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Calendar of Meetings 1987

This Calendar tries to list the meetings (and some courses) of the entire year which have a direct or an indirect bearing on the organization of knowledge, classification and indexing.

- Jan.4-8: Honolulu, HI - Third International Conference on Thinking. Contact: Social Science Research Institute, University of Hawaii, Honolulu, HI, 96822, USA.
- Jan.5-10: Mysore, India - Indo-Canadian Colloquium on "Information, Signs and Meaning: The Challenge of Commonsense Knowledge Representation in Artificial Intelligence". Contact: Central Institute of Indian Languages, Mysore 570 006, India.
- Jan.5-25: Delhi, India - Advanced Institute in Language Planning. Contact: Dr.Udaya Narayana Singh, Dept. of Linguistics, University of Delhi, Delhi 110 007.
- Jan.16: London, GB - Silver Jubilee Conference of The City University Department of Information Science. Contact: ept.of Inform.Sci.(GG). The City University, Northampton Square, London EC1V 0HB, GB.
- Jan.30: Regensburg, FRG - Fortbildungsveranstaltung der SIG-BK (Spezielle Interessengruppe Bibliotheksklassifikation der Ges.f.Klassifikation) (zum Thema OPACS und RSWK). Contact: Dr.H.Schnelling, Bibliothek der Universität Konstanz, PF 5560, D-7750 Konstanz.
- Febr.1-6: Newport Beach, CA - Medical Imaging and Int.Symp.on Pattern Recognition and Acoustical Imaging. Contact: Soc.of Photo-Optical Instrumentation Engineers, P.O.Box 10, Bellingham, WA 98227-0010, USA.
- Febr.5: London, GB - 260th CRG-Meeting (Classification Research Group). University College London, School of Library, Archive and Information Studies.
- Febr.13-14: Darmstadt, FRG - Begriffsanalyse und Methodenfragen in der Psychologie. Contact: Prof. Dr.R.Wille, TH Darmstadt, FB Mathematik, Schloßgartenstr.7, D-6100 Darmstadt.
- Mar.4-6: Bonn, FRG - Jahrestagung der Gesellschaft für Linguistische Datenverarbeitung. Contact: Dr.G. Willee, Institut für Kommunikationsforschung und Phonetik (IKP), Poppelsdorfer Allee 47, D-5300 Bonn.
- Mar.18-20: Brighton, GB - Aslib 59th Annual Conf.: The Adoptive Information Manager. Contact: Aslib. Information House, 26-27 Boswell Street, London WC1N 3JZ, GB.
- Mar.23-26: Heidelberg, FRG - 4.Konferenz über die wissenschaftliche Anwendung von Statistik-Software. Contact: ZUMA (Zentrum für Umfragen, Methoden und Analysen), Postfach 5869, D-6800 Mannheim.
- Mar.26-27: Cambridge, GB - Meaning: The Frontier of Informatics. Sponsor: Association for Information Management (ASLIB). Contact: Bryan Denyer, ASLIB, Information House, 26/27 Boswell Street, London WC1N 3JZ, UK.
- Mar.26-27: Darmstadt, FRG - Einführungskurs zur formalen Begriffsanalyse Contact: Prof.Dr.R.Wille, Fachbereich Mathematik der TH Darmstadt, Schloßgartenstr.7, D-6100 Darmstadt.
- Apr.1-3: Copenhagen, DK - Third Conference of the European Chapter of the Assoc.for Computational Linguistics. Contact: Bente Maegaard, Kobenhavns Universitet. Inst.f.Anwendt og Matematisk Lingvistik, Njalsgade 96, DK-2300 Kobenhavn S., Denmark.
- Apr.1-3: Darmstadt, FRG - Datenbanken in Büro, Technik und Wissenschaft. Contact: Prof.Dr.H.-J.Schek, TH Darmstadt, FB Informatik, Karolinenplatz 5, D-6100 Darmstadt.
- Apr.5-10: Harpenden, Herts. - Classification in Geology. Joint Meeting of the Geological Information Group (London). Contact: Dr.J.Gower. Rothamsted Experimental Station, Harpenden, Herts. AL5 2JQ, UK.
- Apr.8-10: New Orleans, USA - Third Workshop on the Mathematical Foundation of Programming Semantics. Contact: M.Mislove, Tulane University, Mathematics Dept., New Orleans, LA 70118, USA.
- Apr.9-12: Columbia, SC - Eighth International Conf.on Computers and the Humanities (ICCH 1987). Contact: Prof.R.L.Oakman, University of South Carolina. Dept.of Computer Sci., Columbia, SC 29208, USA.
- Apr.27-30: Münster, FRG - Arbeitstagung über Semiotische Theorie im späten Mittelalter und der Renaissance. Contact: Klaus Dutz, Universität Münster. Inst.f. Allg.Sprachwiss., Bispinghof 17, D-4400 Münster.
- Apr.30: London, GB - 261st CRG-Meeting, University College London, School of Library, Archive and Information Studies.
- May 11-15: Ispra, IT - Advanced Seminar on Structural Reliability. Contact: Ispra Courses, Centro Comune di Ricerca, I-21020 Ispra (Varese), Italy.
- May 17-20: Cincinnati, OH - ASIS Mid-Year Meeting on Laser Optical Disk and Video-Based Information Systems. Contact: Program Co-Chairman George L.Abbott, 311 Stonecrest Drive, Syracuse, NY 13214, USA.
- May 18-20: Lausanne, CH - 19ièmes Journees de Statistique. Co-organisées par la Soc.Francophone de Classification. Contact: M.Lejeune, Université de Lausanne - BC, CH-1015 Lausanne.
- May 18-22: Frankfurt, FRG - Der Thesaurus als Instrument der Inhaltserschließung. Einführungseminar. Contact: Lehrinstitut für Dokumentation, Westendstr.19, D-6000 Frankfurt 1.
- May 20: Wien - Second TermNet Assembly: Workshop on the Universal Availability of Terminological Information. Contact: Infoterm. Österr.Normungsinst., Postfach 130, A-1021 Wien.
- May 25-29: Parkville - Fourth International Conference on Logic Programming. Contact: John Lloyd. University of Melbourne. Dept. of Computer Science. Parvielle, Victoria, 3052, Australia.
- June 2-4: London, GB - Third International Expert Systems Conference and Exhibition. Contact: Learned Information Ltd., Woodside, Hinksey Hill, Oxford, OX1 5AU, UK.
- June 3-5: New Orleans, USA - 10th Annual International Conference on Research and Development in Information Retrieval. Contact: D.H. Kraft. Louisiana State University. Dept.of Computer Science, Baton Rouge, LA 70803, USA.

