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1 Editorial

Dear colleagues from all over the world,

today, you get the newsletter from the Steering Committee of SPA (Section of Professional Associations). The newsletter and the news from SPA Bureau are part of our main issues:

- How do we reach every archival and records management association of ICA? Many email addresses are obsolete, new addresses of current representatives of associations are not known? Often emails do not reach the email account because of “security problems”.
- Another issue in this context is the choice of media: A PDF newsletter via mail is “old school”. Rather we would like to feed a blog on the SPA website as a more dynamic way of information. But the website does not yet have a tool for a blog.
- Anyway, we had to clean up our website and make it better structured and informative. We are also still working on this.

You see, we put a lot of effort into the project which aims in nothing else than “getting in touch with you”. Please, let the ICA office in Paris and us know about new email addresses and representatives. This is very important for our world wide network of professional archival and records management associations.

This newsletter is also about our other projects and about our meetings. And you read here about news from ICA and from other professional associations.

NEW: In this newsletter you find also reports from ICA expert groups like the Human Rights Working Group.

Have fun reading the newsletter!

Best wishes

Bettina Joergens (February 2018)
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2 News from the SPA Steering Committee

People:

The Team of the Steering Committee of SPA:

Vilde Ronge (Norway) – Chair, Becky Haglund Tousey (USA) – Vice-Chair, Bettina Joergens (Germany) – Newsletter Editor, Joan Soler Jiménez/Marta Munuera Bermejo (Spain) – Webmasters, Eguenio Bustos Ruz (Chile), Bert de Vries (Netherlands), Mei Du (China), Michal Henkin (Israel), Alassane Ndiath (Senegal), Piotr Zawilski (Poland) and Pierre-Frédéric Brau (France)

Commemoration for Cristina Bianchi

It was with great sorrow and disbelief we received the message that our dear colleague and friend, Cristina Bianchi, had passed away October 26, 2017. From one instant to another, at the blink of an eye, her life was over. Reminding the rest of us of how fragile we all are, how important it is to live life to its fullest. Cristina, who had turned 60 this year, was always full of life, she embraced it! She loved to travel, spoke several languages and had such a genuine interest in all that she encountered, be it people or places or food or culture. Cristina meant so much to so many people in our community within the International Council on Archives (ICA), as a professional, as an archivist, and as a person. She had such a beautiful ambiance about her. She was knowledgeable, kind, caring, giving and also never afraid of speaking her mind. She was quite witty, the kind of quiet wit that needs to sink in and that you would chuckle when remembering hours later. She also had the best laugh and wasn't stingy about spreading it around. I first met Cristina when I joined the ICA Section of Professional Associations (SPA) in Brisbane in 2012. We were on the steering committee together for four years and had started on a new four-year term together in Seoul in 2016. Cristina representing Switzerland, I representing Norway. I was so happy that she continued on because of all her knowledge and experience, both within archives and records management, but also because of her language skills and her passion and drive as an ICA volunteer. Just two weeks ago we met via Skype discussing a workshop we were going to do together during the ICA conference in Mexico City late November. That I am now writing an obituary is so tragic, sad, and unreal. Cristina has left massive footprints in all of us who knew her. Not from stomping, but from walking humbly. And oozing of wisdom, kindness and joy. I will miss Cristina immensely, both as an archivist, a fellow ICA volunteer, a travel companion and as a friend. And I know that there are people in all corners of the world, feeling the same way. In China, Chile, Senegal, Poland, Spain, North America, the Netherlands, Germany, France and Israel. And many more. We send our thoughts to Cristina's family in this time of grief and promise that she will live on forever in our minds and happy memories. Rest in peace, Cristina Bianchi.

Vilde Ronge

Chair of ICA Section of Professional Associations

See more: <https://www.ica.org/en/commemoration-for-cristina-bianchi>.

Meetings:

- second meeting in 2017 as governance meeting at the annual conference of ICA in Mexico City. See the minutes on our website.
- spring meeting in May 2018: Berlin (Germany)
- second meeting in 2018 (November) as governance meeting at the annual conference of ICA in Yaoundé (Cameroon)

Workshops:

- Together with Emilie Leumas, Vilde gave a training course on records management for about 70 Tanzanian archivists during the mid-year meeting of the Executive Board (EB), PCOM and section chairs in Tanzania in May.
- Some of the Steering Committee of SPA (Vilde, Bert, Joan, Becky) and further colleagues (Sylvie Clair, Marianne Hoiklev Tengs) organized a “hands-on”-workshop on elevator pitches during the ICA conference in Mexico City. Archivists and records managers took part at a training how to place archival and records management issues with the right words for their audience, enthusiasm and in only few minutes. The SPA Steering Committee will work out a toolkit for elevator pitches and will publish it on the website, so it can be used for further trainings.

3 Activities of the SPA Steering Committee

Who is member of SPA?

SPA currently has 74 member associations. As SPA chair, Vilde is asked to approve any new associations that wish to join SPA. When an association pays its dues as a “category B” member of ICA, it is not considered a member until Vilde affirms that it is a qualified professional association.

SPA Film Festival

It was decided to hold the second SPA film festival in 2019 at the ICA annual meeting in Edinburgh, Scotland. The work on that project will begin during the SPA meeting in Berlin.

Africa Programme

At the previous SPA meeting there was discussion about what SPA could do to advance the goals of ICA’s Africa Programme and to support the African professional associations. Before we can cooperate with African associations we have to have basic information about associations in Africa and contact person. Therefore: First, we will make a list with African SPA members. Further, we will check with our own country association to see if there are already projects in place which support African Archives. And we plan a workshop for/with the African associations at the ICA annual meeting in Cameroon 2018. Our activities for the Africa programme will be a good opportunity to promote the cooperation with other units of ICA, which seems to us a good profit for everyone in the ICA.

SPA Directory of member and non-member associations

There was discussion about how to proceed on this complex project, e.g. checking the mail addresses and websites-links currently on the SPA website. Since it is a general ICA issue we will cooperate with

the Secretariat office in Paris to get an updated list of member associations. We must decide what information should be included in the association directory. What do associations need from an association directory?

