

ASSISTANCE TO UNIVERSITY LIBRARIES OVERSEAS

THE AUSTRALIAN Universities' International Development Program (AUIDP) mobilises the resources of the universities and colleges of advanced education of Australia in support of assistance programs to universities in Southeast Asia and the South Pacific.

The emphasis is on institutional strengthening through staff development programs, in academic, administrative and technical areas. Each year, about 100 Australian academics visit some 33 institutions at present supported on short, medium and long-term assignments; 100-200 overseas academics visit Australia each year some on short study visits some for formal post-graduate training.

AUIDP is not a donor agency, nor does it undertake the construction of capital works or provide expensive items of equipment or materials. The emphasis is on the judicious provision of academic inputs. At present, AUIDP conducts programs in Indonesia, Malaysia, Singapore, Thailand the Philippines and the South Pacific, and its major sources of support include the Australian Development Assistance Bureau, the Australian universities and colleges of advanced education, and (through contracts) such international agencies as the Asian Development Bank.

AUIDP considers that central to any such program is support for the provision of adequate library services, in terms of both the technical and managerial capacities of university libraries, and the quality of their collections. In some institutions, AUIDP has a university-wide

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DRAFT GENERAL COUNCIL AGENDA 30 & 31 MARCH 1984

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Conferences

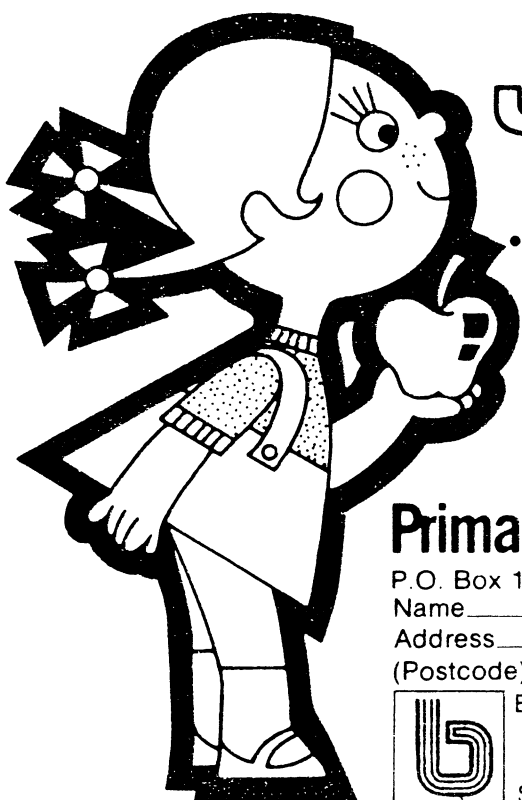
54. LAA/NZLA 1984 Conference
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56. International Relations Committee
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61. Votes of thanks



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APRIL 6-7 LAA Special Libraries Sect NT Group and LAA NT Branch **Workshop** 'Preparing and presenting a conference paper' **Darwin Community College**. Fee: \$50. Contact: Delys Newman (089) 82 4211.

APRIL 9 LAA Special Libraries Sect NT Group **Meeting** 7.30pm **Dept of Lands, Palmerston Building**. Contact: Keith Fair (089) 89 6585.

APRIL 10-12 ACI Computer Services. AUSINET New User and Advanced User **Training Course**. Contact: Lewis Rentschler (03) 544 8433.

APRIL 11 Combined LAA/SLANT **Meeting** to discuss matters of common interest **Jingili Primary School**. Contact: Julii Tyson (089) 22 0250.

Overseas

APRIL 2 **International Children's Book Day**. Birthdate of Hans Christian Andersen. Bookmarks, posters available from IBBY. Contact: (02) 32 5075, (02) 326 0353 (02) 327 4307.

APRIL 4-7 Association of College and Research Libraries **Third National Conference** 'Academic Libraries: myths and realities' **Seattle, Washington, USA**. Contact: ACRL/ALA, 10 East Huron Street, Chicago IL 60611, USA.

APRIL 5-8 Annual Bologna **Children's Book Fair**. Contact: Fiera del libro per ragazzi, Piazza Della Costituzione 140128, Bologna, Italy.

MAY 6-18 University of Maryland, College of Library and Information Services **Library Administrators Program**. Contact: Mrs Effie Knight, Library Administrators Development Program, College of Library and Information Services, University of Maryland, College Park, Maryland, 20742, USA.

AUGUST 19-25 50th **IFLA General Conference in Kenya**. Theme: The basis of library and information services for national development. Contact: Joseph Nyamulu, 4/437 Flemington Road, North Melbourne, Vic. 3051. (03) 329 1136.