- June 9-13: Augsburg - 77.Deutscher Bibliothekartag. Contact: Hessische Landes- u.Hochschulbibliothek, Schloß. D-6100 Darmstadt.
- June 16-17: Montréal - 18th Annual Meeting, Classification Society of North America. Contact: P.Legendre, Université de Montréal, Dept.de Sciences Biologiques, C.P.6128, Succursale A, Montréal, Quebec, H3C 3J7, Canada.
- June 21-23: Karlsruhe, FRG - International Workshop on Data Analysis, Decision Support and Expert Knowledge Representation in Marketing and Related Areas of Research. Contact: Prof. Dr.W.Gaul, Universität Karlsruhe. Inst.f.Entscheidungstheorie u.Unternehmensforsch. PF 6980, D-7500 Karlsruhe 1.
- June 24-26: Enschede, NL - Fifth European Meeting of the Psychometric Society. Contact: Prof.Dr.W.J.van der Linden. Twente University of Technology, P.O.Box 217, NL-7500 AE Enschede, Netherlands.
- June 24-26: Graz - 5.Österreichischer Dokumentationsstag 1987: Information und Dokumentation am Arbeitsplatz. Contact: AIT-Angew. Informationstechnik, Hans-Sachs-Gasse 14/3, A-8010 Graz.
- June 29-July 1: Aachen, FRG - First Conference of the International Federation of Classification Societies (IFCS) on "Classification and Related Methods of Data Analysis." Contact: Prof.Dr.H.H. Bock, RWTH Aachen, Inst.f.Statistik u.Wirtschaftsmathematik, Willnerstr. 3, D-5100 Aachen.
- June 29 - July 1: Aachen, FRG - 11.Jahrestagung der Gesellschaft für Klassifikation. "Wissensorganisation im Wandel". Contact: Prof.Dr.H.H.Bock und Geschäftsstelle d.Ges.f.Klassif., Woogstr. 36a, D-6000 Frankfurt 50.
- June 29 - Aug.7: Stanford, CA - 54th Linguistic Institute. "Contextual and Computational Dimensions of Language". Contact: Stanford University. Dept.of Linguistics, Stanford, CA, 94305, USA.
- July 2: London, GB - 262nd CRG Meeting. University College London. School of Library, Archive and Information Studies.
- July 6-9: Stanford, CA - 25th Annual Meeting of the Assoc.for Computational Linguistics. Contact: Prof. D.Walker, Bell Communications Research, 445 South Street, MRE 2A379, Morristown, NJ 07960, USA.
- July 10-12: Chester College - "Indexing for the Future". The Society of Indexers. Contact: Mrs.Connie Tyler, Hillcroft. Kettle Lane, Audlem, Cheshire CW3 0DR, U.K.
- July 11-13: Montgomery, Ala. - International Conference on Data Bases in the Humanities and Social Sciences. Contact: Dr.L.J.McCrank, Dean, AUM Library & Resource Center, Auburn University, Montgomery, AL 36193-0401, USA.
- July 13-17: Seattle - AAAI 87 (Amer.Assoc.for Artificial Intelligence) Contact: 445 Burgess Drive, Menlo Park, CA 94025, USA.
- July 13-17: Karlsruhe - Fourteenth International Colloquium on Automata, Languages and Programming. (ICALP 87). Contact: Universität Karlsruhe. Institut für Angewandte Informatik und Formale Beschreibungsverfahren. Postfach 6980, D-7500 Karlsruhe.
- July 16-18: Seattle, WA - Ninth Annual Conference of the Cognitive Science Society. Contact: Earl Hunt, University of Washington, Dept.of Psychology, NI-25, Seattle, WA 98195, USA.
- July 24-31: Berlin, FRG - Internationaler Botanikerkongress mit Symposium on Theory and Practice of Botanical Classification, Cladistics, Phenetics and Classifical Approaches. Contact: Kongreßorganisation, Augsburgerstr. 27, D-1000 Berlin 30; Prof.Dr.U. Jensen. Universität Bayreuth, Lehrstuhl f. Pflanzenökologie und Systematik, Postfach 3008, D-8580 Bayreuth.
- Aug.10-15: Berlin (DDR) - XIV Internationaler Linguistenkongreß. Contact: Akademie der Wissenschaften, PF Linguistenkongreß, Otto-Nuschke-Str. 22/23, DDR-1086 Berlin.
- Aug.16-21: Sydney - AILA Congress (Assoc.Int.de Linguistique Appliquee). Contact: GAL-Sekretariat. Universität Trier. PF 3825, D-5500 Trier.
- Aug.17-22: Brighton, GB - 53rd IFLA Council and General Conference: "Library and Information Services in an Evolving World". Contact: IFLA, P.O.Box 95312, NL-2509 CH The Hague.
- Aug.23-28: Milano, IT - 10th International Joint Conference on Artificial Intelligence (IJCAI 87). Contact: A.Bundy, Dept.of Artificial Intelligence, University of Edinburgh, 80 South Bridge, Edinburgh EH1 1HN, UK.
- Aug.24-28: Diepenbeek - First International Conference on Bibliometrics and Theoretical Aspects of Information Retrieval. Contact: L.U.C., Algemeen Secretariat, Int.Conference, Universitaire Campus, B-3610 Diepenbeek, Belgien.
- Aug.25-30: Thessaloniki, GR - Bernoulli Society, European Meeting of Statisticians. Contact: S.Kounias, University of Thessaloniki, Dept.of Mathematics. Thessaloniki, Greece.
- Sept.15-17: Frankfurt - Theorie und Praxis des Indexierens. Contact: Lehrinstitut für Dokumentation in der Dt.Ges.f.Dokumentation e.V., Westendstr. 19, D-6000 Frankfurt 1.
- Sept.23-25: Bad Dürkheim - Deutscher Dokumentartag. Contact: Deutsche Gesellschaft für Dokumentation e.V., Westendstr.19, D-6000 Frankfurt 1.
- Sept.29 - Oct.1: Trier, FRG - International Congress on Terminology and Knowledge Engineering. Contact: Prof.Dr.Dr.Hans Czap, Universität Trier, Postfach 3825, D-5500 Trier.
- Sept.29 - Oct.2: Versailles, FR - 5th International Symposium on Data Analysis and Informatics. Contact: INRIA. Services des Relations Exter.,Bureau des Colloques, Domaine de Voluceau, BP 105, F-78153 Le Chesnay, CEDEX, France.
- Oct.4-9: Boston, MA - 50th Anniversary Conference. Amer.Soc. Inform.Sci., Theme: The Transformation of Society. Contact: ASIS, 1424 Sixteenth Street, NW, Washington, DC 20036, USA.
- Oct.5-10: Capri, IT - Methods for Multidimensional Data Analysis. A European Course in Advanced Statistics. Contact: Org. Committee, Dipt.di Matematica e Statistica, Via Partenope, 36, I-80121 Napoli, Italy.
- Oct.15-18: Pensacola - 12th Annual Meeting of the Semiotic Society of America. Contact: Semiotic Society Secretariat, P.O.B.10, Bloomington, IN 47402, USA.
- Oct.16-17: Darmstadt, FRG - Begriffsanalyse und Linguistik. Tagung im Rahmen der Speziellen Interessengruppe Begriffsanalyse der Gesellschaft für Klassifikation.