SPA Communications

Newsletter

It is our intention to change to a blog format now that ICA has a new association management platform. But many ICA groups want to do a blog and we do not yet know when the blog format will be available to us. In the meantime, Bettina will distribute the newsletter via email until the blog function is available. The big challenge for each issue is getting content from the associations. All associations are again asked to please send content to Bettina for the newsletter.

Website

Prior to the Mexico City meeting Vilde and Marta spend a full day reviewing content and cleaning up the SPA website. Much progress was made but the work is still not finished. See the progress here: <https://www.ica.org/en/section-of-professional-associations-spa>.

Please, let us know, if you have suggestion for improvements.

Archives in 2030

On our business plan is also a project for the further future and about innovation. We think, it is better to have our own ideas and to be active and innovative instead of reacting. And we are convinced that our professions are radically changing these days so that is important to have good ideas to keep up with our professional aims and standards.

New business

Joan explained about a Catalonian project to expand transparency in records management. There is no one to evaluate the connection between information published on web portals and the original sources. A 50-page white paper was recently published by the Catalonian archives association which gives 36 indicators to evaluate whether an organization or government is being transparent. It focuses on government records but is based on international standards. So it can be applicable to other organizations. Joan and his colleague Vincenç gave a paper on this subject at the Mexico City annual meeting. This might be a new topic to be added to the SPA business plan. First, we hope to get an shortened translation.

4 ICA News

Dr. Anthea Seles

As SPA Chair, Vilde was involved in the recent search and interview process to select the new Secretary General, Dr. Anthea Seles. The transition will take place in February 2018. Anthea joined the SPA meeting in Mexico City for a short time as an observer and introduced herself to the committee.

Elections

ICA is holding officer elections in 2018..

New Professional Program

ICA has sent out an invitation to apply for participation to the New Professionals Program 2018 and the deadline to apply is February 15, 2018 (for more information, go to www.ica.org).

ICA Conference

The ICA conference in 2018 will take place in Yaoundé, Cameroon November 26 to 30 and a call for papers is sent out: <https://www.ica.org/en/ica-annual-conference-2018>. Deadline: April 1st 2018.

International Archives Day on, Saturday 9 June 2018!



The International Council on Archives invites you to celebrate the **International Archives Day on Saturday 9 June 2018! "Archives: Governance, Memory and Heritage"** We invite you to celebrate the **International Archives Day** on the theme of the Conference **ICA Yaounde 2018 "Archives: Governance Memory and Heritage"** which will take place in Yaounde, Cameroon from 26 to 28 November 2018.

On Saturday 9 June 2018, celebrate the International Archives Day in your institution, your company or your department. Use this global event for archivists and records managers in order to make known the role of archives and share your experience and the importance of your work. Show that the archives

profession is fun, inclusive, varied and that your expertise is helpful to everyone **Prepare** your project for the International Archives Day 2018:

1. Starting from today, save the date: **Saturday 9 June 2018...** and, as it will be weekend, why not extend it for the whole week?
2. **Get inspired** by what your colleagues around the world have **organized last year** !
3. Under the theme "Archives: Governance, Memory and Heritage", choose right now your project to participate in the event: an exhibition, a slide-show, a film screening, and open your department to the public, explain your work, raise the profile of your colleagues and explain how they can help other departments in your institution or your company.
4. In order to facilitate your events, ICA makes available, customizable **communication templates** (posters, bookmarks, etc.), to encourage everyone to share this day through social networks, business or family circles.
5. And because ICA wants to highlight your projects and the dynamism of archivists and records managers, please think of taking photos of your customized posters and documents, as well as your celebration on Saturday 9th June and **send them to us** !
6. Starting on February, present us your event and **send us your programme** so that it can be displayed in the **Interactive map** (your poster and whatever document that you previously customized). Take advantage of this great exposure of your work to the general public!
7. Follow the event on **social media** and continue to celebrate "Archives: Governance, Memory and Heritage" by registering to the Conference **ICA Yaounde 2018 Saturday 9 June is your day** ! Celebrate the International Archives Day with ICA

Social Medias

Let's share our experiences of the International Archives Day on social networks... We need you! We can't be everywhere on June 9, neither before, despite of the fact that we are putting heart and soul

so that you can have a closer experience of the event. On the other hand, with your support, everything can change! Pictures, videos, recordings or simple messages... Whatever means you prefer to express yourself will do so that you can immortalise your experience of this International Archives Day. Being the narrator of your day will be your benefit. Specify the location and what will you do on this day. An activity that surprises you, that allows you to discover and learn about archives? A place that touches you, makes you shiver, shake or that astonishes you? Send us your photos, videos and comments; we will be happy to disseminate them with our thanks, or a mention and, certainly, you will gain some followers. All you need is a smartphone with internet and the desire of sharing us your experience.

Where should you post ? Post with our hashtag #IAD18 Two social networks ICA International Council on Archives @ICArchiv

Journée Internationale des Archives



Le Conseil International des Archives vous invite à célébrer la Journée Internationale des Archives le Samedi 9 juin 2018 **“Archives : Gouvernance, Mémoire et Patrimoine”** Nous vous invitons à participer à la **Journée Internationale des Archives** sur le thème de la **Conférence ICA Yaounde 2018 “Archives: Gouvernance, Mémoire et Patrimoine”** qui se tiendra à Yaoundé-Cameroun du 26 au 28 novembre 2018. **Samedi 9 juin 2017**, célébrez la Journée Internationale des Archives au sein de votre institution, votre entreprise ou votre service. Profitez de cet évènement mondial pour faire connaître le rôle des Archives et partagez votre expérience et l'importance de votre travail. Montrez que la profession d'archiviste et de gestionnaire de documents est amusante, accessible, variée et que votre expertise est utile à tous. **Préparez** votre projet pour la Journée Internationale des Archives 2018 : **1- Dès maintenant** réservez la date : Samedi 9 juin 2018...et comme c'est un week-end, pourquoi ne pas décliner votre évènement toute la semaine ?

