Membership Matters
an update on EMEARC activities

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Today’s Agenda

• Update on EMEARC activities - Janet Lees
• OCLC Global Council Year 2 - Jennifer Younger
• The new WorldCat policy in the context of the market for library records - Raymond Berard
• What’s the buzz? An overview of OCLC Research - Lynn Silipigni Connaway
• Member Conversation
The OCLC Cooperative belongs to Librarians

- Librarians founded and built the OCLC cooperative and member libraries own it today
- OCLC has a governance structure that puts members at its heart
- OCLC governance has evolved over 40 years and was recently (2009) changed to reflect OCLC’s global reach
- OCLC’s membership in EMEA is growing fast and the changes in governance provide an opportunity to guide and influence the cooperative
- OCLC membership brings values as well as rights and responsibilities
- OCLC is the steward of WorldCat that supports cooperation and other member activities and provides a web-scale presence
**OCLC governance structure**

*Members*
Memory institutions with shared values and an ongoing relationship with OCLC

*Regional Councils (3)*
Assemblies of members in a region (Americas, Asia, EMEA)

*Global Council (48)*
Delegates from Regional Councils

*Board of Trustees (13-17)*
6 Elected by Global Council
OCLC MEMBERSHIP

Any library, archive, or museum embracing the OCLC values of cooperation and sharing is welcome. Members share in a variety of ways such as:
- Contributing metadata, including authority records to WorldCat
- Sharing holdings information
- Sharing staff resources and expertise, such as in a reference cooperative
- Making digital content available to other members
- Sharing materials using OCLC services

And financially support OCLC by
Maintaining a current subscription to a qualifying OCLC service

OCLC Members within the EMEA region participate in OCLC’s governance structure through the EMEA Regional Council and elect Delegates to the OCLC Global Council
Key membership documents

- Membership and Governance Protocols

- Shared values and Membership Principles of the OCLC Cooperative

- WorldCat Rights and Responsibilities for the OCLC Cooperative
OCLC Regional Councils - Chairs 2010/11

Americas
Anne Prestamo
Oklahoma State Univ
USA

EMEA
Gwenda Thomas
Rhodes University
South Africa

Asia
Vic Elliott
National Library
Australia
OCLC EMEA Regional Council

- July 2009 -
- Forum for 7,000 institutions using OCLC services
- 2,000 institutions qualifying as members vote to elect Delegates to represent EMEA at Global Council
- Annual face to face meeting
- Sub-regional meetings
- Increase dialogue with OCLC management OCLC SLT and EMEA BOD
- Promotes the cooperative within the region
EMEA Regional Council Organisation

Executive Committee
EMEA delegates to Global Council who elect Chair Vice Chair/Chair Elect Secretary
1 Staff Liaison

Executive Committee

Nominating Committee
1 NL
1 D
1 UK
1 EU (other)
1 Africa
1 ME

Members
**EMEARC Executive Committee Members and Delegates to Global Council 2011**

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EMEARC Executive Committee Officers 2010/11

Chair
Gwenda Thomas
Library Director
Rhodes University
South Africa

Vice Chair/Chair Elect
Robin Green
Deputy Librarian
University of Warwick
UK

Secretary
Raymond Berard
Director
ABES
France
1st EMEA Regional Council Meeting 2010, Leiden

- 130 delegates from 24 countries
- Jay Jordan, SLT & BOD members
- Larry Alford Chair BOT and Elisabeth Niggeman BOT
- Theme: Cloud computing and Webscale Management Services
- Member discussion groups
- Schanachie Tour
My favourite tweet - #emearc

“feeling inspired after day 1 of #emearc – I love being a librarian”
Global Council comprises 48 Member Delegates elected by the Regional Councils and serves as a key strategic discussion forum and major communication link between member libraries, Regional Councils and OCLC.

- Elects six members to the OCLC Board of Trustees
- Ratifying amendments to the OCLC Code of Regulations and Articles of Incorporation
- Discussing interests of mutual concern and making recommendations to OCLC Management and members of the OCLC Board of Trustees
Global Council - allocation of delegates 2010

- Americas Core: 4
- Asia Pacific Core: 4
- EMEA Core: 4
- EMEA: 6
- Americas Allocated: 29
- Asia Pacific Allocated: 1
OCLC Global Council 2011

Jennifer Younger, Chair 2011

Berndt Dugall, Vice Chair / Chair Elect

Executive Committee: Chairs and Vice Chairs of Regional Councils

Annual Meeting: April 2011
Year 1 activities of Global Council

- Revised definition of membership protocols and shared values documents
- Record Use Policy
- Taskforce on Cost Sharing and Pricing Strategies
OCLC Board of Trustees

6 Trustees elected by Global Council - remainder Board appointed
• Aligns OCLC product, research and advocacy strategies
• Approve annual operating budget, mergers and acquisitions
• Meets 5 times each year

OCLC Membership
Working together for the benefit of all
“OCLC has been built by the intellectual effort and hard work of thousands of librarians over four decades. It is a distinct honor to chair the Board of this remarkable collaborative.”

Larry Alford  Dean of University Libraries, Temple University
SOLINET Board Member 1992-1996
Members Council President 2000-2001
Member SPARC Steering Committee
Member ARL Special Collections Working Group
OCLC Pro bono activities on behalf of members

- Standards activities  eg Dublin Core, mapping Onix to MARC
- Find in a library – Google, Yahoo! etc
- WorldCat Registry – global library registry
- Jay Jordan IFLA/OCLC Early Career Development Fellowship Program
- WorldCat Mashathons – New York, Amsterdam, Seattle, Liverpool
- Library Advocacy – IFLA
- Blue Ribbon Task Force on Digital Preservation and Access
- Symposia and Industry Updates – CILIP briefings
OCLC Research Activities

- VIAF - Virtual International Authority File
- WorldCat Identifiers
- Cloud Library Project
- Innovation Lab
- Library Catalog Recommender System - OCLC & University of Sheffield

Lorcan Dempsey,
VP Research and Chief Strategist
NFAIS 2010 Miles Conrad Lecturer
2010/11 EMEA Membership Activities

• March 2\textsuperscript{nd} - 3\textsuperscript{rd} - EMEARC meeting, Frankfurt

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