- tion. Contact: Prof.Dr.R.Wille, TH Darmstadt, FB Mathematik, Schloßgartenstr. 7, D-6100 Darmstadt.
- Oct.22: London, GB - 263rd CRG-Meeting, University College London. School of Library, Archive and Information Studies.
- Oct.22-23: Köln, FRG - Dezimalklassifikation. Sonderseminar. Contact: DIN. Deutsches Institut für Normung e.V., Lehrgangsleitung, PF 1107, D-1000 Berlin 30.
- Nov.11-13: Yokohama - International Conference on Information and Knowledge. Contact: Prof.Shizuo Fujiwara. Kanagawa University. Research Institute for Information and Knowledge, 3-27-1 Rokkakubashi, Kanagawa-ku, Yokohama 221, Japan.
- Dec.6-8: Ghent - Communication and Cognition. Applied Epistemology. XXth Anniversary Communication and Cognition. Contact: C&C, Blandijnberg 2, R.U.G., B-9000 Ghent.
- Dec.6-9: Pittsburgh - Eighth International Conference on Information Systems. Contact: William R.King. University of Pittsburgh, Graduate School of Business. Pittsburgh, PA 14260, USA.
- Dec.10: London, GB - 264th CRG-Meeting, University College London. School of Library, Archive and Information Studies.