2- Inspirez-vous de ce que vos collègues du monde entier **ont organisé l'année dernière !**

3- Pour participer à l'évènement sous le thème **“Archives: Gouvernance, Mémoire et Patrimoine”**, choisissez dès maintenant votre projet : exposition, diaporama ou projection de film, et pensez à ouvrir votre service au public, expliquez votre travail, rehaussez le profil de vos collègues et expliquez comment ils peuvent aider les autres services de votre institution ou de votre entreprise **4-** Afin de faciliter vos événements, l'ICA met à votre disposition sur son site internet, **des supports de communication personnalisables** (Affiche, marques-page et carte postale)

5- Dès février faites-nous connaître votre évènement et **envoyez-nous votre programme** afin qu'il soit sur la **Carte Interactive** (vos affiches et documents que vous aurez personnalisés) Profitez de cette visibilité incroyable vis-à-vis du grand public !

6- Le Samedi 9 Juin 2018 pensez à prendre des photos de votre célébration et **envoyez-les nous !** L'ICA veut valoriser le travail et le dynamisme des archivistes et gestionnaires de documents !

7- Suivez les événements sur les **réseaux sociaux** et continuez à célébrer “Archives: Gouvernance, Mémoire et Patrimoine” en vous inscrivant à la **Conférence ICA Yaounde 2018 Le 9 juin est votre journée !** Célébrez la Journée Internationale des Archives avec l'ICA

Réseaux sociaux

Partageons nos expériences de la Journée Internationale des Archives sur les réseaux sociaux ...Nous avons besoin de vous ! Nous ne pourrions pas être partout le 9 juin, ni même avant, et ce même si nous allons mettre beaucoup de coeur à vous faire vivre l'évènement au plus près. En revanche,

grâce à vous, tout peut changer ! Photos, vidéos, captations ou simples messages... Quel que soit votre mode d'expression privilégié, vous pouvez immortaliser votre expérience de cette Journée Internationale des Archives. Le privilège : vous êtes le narrateur de votre journée Spécifiez l'endroit où vous vous trouvez et ce que vous y vivez ; Une animation qui vous surprend, qui vous fait apprendre et découvrir des archives ? Un lieu qui vous fait vibrer, frissonner, trembler, qui vous ébahit ? Envoyez-nous vos photos, vidéos et commentaires, nous nous ferons un plaisir de les relayer, avec en bonus, un merci, une mention, et très certainement quelques followers à la clé. Tout ce dont vous avez besoin c'est d'un téléphone connecté à internet et l'envie de nous faire partager votre expérience. **Où poster ?** Un mot-dièse (*hashtag*) : #IAD18 Deux réseaux sociaux ICA International Council on Archives @ICArchiv C'est à vous de jouer; faites-nous vivre les Journées Internationales des Archives !

Día Internacional de Archivos

El Consejo Internacional de Archivos te invita para celebrar el Día Internacional de Archivos el ¡Sábado 9 de junio de 2018! "Archivos: gobernanza, memoria y patrimonio"

Te invitamos a celebrar el Día Internacional de los Archivos sobre el tema de la Conferencia ICA Yaundé 2018 "Archivos: Gobernanza, memoria y patrimonio" que tendrá lugar en Yaundé, Camerún desde el 26 al 28 de noviembre de 2018.

El sábado 9 de junio de 2018, celebra el Día Internacional de los Archivos en tu institución, tu empresa o en tu trabajo. Utiliza este evento global para archivistas y administradores de registros con el fin de dar a conocer el papel de archivos, comparte tu experiencia y la importancia de tu trabajo. Demuestra que los archivos el trabajo es entretenido, incluyente, variado y tu experiencia es útil para todos

Prepara tu proyecto para el Día Internacional de Archivos 2018:

1. A partir de hoy, guarda la fecha: sábado 9 de junio de 2018 ... y, como será fin de semana, ¿por qué no extenderlo por toda la siguiente semana?
2. Inspírate con lo que tus colegas de todo el mundo organizaron el año pasado.
3. Bajo el lema "Archivos: gobernanza, memoria y patrimonio", elije en este momento tu proyecto para participar en el evento: una exposición, una presentación de diapositivas, una proyección de una película, y abre tu departamento al público, explica tu trabajo, eleva el perfil de tus colegas y explica cómo pueden ayudar a otros departamentos en tu institución o en tu empresa.
4. Para facilitar tus eventos, ICA pone a tu disposición plantillas de comunicación personalizables (carteles, marcadores, etc.), para alentar a todos a compartir este día a través de redes sociales, negocios, familia o círculos de amistades.
5. Porque ICA quiere destacar tus proyectos, el dinamismo de los archivistas y gestores de documentos, piensa en tomar fotos de tus carteles y documentos personalizados, así como de tu celebración el sábado 9 de junio y envíalas!
6. A partir de febrero, presenta tu evento y envíanos tu programa para que se pueda mostrar en el mapa interactivo (tu póster y cualquier documento que hayas personalizado previamente). Toma ventaja de esta gran exposición de su trabajo al público en general.
7. Sigue el evento en las redes sociales y continúa celebrando "Archivos: gobernanza y patrimonio, registrándote en la Conferencia ICA Yaundé 2018.

¡El sábado 9 de junio es tu día! Celebra el Día Internacional de Archivos con ICA

Redes sociales, compartamos nuestras experiencias del Día Internacional de los Archivos en las redes sociales ... ¡Te necesitamos!

No podemos estar en todas partes el 9 de junio, ni antes, a pesar del hecho de que estamos poniendo corazón y alma para que puedas tener una experiencia más cercana del evento. Por otro lado, con tu apoyo, todo puede cambiar.

Imágenes, videos, grabaciones o mensajes sencillos ... Cualquiera que sea el medio que prefieras para expresarte, hará para que puedas immortalizar tu experiencia de este Día Internacional de Archivos. Ser el narrador de tu día será tu beneficio.

Todo lo que necesitas es un teléfono inteligente con internet y el deseo de compartir tu experiencia.

¿Dónde deberías publicar?

