

REPORT OF THE IFLA CONFERENCE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Segments of a report presented to General Council on 10 August

Within the committee structure approved at the last General Council meeting the following subcommittee convenors have been appointed:

IFLA: Programme, Marianne Broadbent; Publications, Bill Linklater; Finance and Sponsorship, Alan Bunsell.

LAA/IFLA: Venues, Rob Brian; Accommodation, Frances Lemmes; Hospitality and Entertainment, Janette Parkinson; Trade Exhibit, Mike Middleton.

Conference Organiser

Following advertisements placed in national newspapers, B. Mitcheson, Alan Bunsell and Jenny Adams interviewed potential conference organisers in June. From this group, two organisers were selected for further consideration and following negotiations and checking, the IFLA and LAA Conference Executive Committees recommend that Dulcie Stretton Associates be appointed as organiser for both conferences.

Budget

Revision of the conference budget has been hampered by the late appointment of a conference organiser. Hopefully this can now proceed and Mrs Stretton has accepted this task as a priority.

Gordon Bower has agreed to approach ADAP and the Department of the Special Minister for State about government support at a

Federal level. This work is proceeding and it is not yet possible to indicate whether government support will be forthcoming and to what level.

Sponsorship from the private sector is similarly important and, with the appointment of the conference organiser, will receive increasing attention.

Programme

M. Broadbent has convened the Programme Subcommittee and developed the general structure of the programme to discuss with the IFLA Executive Board in Chicago in August. The theme is based on the Bicentennial theme of 'Living Together'. This provides an umbrella theme for both LAA and IFLA conferences and provides a link between them.

International Carrier

Following further negotiation with QANTAS and comparisons with other carriers the Conference Executive Committee has accepted QANTAS as the sole international carrier for the 1988 IFLA Conference. The Committee has not yet considered the question of a national carrier.

Bicentennial Authority

Formal application has now been made to the Bicentennial Authority for sponsorship. A response to this request has not yet been received.

B. Mitcheson
Chairman

IFLA Conference Executive Committee

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