New FID/CR Report

A new report describing the developments in classification and indexing in Poland from 1974-1986 was submitted by Ms.Lucyna Anna BIELICKA (cooperators Messrs.Janusz PACIEJEWSKI and Eugeniusz SCIBOR) for publication in the FID/CR Report Series. For some reasons it was decided not to publish the report separately, but include it in two parts in International Classification, namely in issues 87-1 and 87-2. We should like to ask for your attention: this report describes an admirable research work accomplished and going on in our field in Poland!

Changes in the FID Council

The 1986 General Assembly meeting of the Federation Internationale de Documentation in Montreal in September elected the following officers: Vice President: Prof.A. I.MIKHAILOV, Director, VINITI, USSR; Treasurer: Prof.P.CANISIUS, Director, Bundesanstalt für Strassenwesen, FRG; Councillors: Ms.M.Rodrigues HERMES DE ARAUJO, Deputy Director, IBICT, Brazil; Mr.Remy OGWANG-AMENY, Head, Uganda National Documentation Centre, Uganda; Dr.J.R.P.ALVAREZ-OSSORIO, Inst.de Inform.y Doc.en Ciencia y Tecnologia, Spain; Dr.W.L.RENAUD, Acting Manager, NOBIN, Netherlands; Mr.M.RISTIC, Yugoslav Center for Technical and Scientific Documentation, Yugoslavia; Mr.E.V.SMITH, Director, CISTI, Canada; Mr.M.THOMAS, Inspecteur General Honoraire des Bibliothèques, France.

Continuing in office are: President: Mr.M.W.HILL, Associate Director, The British Library Science, Technology and Industry, U.K.; Vice Presidents: Prof.S. FUJIWARA, Kanagawa University, Japan; Mr.Muazu H. WALI, Director, National Library of Nigeria. Councillors: Dr.T.FÖLDI, Head, Economic Information Unit, Hungarian Academy of Sciences, Hungary; Mr.E.JIRSA, Deputy Director General, UVTEI, Czechoslovakia; Mrs.R. LAUNO, Manager, Library and Information Service,

ALKO Ltd., Finland; Dr.J.ARIAS ORDONEZ, Chief, Division Recursos Bibliograficos, ICFES, Colombia; Mr.T.S.RAJAGOPALAN, Scientist in Charge, INSDOC, India. - Prof. J.E.HUMBLET was appointed Belgian Member for the two-year period 1987-1988.

UDC Computerization Working Party Appointed

FID has recently appointed a Computerization Working Party for the Universal Decimal Classification. The objective of this Working Party is to establish a UDC file, making use of already available machine-readable data, to facilitate the revision, publication and computerized application of the UDC.

The members of the Working Party are: Mr.B.D.RODEN, Information Services, British Standards Institution, U.K.; Mr.Peter MEINK, Referat Klassifikationssysteme, Deutsches Institut für Normung, FRG; Mr.A.CANONNE, Centre de Lecture Publique de la Communaute Francaise, Belgium; Dr.H.JOBST, Kammer für Arbeiter und Angestellte für Wien, Austria; Dr.T.FÖLDI, Economic Information Unit, Hungarian Academy of Sciences, Hungary. The Working Party is chaired by Dr.W.ZWIRNER, Fachinformationszentrum Energie, Physik, Mathematik GmbH, Kernforschungszentrum, D-7514 Eggenstein-Leopoldshaf.

The first meeting was held in Berlin, August 1986 and concentrated on the development of an experimental file for a machine-readable version of the Universal Decimal Classification.

Willem de Regt †

The chairman of the Central Classification Committee (FID/CCC) of the UDC, Willem DE REGT, died on Dec.20, 1986. He had been the director of the documentation services of the Netherlands Ministry of Education and Science. He was a member, secretary and later on also the vice-chairman of the UDC Revision Committee C3 (Social Sciences).

UDC Management Board

On Dec.8, 1986 a constituting meeting of this new Board - replacing the former FID/CCC - took place at The Hague. Its members are: The Classification Director of the FID General Secretariat, an FID Council Member, the Chairmen of the Coordination Committees of the UDC and some selected experts. Prof.Dr.A.B.Frielink was elected chairman.

The major tasks of this Board will be: system development, revision strategy and planning, responsibility for all contracts in connection with a publication of the UDC, public relations, computerization and finally financing and planning of finances.

The first meeting of this UDC Management Board has been planned for March 1987.

Extensions and Corrections to the UDC. Series 13

From a Press Release of the FID General Secretariat: All authorized changes and additions to the UDC are first published in the annual EXTENSIONS AND CORRECTIONS TO THE UDC. By subscribing to this publication, users of the UDC can keep their own systems and UDC editions completely up-to-date, and so benefit without delay from the results of FID's continuous programme of UDC revision. EXTENSIONS AND CORRECTIONS TO THE UDC (FID-248, ISSN 0014-5424) is published in

triennial series. Each annual issue contains all proposals accepted during the past year, and also cumulates previous issues in the same series. Series 12, No.3 has been published in 1986, priced 195 Dutch guilders. This cumulates the changes and additions which appeared in Series 12, No.1 published in 1984 and Series 12, No.2 published in 1985 with the proposals accepted during 1985. Series 13, Nos.1, 2 and 3 will be published in 1987, 1988 and 1989.