Publicar con nuestro hashtag # IAD18

Dos redes sociales

5 Reports from all over the World

Germany

- [Verband deutscher Archivarinnen und Archivare e.V.](#)

The German Archival Association focuses these days on two important events:

The 9th German Archives Day: On the 3rd and 4th of March 2018 the 9th German Archives Day will take place. This year's motto is „democracy and civic rights“. Several hundred archives all over Germany will open their doors and host public tours, lectures and various events to show the importance of records and archives management for society. The German Archives Day is an initiative of the VdA which is also responsible for the nationwide coordination and the accompanying publicity work. See: Link: <http://www.tagderarchive.de/>

88th Conference for Archival professionals / 88. Deutscher Archivtag: The VdA will organize and host the 88. Deutscher Archivtag, the largest national convention for records and archives management in Europe. It will take place in Rostock from 25th till 28th of September 2018 under the slogan “Reliable, accurate and real – democracy needs archives“. Visitors can look forward to numerous scientific lectures, workshops, discussion roundtables and –for the first time- a bar camp. Simultaneously the VdA will organize the ARCHIVISTICA, a trade fair for archive products and services. See more: Link: <http://www.archivtag.de/>

- [Association of Church Archives in Germany](#)

The „Federal Conference of Church Archives in Germany“ includes 27 archives of dioceses and the archives of the military bishop, also the AGOA, the AGAUE and the records manager of the dioceses. The “Federal Conference of Church Archives in Germany” focused in 2017 mainly on the promotion of the cooperation between the church archives and with other archives. In order to improve the professional collaboration church archivists meet in working groups for records management, online service, appraisal and practical use of KAO. Besides these working groups and regular meetings, church archivists organized a training about legal questions in the archives in 2017, a second one is planned for 2018. In September 2017, after several years of preparation, the project for the relaunch of the archival portal for church archives (www.katholische-archive.de) could be started. This project is financed by the German Conference of Bishops and should be finished after two years. The new archival portal should help also small church archives to provide structured finding aids online and improve therefore their services for users. Further, the new church portal will deliver finding aids to national and international portals for archives.

See further to the successful „Volkersberger Kurs“ (which will also take place in 2018/2019): www.katholische-archive.de.

Latin America

● ALA: Commemoration of the 40th anniversary, its origins and evolution held in Mexico City in 2017. A special session was presented about the Latin American Association of ALA Archives

As part of the annual ALA / ICA conference held in Mexico City in 2017, a special session was presented about the Latin American Archives Association ALA. The Latin American Archives Association (ALA) was created on April 6, 1973, in Lima, Peru, as an entity of professional and cultural nature, non-profit, which is considered one of the most active regional branches of the International Council of Archives (ICA, for its acronym in English). Currently, the ALA is made up of 21 nations, extending to the Ibero-American sphere with the inclusion of the Philippines. For more than 40 years, the Latin American archives associated with ALA break the isolation, integrate, assimilate and transform theories and techniques; ideas and processes; but they also recreate and contribute concepts and methods; experiences and innovations in the field of archives. They join efforts, apply international best practices to optimize archival processes of defense, organization, custody and dissemination of archives, both administrative and historical. It is an interdisciplinary action in which archivists, historians, administrators, economists and academics in general have participated, who in different conferences and seminars have shared their knowledge, analyzing methodological proposals, with the aim of making Ibero-American archives true centers of excellence, the administration, in the fight against corruption and making the best decisions based on reliable and truthful information in the achievement of peace. In recent years there has been an accelerated growth in the overall development of the archival activity of the Ibero-American community, thanks to effective collaboration among members, where the ALA plays a leading role in the organization of events that encourage the acquisition of new knowledge, as well as the exchange of ideas and experiences.

ALA: Conmemoración del 40 aniversario, sus orígenes y evolución

Como parte de la conferencia anual ALA/ICA desarrollada en Ciudad de México en 2017 se presentó una sesión especial sobre la Asociación Latinoamericana de Archivos ALA. La Asociación Latinoamericana de Archivos (ALA) fue creada el 6 de abril de 1973, en Lima, Perú, como una entidad de carácter profesional y cultural, sin ánimo de lucro, a la cual se le considera una de las ramas regionales más activas del Consejo Internacional de Archivos (ICA, por sus siglas en inglés). Actualmente, la ALA está integrada por 21 naciones, extendiéndose al ámbito iberoamericano con la inclusión de Filipinas. Desde hace más de 40 años, los archivos iberoamericanos asociados en ALA rompen el aislamiento, se integran, asimilan y transforman teorías y técnicas; ideas y procesos; pero también recrean y aportan conceptos y métodos; experiencias e innovaciones en el campo de los archivos. Unen esfuerzos, aplican las mejores prácticas internacionales para optimizar los procesos archivísticos de defensa, organización, custodia y difusión de los archivos, tanto administrativos como históricos. Se trata de una acción interdisciplinaria en la que han participado archivistas, historiadores, administradores, economistas y académicos en general, quienes en diferentes congresos y seminarios han compartido sus conocimientos, analizando propuestas metodológicas, con el ánimo de hacer de los archivos iberoamericanos verdaderos centros de excelencia, la administración, en la lucha contra la corrupción y la toma de las mejores decisiones fundamentadas en información fidedigna y veraz en el logro de la paz. En los últimos años se ha manifestado un crecimiento acelerado en el desarrollo integral de la actividad archivística de la comunidad Iberoamericana, gracias a la efectiva colaboración entre los miembros, donde la ALA cumple un papel preponderante en la organización de eventos que permiten incentivar la adquisición de nuevos conocimientos, así como el intercambio de ideas y experiencias.