OCTOBER 9-13 19th **IBBY Biennial Congress**. **Nicosia, Cyprus**. Contact: Ena Noel (02) 32 5075.

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commitment, and such support forms a natural part of overall institutional strengthening. In others, AUIDP activities are focused on one or two disciplines, and library support designed to relate to a specific set of academic goals. Nevertheless, most activities in the library field have two distinct but related elements:

1. **Support for faculty-based academic programs including:**

- strengthening specific research capacities (holdings, staff training)
- reader education innovations for targeted users
- highly selective acquisitions programs
- involvement of library staff in faculty teaching and research strategies.

2. **General university library upgrading including:**

- long-term and short-term training of library staff in Australia and follow-up
- long-term secondments of Australian academic librarians
- specialised visiting assignments and consultancies
- advice on a wide range of technical matters
- modest support for acquisitions and equipment (funds permitting).

Given the extremely wide range of academic libraries supported by AUIDP, it is difficult to speak of a general AUIDP policy on library assistance. The program aims to be flexible meeting changing needs and circumstances as quickly and effectively as possible. However, some common themes do indicate a broad, general approach:

- encouraging *central* library services, especially in staffing, acquisitions/cataloguing, planning and budgeting;
- encouraging universities and govern-

JOINT STEERING COMMITTEE FOR REVISION OF AACR AUSTRALIAN REPRESENTATIVE CALL FOR NOMINATIONS

The Australian Committee on Cataloguing hereby calls for nominations for the position of Australian representative on the Joint Steering Committee for Revision of AACR. The position will be for a three year term.

Only financial members of the Library Association of Australia are eligible to nominate.

The Joint Steering Committee (JSC) for revision of AACR comprises, in addition to the representative from Australia, representatives of the Library of Congress, the American Library Association, the British Library, the Library Association (Great Britain), the Canadian Committee on Cataloguing and the editors of AACR2. Its function is to consider proposals for changes to the Anglo-American Cataloguing Rules, submitted by the represented bodies, and to decide on the final form of any rule changes. JSC is also charged with the duty of reviewing the need for amendments and revision of AACR2 in the light of representatives from users of the text.

The Australian representative will become an *ex-officio* member of the Australian Committee on Cataloguing (ACOC) and will be required to attend meetings of ACOC. These meetings are held twice per year. The representative will also be required to attend meetings of JSC which are held once per year, normally in August or September, and usually in North America or Britain.

Nominations should be submitted in writing, with evidence of the consent of the nominee. Members of the Association may nominate themselves. A second is not required. Nominations should be accompanied by a statement outlining the nominee's background and reasons for wishing to serve as the Australian representative.

Nominations close at 5.00 pm on Wednesday, 11 April 1984 and should be forwarded to —

Secretary, Australian Committee on Cataloguing
AACOBS
C/- National Library of Australia
Canberra ACT 2600

The ACOC recommendation will be submitted to the Executive Committee of the Library Association of Australia and to the Director-General of the National Library of Australia for their approval.

ments to provide adequate funds for library developments from their own resources;

- encouraging an increase in the number and status of qualified academic librarians;
- encouraging library developments at a pace consistent with the overall development of a university.

In addition AUIDP now includes in its core program the Bibliographic Information on Southeast Asia (BISA) project, managed by the University of Sydney, and also provides the necessary financial support for the operation of the Australian Centre for Publications Acquired for Development (ACPAD). The current AUIDP Library Consultants are: Allan Horton (University of New South Wales) — Indonesia and Papua New Guinea; Ted Flowers (University of Newcastle) — Philippines; Arthur Ellis (University of Western Australia) — Malaysia and Southern Thailand; Bill Linklater (Swinburne Institute of Technology) — Northern Thailand; and Margaret Trask (Kuring-gai College of Advanced Education) — South Pacific.

The Libraries from which AUIDP Consultants have been drawn contribute significantly to the program by providing staff time for the ordering and acquisition of books and materials for the overseas libraries; by supporting short-term visits and longer-term secondments of suitable staff where some specialised assistance is needed; by donating spare sets of back runs of journals to overseas libraries on request and by meeting other miscellaneous requests.

However, these activities are not restricted to the libraries of AUIDP's Con-

sultants and all institutional libraries in the tertiary education sector are encouraged to participate. Further information on both AUIDP and on ACPAD can be obtained from our Consultants listed above or from AUIDP, GPO 1142, Canberra, ACT 2601 (Churchill House, Northbourne Avenue, Canberra).

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