FR Germany: First IFCS Conference and Annual Conference of Gesellschaft für Klassifikation, Aachen 1987

The First Conference of the International Federation of Classification Societies will take place from June 29 to July 1, 1987 in Aachen together with the 11th Annual Conference of the German Society for Classification. Members of the Federation and Gesellschaft will pay the same fee of DM 90.- (later DM 120.-) for both events; this includes the conference volume of their choice (either of the international or of the national conference). The national conference is being integrated into the international one; for the latter some 230 proposals for papers have been submitted. The program for both events will be available from Prof.Dr.H.H.BOCK, Institut für Statistik und Wirtschaftsmathematik, Technical University Aachen, Wuellnerstr. 3, D-5100 Aachen.

The sessions (including the integrated ones) of the 11th Annual Conference are the following:

Monday, June 29, Morning Plenary Session. (Chair: H.H.BOCK)

R.R.SOKAL: Unsolved problems in numerical taxonomy

Morning Parallel Session: "Data Bases and Classification". (Chair: E.BACKER)

R.PANKHURST: Taxonomic biology seen as a database. - R.ALLKIN; H.J.WHITE: Data management models for biological classification. - D.J.GOYDER, J.MACKENZIE, P.A.BISBY, M.N.DADD: An online plant catalogue: A pilot scheme for vetches and peas. - P.GEBHARDT: Prospects for expert systems to analyse election data.

Monday Afternoon, June 29 and Tuesday morning: "UDC Workshop". (Chair: H.J.HERMES). (Program to follow).

Tuesday, June 30, Morning Parallel Session: "Expert Systems and Classification". (Chair: R.SCHADER)

E.BACKER: CLUSAN 1: A knowledge base for cluster analysis. - E.S.GELSEMA: From data to knowledge. - J.PANYR: Automatic knowledge extraction in systems with formal intelligence (expert systems): Applicability of automatic classification methods. - W.CHOLEWA: Bilateral fuzzy implication.

Tuesday, June 30, Afternoon Session "Wissensorganisation I". (Chair: I.DAHLBERG)

H.P.OHLY: Sozialwissenschaftliche Theorien als Gegenstand systematischer Dokumentation. - M.HERFURTH: Die Notation soziologischen Wissens - Ein Beitrag zur Architektur sozialwissenschaftlicher Wissensbasen. - U. KIPKE: Formale Begriffsanalyse der Wortfelder "Gewässer" und "Water".

„Wissensorganisation II". (Chair: H.SCHNELLING)

G.HARTWIEG: Verbundkatalogisierung für den online-Zugriff.

- W.GÖDERT: Syntax von Dokumentationssprachen im online-Katalog. - G.KÖNIG: Klassifikation und Thesaurus in Mathematik und Informatikdidaktik.

Wednesday, July 1, Morning Session "Waren- und Produktklassifikation. I." (Chair: H.BROCKMEYER)

H.GASTHUBER: Methodische Aspekte der Gestaltung von benutzerorientierten Produktinformationssystemen. - H.HÖLZL: Warenklassifikation als Mittel der Input-Output-Analyse. - O.AHLHAUS: Bedeutung der Klassifikation für das Produkt-, Qualitäts- und Verpackungswesen.

"Waren- und Produktklassifikation. II." (Chair: H.GASTHUBER)

M.DOMOKOS: Logical control of statistical nomenclatures. - J.PRETZSCH: Der OPAC des Deutschen Patentamtes und seine sachlichen Zugriffsmöglichkeiten. - A.GEIS: Entwicklung von Diktionären. Zum Beispiel maschinelle Branchenvercodung.

Wednesday, July 1, Afternoon Parallel Session "Classification for Retrieval". (Chair: D.WISHART)

G.SALTON: On the use of hierarchical classification systems in information retrieval. - O.FRANK: Designing classifiers for partial information retrieval. - J.E.CORTEN: Application of information clustering to structure knowledge bases. - Ch.SCHWARZ: THESYS: Thesaurus Syntax System. A fully automatic thesaurus building aid. - G. PARNICZKY: Descriptor language for statistical nomenclatures.

Concluding Plenary Session:

H.NIEMANN: Classification: New Challenges of an old problem.

Report on the 1986 Cataloguing and Classification Seminar/ Workshop, Ibadan, Nigeria

The 1986 Annual Seminar/Workshop organised by the Cataloguing and Classification Section of the Nigerian Library Association was held at the Conference Centre, University of Ibadan, from July 9 to 11, 1986.