ALA: Commémoration du 40ème anniversaire, ses origines et son évolution

Dans le cadre de la conférence annuelle ALA / ICA tenue à Mexico en 2017, une session spéciale a été présentée sur l'Association des archives latino-américaines ALA. L'Association des archives latino-

américaines (ALA) a été créée le 6 avril 1973 à Lima, au Pérou. comme une entité de nature professionnelle et culturelle, à but non lucratif, qui est considéré comme l'une des branches régionales les plus actifs du Conseil international des archives (ICA, pour son acronyme en anglais). Actuellement, l'ALA est composée de 21 nations, s'étendant à la sphère ibéro-américaine avec l'inclusion des Philippines. Depuis plus de 40 ans, les archives latino-américaines associées à l'ALA rompent l'isolement, intègrent, assimilent et transforment les théories et les techniques; idées et processus; mais ils recréent et apportent aussi des concepts et des méthodes; expériences et innovations dans le domaine des archives. Ils conjuguent leurs efforts, appliquent les meilleures pratiques internationales pour optimiser les processus archivistiques de défense, d'organisation, de conservation et de diffusion des archives, tant administratives qu'historiques. C'est une action interdisciplinaire à laquelle ont participé des archivistes, des historiens, des administrateurs, des économistes et des universitaires qui, dans différents congrès et séminaires, ont partagé leurs connaissances, analysant des propositions méthodologiques, dans le but de faire des archives ibéro-américaines l'excellence, le l'administration, dans la lutte contre la corruption et en prenant les meilleures décisions sur la base d'informations fiables et véridiques pour la réalisation de la paix. Ces dernières années, le développement global de l'activité archivistique de la communauté ibéro-américaine s'est accéléré, grâce à une collaboration efficace entre les membres, où l'ALA joue un rôle de premier plan dans l'organisation d'événements qui encouragent l'acquisition de nouvelles connaissances, ainsi que l'échange d'idées et d'expériences.

● [The IX Latin American Meeting of Librarians, Archivists and Museologists IX EBAM took place in Mexico City from September 9 to 13, 2017](#)

The IX Latin American Meeting of Librarians, Archivists and Museologists IX EBAM took place in Mexico City from September 9 to 13, 2017, taking place at the National Numismatic Museum of the Mexican Mint, counting in the opening ceremony with the presence by Luis Oporto Ordoñez, founder of EBAM, Leonardo López, General Coordinator of the IX EBAM 2017. María Nelly Gómez, member of the Standing Committee, the deputy director of the headquarters Museum, Ángel Valtierra and the director of the National Library of Anthropology and History of Mexico, Baltazar Brito. This important professional meeting of a multidisciplinary nature in relation to documentary and heritage sciences, included lectures, general presentations, special presentations, book presentations and posters. Among the keynote lectures were "The last victory of the frigate Mercedes: public administration at the service of historical heritage", by Braulio Vázquez Campos of the General Archive of the Indies, Seville, Spain and "Revaluing heritage in the digital era", by Bolfy Efraín Cottom Ulín, from the Directorate of Historical Studies, National Institute of Anthropology and History, Mexico. The presentation of papers was distributed in 10 tables that dealt with topics related to archives, libraries, museums at the service of society, manuscripts, preservation, digitalization, library challenges, professional training, collective memory, bibliometrics, among others. Likewise, ABAMP- Peru, the national branch of the EBAM, was announced during the presentations. Presentations of books and magazines were developed. The exhibition of posters with interesting graphic samples on subjects of the disciplines pertinent to the event came from participants from Argentina, Brazil, Colombia, Costa Rica, Mexico and Puerto Rico, institutional visits were also developed, + special visits to the General Archive of the Nation, the Historical Archive of Mexico City and Chapultepec Castle. As in all EBAM, the meeting of the Standing Committee was held, which is made up of the Founding Members and the General Coordinators of each EBAM, as well as by the National Coordinators of the participating countries. Participants from Argentina, Belize, Bolivia, Brazil, Chile, Colombia, Costa Rica, Spain, Peru, Puerto Rico and Mexico attended the IX EBAM in 2017. The headquarters assigned to the X EBAM is the city of La Paz (Bolivia), from September 10 to 14, 2018, on the occasion of the celebration of the tenth meeting

that was born just ten years ago in that city. Subsequent meetings will be held in Puerto Rico (2019) and in Brazil (2020).

IX Encuentro latinoamericano de bibliotecarios, archivistas y museólogos (Mexico)

El IX Encuentro Latinoamericano de Bibliotecarios, Archivistas y Museólogos IX EBAM tuvo lugar en Ciudad de México del 9 al 13 de Septiembre de 2017, desarrollándose en el Museo Numismático Nacional de la Casa de Moneda de México, contando en el acto de apertura con la presencia de Luis Oporto Ordoñez, fundador del EBAM, Leonardo López, Coordinador General del IX EBAM 2017. María Nelly Gómez, miembro del Comité Permanente, el subdirector del Museo sede, Ángel Valtierra y el director de la Biblioteca Nacional de Antropología e Historia de México, Baltazar Brito. Este importante encuentro profesional de carácter multidisciplinario en lo referente a las ciencias documentales y patrimoniales, contempló conferencias magistrales, ponencias generales, ponencias especiales, presentaciones de libros y exposición de carteles. Entre las destacadas conferencias magistrales estuvieron "La última victoria de la fragata Mercedes: la administración pública al servicio del patrimonio histórico", a cargo de Braulio Vázquez Campos del Archivo General de Indias, Sevilla, España y "Revalorizando el patrimonio en la era digital", a cargo de Bolfy Efraín Cottom Ulín, de la Dirección de Estudios Históricos, Instituto Nacional de Antropología e Historia, México. La presentación de ponencias estuvo distribuida en 10 mesas en las que se abordaron temáticas relacionadas con archivos, bibliotecas, museos al servicio de la sociedad, manuscritos, preservación, digitalización, retos bibliotecológicos, formación profesional, memoria colectiva, bibliometría, entre otros. Así mismo, dentro de las ponencias se dio a conocer ABAMP- Perú rama nacional del EBAM. Se desarrollaron presentaciones de libros y revistas La exposición de carteles con interesantes muestras gráficas sobre temáticas de las disciplinas atinentes al evento provinieron de participantes de Argentina, Brasil, Colombia, Costa Rica, México y Puerto Rico, también se desarrollaron visitas institucionales, visitas especiales al Archivo General de la Nación, al Archivo Histórico de la Ciudad de México y al Castillo de Chapultepec. Como en todo EBAM, se efectuó la reunión del Comité Permanente que está compuesto por los Miembros Fundadores y por los Coordinadores Generales de cada EBAM, como así también por los Coordinadores Nacionales de los países participantes. Al IX EBAM año 2017 concurrieron participantes de Argentina, Belice, Bolivia, Brasil, Chile, Colombia, Costa Rica, España, Perú, Puerto Rico y México. La sede asignada para el X EBAM es la ciudad de La Paz (Bolivia), del 10 al 14 de septiembre de 2018, con motivo de la celebración del décimo encuentro que naciera justamente diez años atrás en dicha ciudad. Los encuentros posteriores se efectuarían en Puerto Rico (2019) y Brasil (2020).

