

# Conference update

ALIA 2004  
challenging ideas

ALIA 2004 Biennial Conference, 21–24 September 2004,  
Gold Coast Convention and Exhibition Centre, Queensland

## Registration

Registration for the conference has now opened! Visit the website to register using the online form or download and print a brochure. Be sure to register and pay before the earlybird deadline of Monday 12 July 2004 to ensure you receive the reduced rate!

## Speakers

The ALIA 2004 program committee is pleased to announce that Barbara Lison will be a keynote speaker at the conference. Barbara will join with other prominent speakers (Martin Nakata, Glyn Davis and Bob Hayward), to provide an insight into her work within the European library environment.



Barbara Lison is the city librarian of the Free Hanseatic City of Bremen in the North of Germany with half a million inhabitants. She is responsible for a library system with nearly twenty different units. During the last few years Barbara's main professional issues were the modernisation of the Public Library of Bremen and the project for a new Central Library.

She has been very active in library policy and development on the level of the European Union (EU) having taken part in different EU-projects. She has also been engaged in the activities of German national and European professional library organisations. Over the past couple of years Barbara has been working for the Bertelsmann Foundation and the Goethe-Institute as an expert for library affairs.

## Library tours

Delegates have the choice of three tours of innovative and exciting

libraries on the Gold Coast and in Brisbane. Tour places are limited, so be sure to book early. Please purchase your tickets (details of costs online) when you register for the conference.

## Gold Coast Convention and Exhibition Centre

The ALIA 2004 Biennial Conference is proud to be amongst the first major events being held at the new Gold Coast Convention and Exhibition Centre (GCCEC). Opening in mid-2004, the GCCEC will convey a tropical resort atmosphere. Its contemporary architecture will feature extensive use of glass and native landscaping enhanced by mangrove boardwalks.

The centre features conference facilities for 10 to 6000 delegates, including a large exhibition space, tiered seating for plenary sessions and fifteen smaller meeting rooms; is adjacent to two major hotels and numerous serviced apartments; and is within walking distance of Conrad Jupiters casino and linked by a covered walkway. There is direct access to a major arterial road system and public transport, and the centre is twenty minutes drive from Coolangatta domestic airport and one hour from Brisbane's international and domestic airport. It is situated just three kilometres from Surfers Paradise, 500 metres from the beach, and is within walking distance of two major shopping centres.

Delegates will find the GCCEC well planned, modern and central — we look forward to seeing you there!

It is going to be a great event, so for further information please visit <http://conferences.alia.org.au/alia2004/>.

Tour	Itinerary
Gold Coast Library Tour – South 21 September, 12:30pm – 4:00pm	Nerang Branch Library, Bond University Library and the Southport School Library
Gold Coast Library Tour – North 21 September, 1:00pm – 4.30pm	Gold Coast Institute of TAFE Library, Southport Branch Library and Griffith University Library
Brisbane Library Tour 21 September, 9:00am – 5:00pm	Chermside Public Library, North Lakes Community Library, Queensland Parliamentary Library (including the O'Donovan Collection) and The University of Queensland Ipswich Library.

INFORMATION SOLUTIONS...

## AT YOUR COMMAND



### Trimagic Software

Australia's leading supplier of library automation and knowledge management solutions.

Trimagic are experts at helping you to manage your information.

Call us now to discuss your needs.

(02) 9880 8666

or visit our website at

[www.trimagic.com.au](http://www.trimagic.com.au)

GSAS & GITC approved

## Libraries Alive

Library and information services consultancy. Fresh, pragmatic, effective. Tactical planning, technology management, service improvement. Proving library value. Information? Please contact Sherrey Quinn or Ian McCallum on (02) 6257 9177

[www.librariesalive.com.au](http://www.librariesalive.com.au)