1. Opening Ceremony

The opening ceremony was presided over by Mr.J.O. Dipeolu, University Librarian, University of Ife. In his opening speech, the Chairman praised the relentless efforts of cataloguers in seeing to the proper organization of library materials. He enjoined the Cataloguing and Classification Section to keep up the good work and the tradition for continuing education already established by the Section. Also present at the opening ceremony and seated at the honoured table were the Acting University Librarian of the University of Ibadan, Mr.F.O.Aramide who gave a warm welcome address; and Mr. M.H.Wali, the Director, National Library of Nigeria, who was a special guest of honour. Mr.Wali, in his good will address, acknowledged the efforts of the Section since 1966, towards standardizing the practice of cataloguing and classification in Nigeria; he praised the able leadership of the Chairperson, and pledged his continued support for the Section in his double capacity as the Director, National Library and Vice-President of FID. Mr.Wali is particularly interested in the establishment of a Sub-Committee on UDC in Nigeria which will, among other related activities, pro-

mote the use of the UDC scheme in Nigeria. Before concluding his speech, he promised to provide assistance for research and training workshops on the application of the UDC scheme in Nigerian libraries.

Prominent among the important personalities on the high table, was the President of the Nigerian Library Association, Mr.J.A.Dosunmu, who, in his brief address, described the Cataloguing and Classification Section as the most cherished baby of the NLA. Mr.Dosunmu stressed the point that the efforts of the Section for the past twelve years, have helped in raising the status of Nigerian librarians internationally. The role of the Section in making it possible to train and retrain librarians in the use of international standards from time to time, has endeared the Section to the hearts of librarians in Nigeria and outside Nigeria.

After another welcome address by the Chairman of the Oyo State Division of the NLA, Mr.M.O.Afolabi, the Commissioner for Information, Social Development, Youths, Sports and Culture, Oyo State, Alhaju Bola Adedaja, performed the official opening of the seminar. In a stimulating address, the commissioner expressed his delight in the theme of the seminar/workshop. He noted particularly the value to research of the knowledge in the use of the library catalogues, the need for cooperation among libraries, the unique position occupied by libraries in the developmental goals of a nation, and urged librarians in Nigeria to find lasting solutions to the problems in the classification schemes, solutions, which can be exported to other African countries.

Other important personalities seated at the high table were Prof. (Mrs.)F.A.Ogunsheye, Prof.(Mrs.)B.O.Aboyade, Head of the Dept.of Library Studies and Mr.E.B.Bankole, retired University of Lagos Librarian, who is now the Managing Director of Liberi-Service, Ltd.

At the end of the impressive ceremony, the Chairperson of the Section, Mrs.B.S.Bankole gave a pleasant and delightful vote of thanks to the special guest on the high table, to members of the NLA Council, who broke up their meeting to attend the opening ceremony, to members of the planning committee and to all the participants.

2. Theme

The theme of this year's conference is the consideration of "Problems with the application of the major classification schemes used in Nigerian Libraries". The major schemes discussed are the Library of Congress Classification, the Dewey Decimal Classification, the Universal Decimal Classification and Moy's Classification scheme for Law. Since these schemes have been found to be inadequate in classifying Africana materials, some major libraries have made adaptations to the schemes. These adaptations were examined and discussed. Since the period of three days was not enough to do justice to all the various adaptations, the participants resolved to continue the work of collating and synthesizing all the adaptations for adoption in all the Nigerian libraries nationwide, through sub-committees.

3. Registered Participants

A total of seventy-three (73) librarians from different libraries all over Nigeria, registered for the seminar/workshop. These were librarians from university and college libraries, special and research libraries and from government and public libraries throughout the country.

4. Papers presented

Papers presented during the seminar/workshop include a very stimulating and an indepth study of the problems and prospects of classification of Africana, by a veteran cataloguer, Mr.N.Amankwe, Deputy University Librarian, University of Nigeria, Nsukka. This was presented as a keynote paper entitled "Classification of Africana: problems and prospects". This paper discussed the problems encountered with the use of all the major schemes, mentioned above, and blamed the negative attitude of our young professionals to cataloguing and classification, on the method of teaching in the library schools, which is devoid of intellectual stimulant, required for the development of keen interest in cataloguing and classification. It traces the history and the development of the major classification schemes, points at their weakness and strength and suggests concrete approaches to, and alternative in the modification of the weak areas.

Other papers presented were:

- "The Universal Decimal Classification and its use in Nigeria" by Miss M.Greaves, Department of Library Studies, University of Ibadan.
- "...Problems with the application of DDC and LCC to agricultural and veterinary medicine materials" by Mr.Kingsley F.Okocha, National Root Crops Research Institute Umudike, Umuahia, Imo State; Mr.Olukayode Okanlawon, Veterinary Medical Library, ABU, Zaria; and Mr.G.O. Ibekwe, International Institute of Tropical Agriculture, Ibadan.
- "The classification of African materials in social sciences and education by the Library of Congress Classification; problems and solutions made so far" by Mrs.A.Faniran, University of Ibadan, Law Library.
- "The use, problems and prospects of adaptation of the Library of Congress Classification Scheme in Nigerian Libraries: the experience of the Ahmadu Bello University Library with the treatment of ethnography in class GN", by Mr.John A.Abu, Kashin Ibrahim Library, ABU, Zaria.
- The use of Moys Classification Scheme for law materials in Nigeria" by Mrs.Oluremi Jegede, Institute Librarian, Nigerian Institute of Advanced Legal Studies, Lagos.

All the papers were stimulating and interesting; they generated informative and fruitful discussions.