● **XII CONGRESS OF ARCHIVOLOGY OF MERCOSUR was held from September 26 to 29, 2017 in the city of Córdoba, Argentina**

The XII Mercosur Archivology Congress was held from September 26 to 29, 2017 in the city of Córdoba, Argentina, and its central theme is "Archives and Archives in the Knowledge Society, with the participation of 600 attendees from Bolivia, Brazil, Chile, Colombia, Ecuador, Israel, Mexico, Paraguay, Peru, Switzerland, Uruguay and Argentina as host country. The inaugural lecture was given by Dr. Silvia Schenkolewski with the theme "Archives and archivists in contemporary society - Realities and challenges". This successful congress was organized by the Network of Graduate Archivists of Córdoba with the support of the National University of Córdoba. Within the framework of the CAM, the following parallel meetings took place: VIII Meeting of Mercosur Professional Associations, highlighting the participation of Didier Grange on behalf of the International Council of Archives; the VIII Meeting of the Ibero-American Network of University Archival Teaching, highlighting the presence of Dr. Mercedes de Vega Armijo, President of the Latin American Association of Archives (ALA); the III Encounter of Photographic Archives of the Mercosur; the I Meeting of Personal Archives, the First Meeting of Archival Editorials; the IX Meeting of Municipal Archives; the VIII Meeting of University Archives; the XVII Meeting of Students of Archivology and the

Meeting of Archivists without Borders. The thematic areas covered access to information, new technologies, archival training, the dissemination of archives and international cooperation, archival techniques, the social role of the archivist. There were also technical visits, specialized courses, workshops, presentation of books by author and exhibition of scientific posters. Prior to the congress, the meeting of the CAM Advisory Council, made up of the General Coordinators of each congress, was held. Among the conclusions of that meeting, it is worth mentioning that, by decision of the Council, the congress will continue with its denomination of origin, the Archivology Congress of the Mercosur, whose objective is to promote union and professional exchange among the archives of the Common Market of the South considering that the denomination does not prevent or limit the participation of professionals from anywhere in the world but that the organization must be in charge of a member country of the Mercosur, also resolved to include as a side event in the next CAM, the Day of Archives of human rights. With regard to the Meeting of Professional Associations, it was proposed to create a Network of Associations of Archivists of Latin America open to Associations. Finally on the closing day, Gabriel Queijo on behalf of the Association of the Uruguayan Association of Archivists presented as headquarters of the XIII CAM in 2019 to the city of Montevideo, For more information consult: <http://redarchiveroscordoba.com/editorial/xii-cam/>

XII Congrès de l'archivologie du mercosur (Argentine)

Le XIIe Congrès du Mercosur a eu lieu archivistique du 26 au 29 Septembre 2017 la ville de Cordoba, en Argentine, son thème central « Archives et Archivistes dans la société du savoir, avec la participation de 600 participants de la Bolivie, Le Brésil, le Chili, la Colombie, l'Équateur, Israël, le Mexique, le Paraguay, le Pérou, la Suisse, l'Uruguay et l'Argentine en tant que pays hôte. La conférence inaugurale a été donnée par Dr. Silvia Schenkolewski sur le thème "Archives et archivistes dans la société contemporaine - Réalités et défis". Ce congrès couronné de succès a été organisé par le Réseau des Archivistes Diplômés de Cordoue avec le soutien de l'Université Nationale de Córdoba. Dans le cadre du CAM, les réunions parallèles suivantes ont eu lieu: VIII Réunion des Associations Professionnelles du Mercosur, soulignant la participation de Didier Grange au nom du Conseil International des Archives; la VIIIe réunion du Réseau ibéro-américain d'enseignement universitaire en archivistique, soulignant la présence de Mme Mercedes de Vega Armijo, présidente de l'Association latino-américaine des archives (ALA); la IIIe Rencontre des archives photographiques du Mercosur; la I Réunion des archives personnelles, la première réunion des éditoriaux d'archives; la IXe réunion des archives municipales; la VIIIe réunion des Archives de l'Université; la XVIIe rencontre des étudiants en archivistique et la rencontre des archivistes sans frontières. Les domaines thématiques couvrent l'accès à l'information, les nouvelles technologies, la formation archivistique, la diffusion des archives et de la coopération internationale, les techniques d'archivage, le rôle social de l'archiviste. Il y a eu aussi des visites techniques, des cours spécialisés, des ateliers, la présentation de livres par l'auteur et l'exposition d'affiches scientifiques. Comme avant le congrès, la réunion du Conseil consultatif du CAM composé des coordinateurs généraux de chaque Congrès, y compris les conclusions de cette réunion a eu lieu à noter que par décision du Congrès du Conseil poursuivra son appellation, le Congrès des archivistique Mercosur, qui vise à promouvoir l'union et d'échanges professionnels entre les archivistes du marché commun du Sud alors que la désignation ne fait pas obstacle ou de limiter la participation des professionnels de partout dans le monde, mais que l'organisation devrait être responsable d'un pays membre Mercosur, a également décidé d'inclure comme un événement parallèle dans la prochaine CAM, la Journée des archives des droits de l'homme. En ce qui concerne la réunion des associations professionnelles, il a été proposé de créer un réseau d'associations d'archivistes d'Amérique latine ouvert aux associations Enfin le jour de la clôture, Gabriel Queijo au nom de l'Association uruguayenne des archivistes présentée comme siège de la XIII CAM en 2019 à la ville de Montevideo, Pour plus d'informations, consulter: <http://redarchiveroscordoba.com/editorial/xii-cam/>

XII CONGRESO DE ARCHIVOLOGIA DEL MERCOSUR (ARGENTIN)

