARC Exco EMEARC Chair and JL</p>
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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Promote pro bono activities</li> <li>- DDC maintenance</li> <li>- Research and innovation office/reports</li> <li>- Contribution to LIS sector through advocacy e.g. IFLA sponsorship</li> </ul> <p>Staff development and training</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- OCLC specialist webinars</li> <li>- Jay Jordan/IFLA Fellowships</li> <li>- Regional webinars based on needs and requirements articulated by delegates – investigate vehicles to deliver training and promote via eNews</li> </ul> <p>Promote opportunities for memory institutions to participate in the collaborative</p>		<p>EMEA – promote the fellowship programme EMEA Exco encourages candidates to apply. EMEA delegates serve on selection panel.</p> <p>RC Meeting programme – speakers. RC sub-regional meetings - speakers Include in EMEARC Annual meeting programme and sub-regional roadshows.</p>	<p>2011+</p> <p>2009 2010 2011 (tbd)</p> <p>2011+</p>	<p>G Thomas &amp; J Lees 2009-2010</p> <p>Programme organisers</p>
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**Appendix 1 - FY 2011 OCLC EMEA Events Calendar**

<b>Event</b>	<b>Region</b>	<b>Date</b>
OCLC Sommerfest	Oberhaching, DE	01.07.2010
OLIB Customer Conference	Sheffield, UK	14.-15.07.2010
Health Libraries Group Conference 2010	Manchester, UK	29.-31.07.2010
<b>76<sup>th</sup> World Library Information Congress (IFLA)</b>	<b>Gothenburg, SWE</b>	<b>10-15.08.2010</b>
BIS-Kongress in Lausanne	Lausanne, CH	01.-04.09.2010
GBV-Verbundkonferenz 2010	Berlin, DE	08.-09.09.2010
NAG Conference	Glasgow, UK	08.-09.09.2010
CBS-Partnermeeting	Konstanz, DE	14.-15.09.2010
CILIP/OCLC Executive Briefing	London, UK	15.09.2010
CILIP LMS Suppliers Showcase	Manchester, UK	22.09.2010
Informatie aan Zee	Oostende, BE	September 2010
BSZ-Kolloquium	Stuttgart, DE	September 2010
9th Nordic ILL Conference	Espoo, FIN	04.-06.10.2010
Sabinet Client Conference	Kruger Park, SA	06-08.10.2010
Public Library Authorities Conference 2010	Leeds, UK	20.-22.10.2010
11. Bibliotheken Summit	Weimar, DE	27.-28.10.2010
LMS Showcase	London, UK	05.11.2010
Customer Contact Day	Utrecht, NL	06.10.2010
Internet Librarian International	London, UK	14.-15.10.2010
<b>NVB Day</b>	<b>Amsterdam, NL</b>	<b>10.11.2010</b>
<b>Online Information Show</b>	<b>London, UK</b>	<b>30.11 – 2.12.2010</b>
Southern Africa SCESCAL Conference	Gaberone	06-09.12.2010
Digitaal Erfgoed Nederland	Rotterdam, NL	07.-08.12.2010
EDUCA	Helsinki, FIN	29.-30.01.2011
<b>EMEA Regional Council</b>	<b>Frankfurt, DE</b>	<b>02-03.03.2011</b>
JISC Conference 2011	Liverpool, UK	14.-15.03.2011
Det 72. norske Bibliotekmøte	Hamar, NOR	16.-19.03.2011
BIBSYS Brukermøte 2010	Hamar, NOR	19.03.2011
UCISA 2011	Edinburgh, UK	23.-25.03.2011
UKSG 34 <sup>th</sup> Annual Conference	Harrogate, UK	04.-06.04.2011



Global Council	Dublin, OH, USA	11-14.04.2011
3. Swiss OCLC Informationstag	Zürich, CH	April 2011
RLG Partnership European Meeting	Oxford, UK	April 2011
Infoforum	Prague, CZ	May 2011
Journées ABES	France	May 2011
<b>ABF</b>	<b>France</b>	<b>May 2011</b>
ELAG Conference	Prague, CZ	08.-11.06.2011
INULS 2011	Dublin, IRE	24.-25.06.2011
Interlend	UK	t.b.d.
<b>100<sup>th</sup> Deutscher Bibliothekartag</b>	<b>Berline, DE</b>	<b>07-10.06.2011</b>
5. German OCLC Informationstag	t.b.d.	June 2011
CILIP Conference	UK	June 2011
40 <sup>th</sup> LIBER Annual Conference	Barcelona, ESP	29.6-02.07.2011
CoFHE Meeting	Glyndwr, UK	15.-17.07.2011

**Denotes major event**