5. Working Committees

During the seminar/workshop, working committees were set up on each of the four classification schemes. Each committee is to examine, study and collate all the adaptations already made by different libraries to its classification scheme. For example, the Working Committee on Library of Congress Classification will collate all the adaptations in use in different libraries, study them, amend them if necessary, and prepare them for adoption by libraries in Nigeria.

6. Resolutions

Three resolutions were passed at the end of the seminar/workshop. These are:

- 1) That in view of the fact that many adaptations and modifications are made to the major classification schemes used in Nigerian libraries, the NLA, Cataloguing and Classification Section should set up sub-committees that will look into these modifications and work towards their adoption nation-wide.
- 2) That the National Library of Nigeria should acquire the latest editions of the major classification schemes used in Nigerian libraries and make them available for purchase by interested libraries.
- 3) That in view of the fact that UDC users are few and scattered all over the country, the NLA Cataloguing and Classification Section should support the sub-committee on UDC and others by making funds available for the smooth running of the work of the committees.

7. Special Report on the discussions on UDC

The discussion on UDC is very remarkable because, apart from the fact that an examination of the UDC scheme featured for the first time in our annual seminar/workshops since 1980, the discussion this year revealed many facts about the use of UDC in Nigeria, which were hitherto not known. For example, while it was reported in Monica Greaves' paper that sixteen libraries use the UDC, it was further discovered during the committee meeting that at least twenty-one (21) libraries use the scheme. During the meeting of the sub-committee on UDC, set up during the Workshop, members present discussed certain problems peculiar to UDC users. These problems include:

- 1) The lack of training courses for UDC users.
- 2) Difficulties in getting copies of the schedules.
- 3) High cost of the schedules and the problems of foreign exchange needed for the purchase.
- 4) Lack of communication among the users of UDC in Nigeria.

It was unanimously resolved during the meeting of the sub-committee on UDC to request for assistance from FID through its Vice-President for the African Region, Mr.M. H.Wali. This help may be in the form of:

- 1) making copies of the different editions of the UDC scheme available for purchase in Nigeria.
- 2) Financial assistance for the promotion of the work of the committee.

It is hoped that the work of the committee will embrace a thorough study and examination of the application of the UDC schedule to African materials or to specific African and local subjects. It was discovered during discussions that problems with the use of UDC in Nigeria are in the areas needing revision, and difficulties of numbers changing in the new editions; more so, when the new editions are difficult to obtain. We hope that, in fulfilment of the promise made by the Vice-President of FID in his special address, the Sub-Committee on UDC will be assisted in carrying out the functions listed in the address.

I take this opportunity to express our gratitude to the Directorate of the National Library for its continued support for the Section and for allowing me and the Secretary to fulfil our responsibilities to the Section. I assure the Director that this opportunity, like a double-edged sword, is not only fostering the objectives of the Section, but is also enhancing our usefulness to the services of the National Library of Nigeria.

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U.K CRG 259

The 259th meeting of the Classification Research Group was held on December 11, 1986 at University College London with eleven members present. Mr. BONNER introduced the principal features of his Classification of phenomenon-based classes. He examined the origin of the term "phenomenon" and drew the meeting's attention to an exhaustive list of levels (of complexity) placing disciplines in relation to phenomena in the universe of knowledge. He next considered various defini-

tions of "discipline" and showed how he had arrived at a classification of types of discipline. The following ones of this typology were discussed at the meeting: Pure disciplines, megadisciplines (rational and non-rational), descriptive and explanatory disciplines, prescriptive, impure disciplines, subdisciplines, fields of knowledge and finally problem based and mission based disciplines. Mr.Bonner stated that the problem with phenomenon-based classes was that they could not be logically subordinated to a discipline class. The discussion on Mr.Bonner's Classification of phenomena will be continued at the next meeting.

U.K.: CRG 260

The 260th meeting was held at University College London on Febr.5, 1987 with nine members present. Mr.BONNER outlined the thinking behind the principles that evolved as the basis of his thesis. These principles and rules were those which he thought particularly relevant to the classification of classes outside the context of disciplines, (e.g. that phenomena which depend for their existence and/or behaviour on other phenomena, should file after these other phenomena; or, that concepts required to define other concepts should file before the other concepts; or, that parts, processes actions, attributes, faculties and products should be subordinated to the wholes or systems of which they are, by definition, a part or else originate from it). To these 15 principles and rules, summarized on four pages and extended by a page with six types of facets arranged in filing order, a classification of phenomenon-based classes was added with an illustrated outline of three pages. Most of the rules and the outline were discussed during the meeting.

Classification and Indexing Research Current Bibliography of Projects

Our interested readers are kindly requested to send us information on their own research projects, if applicable, for publication in this service.

Our source of the following project descriptions was "Current Research in Library and Information Science", published by The Library Association (U.K.). For reasons of space we had to shorten the abstracts. The class numbers on the right are taken from the Classification Literature Classification (CLC).

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CL 323

Study of the feasibility of indexing a work's subjective viewpoint. Research workers: Wilson, P.G., Fujimoto, J.D. Address: University of California. School of Library and Information Studies, Berkeley, CA, 94720, USA. Duration: 1983-1986.