El XII Congreso de Archivología del Mercosur se realizó del 26 al 29 de Septiembre de 2017 en la ciudad de Córdoba, Argentina, siendo su tema central “Archivos y Archiveros en la Sociedad del Conocimiento, contando con la participación de 600 asistentes provenientes de Bolivia, Brasil, Chile, Colombia, Ecuador, Israel, México, Paraguay, Perú, Suiza, Uruguay y Argentina como país sede. La conferencia inaugural estuvo a cargo de la Dra. Silvia Schenkolewski con el tema “Archivos y archiveros en la sociedad contemporánea-Realidades y desafíos”. Este exitoso congreso fue organizado por la Red de Archiveros Graduados de Córdoba con el apoyo de la Universidad Nacional de Córdoba. Dentro del marco del CAM tuvieron lugar los siguientes encuentros paralelos: VIII reunión de Asociaciones Profesionales del Mercosur, destacando la participación de Didier Grange en representación del Consejo Internacional de Archivos; la VIII Reunión de la Red Iberoamericana de Enseñanza Archivística Universitaria destacando la presencia de la Dra. Mercedes de Vega Armijo, Presidenta de la Asociación Latinoamericana de Archivos (ALA); el III Encuentro de Archivos Fotográficos del Mercosur; el I Encuentro de Archivos Personales, la I Reunión de Editoriales de Archivología; la IX Jornada de Archivos Municipales; la VIII Reunión de Archivos Universitarios; el XVII Encuentro de Estudiantes de Archivología y la Reunión de Archiveros sin Fronteras . Los ejes temáticos abarcaron el acceso a la información, las nuevas tecnologías, la formación archivística, la difusión de los archivos y la cooperación internacional, las técnicas archivísticas, el rol social del archivero. También se efectuaron visitas técnicas, cursos especializados, workshop, presentación de libros por autor y exposición de posters científicos. En forma previa al congreso, se realizó la reunión del Consejo Asesor del CAM compuesto por los Coordinadores Generales de cada congreso, entre las conclusiones de dicha reunión cabe destacar que por decisión del Consejo el congreso continuará con su denominación de origen, Congreso de Archivología del Mercosur, cuyo objetivo es fomentar la unión y el intercambio profesional entre los archiveros del Mercado Común del Sur considerando que la denominación no impide ni limita la participación de profesionales de cualquier lugar del mundo pero que la organización debe estar a cargo de un país miembro del Mercosur, también se resolvió incluir como evento paralelo en los próximos CAM, la Jornada de Archivos de los derechos humanos. Respecto a la Reunión de Asociaciones Profesionales, se propuso crear una Red de Asociaciones de Archiveros de Latinoamérica abierta a Asociaciones Finalmente en la jornada de clausura, Gabriel Queijo en representación de la Asociación Uruguaya de Archivólogos presentó como sede del XIII CAM en 2019 a la ciudad de Montevideo, Para más información consultar:

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The Netherlands

• Society for Archival Publications S@P and the Royal Dutch Association of Archivists

“Archives in Liquid Times”: a new Publication about Philosophy and Theory on Archives:

“Archives in Liquid Times” aims to broaden and deepen the thinking about archives in today’s digital environment. It is a book that tries to fuel the debate about archives in different fields of research. It shows that in these liquid times, archives need and deserve to be considered from different angles.

“Archives in Liquid Times” is a publication in which archival science is linked to philosophy (of information) and data science. Not only do the contributors try to open windows to new concepts and perspectives, but also to new uses of existing concepts concerning archives.

The articles in this book contain philosophical reflections, speculative essays and presentations of new models and concepts alongside well-known topics in archival theory. Among the contributors are scholars from different fields of research, like Wolfgang Ernst, Geoffrey Yeo, Martijn van Otterlo, Charles Jeurgens, Anne Gilliland and Geert-Jan van Bussel. This book includes interviews with Luciano Floridi and Eric Ketelaar, in which they reflect on key issues arising from the contributions.

The editors are Frans Smit, Arnoud Glaudemans and Rienk Jonker.

The book is published by the Dutch Society for Archival Publications (S@P). It is available as free digital download in PDF and in E-pub format.

Archives in Liquid Times is available on:

- the website of the Royal Dutch Association of Archivists: <http://kvan.nl/publicaties/s-p> (PDF and EPub)
- The website of co-editor Rienk Jonker: <https://lnkd.in/gDwbj> (PDF and EPub)
- Open Access Library: <http://www.oapen.org/search?identifier=641001;keyword=Archives> (PDF)
- academia.edu: https://www.academia.edu/35423093/Archives_in_Liquid_Times (PDF)

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Norway

• Norwegian Society of Records Managers and Archivists (Norsk Arkivråd/NA)

2017 has been a busy year for us. As always, it is important to us to arrange a great variety of courses and trainings within the profession in order to strengthen and enhance the knowledge of our members. We strive to continuously develop our course portfolio to keep current and provide the best education possible in a rapidly changing records management environment. For 2018, we have planned to develop a few new courses and also workshops to meet new demands both from our members and the society as a whole. For instance, digitalization requires records managers to be able to work in different ways and cooperate in a more integrated way with the rest of the organization, and we wish to establish meeting places where these skills can be developed and experiences shared.

We have arranged two larger seminars in 2017; in the spring and in the autumn. In these yearly seminars we aim to focus on the most current issues in the profession and the challenges and opportunities we meet. In the autumn seminar, subjects such as robotics, GDPR and the new archive regulation were hot topics that provided interesting discussions.

2017 has been a particularly important year when it comes to the Norwegian archive regulations, and we have responded to public hearings regarding various parts of these earlier this year. A committee has been formed to review the archive law, a review that we have advocated. We are currently holding meetings all around Norway in our region chapters, in order to deliver our very best feedback and suggestions to this committee. It is important to us that the whole organization be instrumental in this very important work.

NA also participated in hearings in the most relevant committees of the Parliament regarding the national budget for 2018, which is a good opportunity to lobby for our issues and raise awareness about the importance of records management and archives.

2018 will be an even more active year, as we have several activities planned and have recently received funds that will provide us with ample possibilities to put them in to life.

Poland

- [The 7th General Congress of Polish Archivists](#)

The 7th General Congress of Polish Archivists co-organized by the Association of Polish Archivists and the Head Office of the State Archives took place in Kielce from 20 to 22 September 2017. The central theme of the Congress was “Archival science without frontiers” The Congress was followed by exhibitions and professional workshops. The Congress gathered over 700 archivists, record managers, scientists, and digitisation specialists from Poland, Argentina, Austria, Czech Republic, France, Hungary, Lithuania, the Netherlands, Russia, and Ukraine who could share their experiences and opinions and discuss the papers presented by over 100 speakers.

Particular panels i.a. were focused on digitization, record management, electronic documents, archival education, community archives or the future of archival science in Poland. Some panels heated lively discussions, especially those concerned planned changes in archival law or archival methodology. The central theme of the Congress reflected panel “Poles in archives without frontiers” during which Polish archivist who succeed in foreign archives could present their institution, workflow and archival science in their countries. Panel organised by the Institute of National Remembrance brought closer problems with personal data protection in documents of former state security bodies. Participants could also gain an insight into problems of church and family archivists.

All papers presented in Kielce will be released in post-conference publication

- [The 15th National Congress of Delegates of the Association of Polish Archivists](#)

On 22 September 2017 the 15th National Congress of Delegates of the Association of Polish Archivists took place. 145 from 160 delegates attended the meeting and they elected 23 new representatives of the Main Board of Association and the new Presidium of the Main Board was constituted. Mr. Kazimierz Jaroszek was reelected as a President of the Association.

Ukraine

- On December 7, 2017 during the [International Conference Archives in the Modern World: Challenges and Tasks \(Архивы в современном мире: вызовы и задачи\)](#) at the headquarters of the National Academy of Public Administration under the President of Ukraine a cooperation agreement between the Association of Polish Archivists (Stowarzyszenie Archiwistów Polskich) and the Association of Archivists of Ukraine (Спілка архівістів України) was signed. The signatories were: from the Ukrainian side President of AAU Professor Mykoła Szczerbak, from the Polish side APA's Vice President Piotr Zawilski. The conference was also attended by APA's Treasurer Andrzej Jabłoński and a Member of the Main Board, Eugenia Szymczuk (<https://www.facebook.com/244358342712742/posts/333345893813986>).

U.S.A.

- [Society of American Archivists \(SAA\)](#):

In 2017 SAA's governing Council endorsed several important documents: ICA's *Principles of Access to Archives*, The *Basic Principles on the Role of Archivists and Records Managers in Support of Human Rights*, UNESCO's *Universal Declaration on Archives*, and *The History Relevance Value Statement* (historyrelevance.com). SAA's website is www.archivists.org.

- [The Academy of Certified Archivists](#)

ACA posts a link on its website to each new SPA newsletter so that its members can have easy access to it. Other associations looking at education and accreditation may benefit from seeing ACA's Role Delineation Statement and its 7 Knowledge Domains. <http://www.certifiedarchivists.org/get-certified/role-delineation-statement/>.

6 Reports from ICA Expert Groups

Highlights from the Human Rights Working Group

2017 has been both a good and a terrible year for the Human Rights Working Group (HRWG): we lost one of our most active members, Cristina Bianchi (1957-2017), while we were still mourning the loss of another most brilliant member, Sigrid McCausland (1953-2016). But during the past year we could also celebrate some important achievements, our membership is increasing (the HRWG currently counts members from 17 countries in North and South America, Africa and Europe) and we are full of projects for the future.

In 2017, first the Society of American Archivists (SAA), then the Latin American Archival Association (ALA) endorsed the *Basic Principles on the Role of Archivists and Records Managers in Support of Human Rights*, and other associations are currently considering their adoption. Maybe, not all of the SPA members remember that, in 2011, it was the SPA that suggested the HRWG to draft a set of principles on the role of archivists in the protection of human rights. The HRWG welcomed this suggestion and is still very grateful to the SPA for its encouragement to start this undertaking. After lengthy discussion and consultations within the ICA, drafting and redrafting, in 2016 the Program Commission endorsed the *Basic Principles* "as a working document" for discussion, publishing and use by archivists. We very much encourage archival associations to translate the *Basic Principles* in their own languages (they are currently available in English, French, Spanish, Chinese, Japanese, Portuguese, Korean and Serbian) and to adopt them. As HRWG, we are ready to cooperate with archival associations, if they want to organize seminars or other initiatives on the *Basic Principles*. Every month, the HRWG publishes a newsletter, written and compiled by Trudy Huskamp Peterson. Each issue is a trove a pieces of news that concern the intersections between records and archives and human rights. The newsletter is distributed through the ICA mailing list and is posted for free download on the ICA website in three languages (English, French and Spanish). We encourage archival associations to further circulate the newsletter among their members.

At the ICA Conference in Mexico, the HRWG organized a panel ("Principles and practices: everyday challenges and the Basic Principles on the Role of Archivists and Records Managers in Support of Human Rights") and a two-day workshop on "Human Rights and Archives in Latin America". A total of thirty archivists from sixteen different countries (from Europe, Asia, North, Central and South America) participated in the workshop.

We are particularly proud to inform SPA members that, for the first time ever, two members of the HRWG were admitted to give a snapshot presentation at the UN Forum on Business and Human Rights (Geneva, Switzerland, 27 November 2017). One of the main field of interest of the HRWG is

the role that business archives can provide for the protection of human rights. A HRWG's subgroup prepared a "Statement on business archives and human rights" that highlights how the *UN Principles on Business and Human Rights* (also known as "Ruggie Principles") cannot be enforced without archives.

HRWG members are participating in an expert group on "safe havens for archives at risk" organized by the NGO Swisspeace. The group is defining criteria for trustworthy safe havens, identifying standards that could be useful for save haven solutions, and discussing the establishment of a central information point for safe havens for archives at risk. War, political unrests, civil conflicts have always put archives at risk; moreover, currently climate change is creating dramatic risks for the archives of some small island states. As HRWG, we feel committed to contributing to the preservation of archives at risk.

The HRWG is currently committed also on other fronts, such as – for example – producing an academic model curriculum on "archives and human rights". We seek the collaboration of other ICA bodies and we will be happy to collaborate with archival associations who intend to promote, among their members, awareness on the relevance of public and private archives for the protection of human rights.

Giulia Barrera (HRWG Chair)