The study develops a three stage definition of "viewpoint" which clarifies the difficulties involved in indexing it and offers solutions. It emphasizes viewpoint as an important aspect of the subject matter. It demonstrates how a change in indexer focus from topical content inventory to the problem situation addressed in the text makes a practical recognition of viewpoint feasible and consistent with a librarian's ethics. This change carries implications for the entire indexing process with results that should be beneficial for the indexer and especially for the researcher. Source: Curr.Res. 4(1986)No.4.

242 CL44.6-985
Reorganization of the "Islamic philosophy" in the Library of Congress Classification.
Research worker: Fani, K. Address: National Library of Iran; Department of Library Research, Tehran, Iran. Duration: 1983-1985. Source: Curr. Res. 4(1986)No.4.

243 CL483
UN Thesaurus Project; indexing vocabulary.
Research worker: Walker, Celine. Address: ACCIS (Advisory Committee for the Co-ordination of Information Systems) Secretariat, UN, New York. Duration: 1984-1987.
The Information Systems Unit and the Dag Hammarskjöld Library were requested in 1984 to produce a common United Nations Thesaurus within the framework of the ACCIS work programme. Steps are being taken to ensure the highest possible compatibility with the major indexing vocabularies used throughout the UN system. A Draft UN Thesaurus is anticipated for June 1989. Source: Curr.Res. 4(1986)No.4.

244 CL489
Revised edition of Classification for Children- and Youth-Libraries.
Research workers: Summa, Bianca; Schmitt, Rita, Address: Deutsches Bibliotheksinstitut (DBI), Bundesallee 184-185, D-1000 Berlin. Duration: 1984-1985.
Revision and extension of the Classification System as well as construction of a thesaurus (for the technical literature) and a subject guide (for belles-lettres). The latter should help to analyse the contents of the media in accordance with the specific user group, in order to fulfil the changed queries of young readers. Source: Curr.Res. 4(1986)No.4.

245 CL657
Development of a documentary language for the subject "Labour market and job situation" as part of an integrated data bank "Social and Work Sciences".
Research workers: Cyprian, R.; Oyen, R.; Peters, G. Address: Bundesanstalt für Arbeit; Institut für Arbeitsmarkt- und Berufsforschung (IAB), D-8500 Nürnberg. Duration: 1982-1986.
Since 1980 the computer-aided documentation system of IAB used the retrieval program GOLEM. This seemed sufficient, however, in the interactive processing considerable disadvantages occurred. Besides this, the IAB participates in generating an integrated online accessible data bank "Social and Labour Sciences" for which a controlled documentary language needs to be elaborated also. Source: Curr.Res. 4(1986)No.4.

246 CL671/2
Development of a thesaurus "economics".
Research workers: Mantwill, G.; Gastmeyer, M.; Linadartos, G.; Schillhorn, H.
Address: HWWA-Institut für Wirtschaftsforschung, Neuer Jungfernstieg 21, D-2000 Hamburg. Duration: 1978-1986.
The basis for the collection of words of this thesaurus is the subject catalogue of the libraries of the HWWA-Institut and the Institut für Weltwirtschaft, Kiel as well as textbooks, dictionaries and journals with respect to newer terminology. Source: Curr.Res. 4(1986)No.4.

247 CL6921
Classification of fiction.
Research worker: Iivonen, Mirja. Address: University of Tampere. Department of Library and Information Science, P.O.B.607, SF-33101 Tampere. Duration: 1985.
The study deals with the classification of fiction. Fiction interprets in its own way meanings connected with reality. Human sciences are also dealing with these meanings. The distance between the knowledge transmitted by the human sciences and natural

sciences is larger than the one between the knowledge transmitted by the human sciences and fiction. If it is possible to classify knowledge in the human sciences, it is also possible to classify knowledge transmitted by fiction. Source: Curr.Res. 4(1986)No.4.

248 CL812
Subject catalogue of the House of Commons Parliamentary Papers 1801-1900.
Research workers: Cockton, P.; Moss, A. Address: Chadwyck-Healey, Ltd. Duration: 1986.
The project aims at a subject classification for all of the nineteenth century House of Commons Parliamentary Papers. The papers are being classified into 19 main subject areas, 73 main sections and 630 sub-sections. The results will be published in a four-volume catalogue. A keyword index to the titles of the papers will be made available on COM fiche.
Source: Curr.Res. 4(1986)No.4.

249 CL814
UNIMARC format for authority records.
Research worker: McCallum, S. Address: Library of Congress. MARC Standards Office, Washington, D.C. and IFLA International Programme for UBC. Duration: 1984-1986.
The project aims at 1) a study of the Guidelines for authority and reference entries, existing authority formats, and relevant international standards and 2) the development of a UNIMARC format specifying a record structure and data element definitions for the exchange on magnetic tape of authority records for personal names, corporate names including territorial authorities and uniform titles for anonymous classics. Source: Curr.Res. 4(1986)No.4.

250 CL844
Etelaat Index.
Research workers: Mehrad, J.; Hayati, Z. Address: Shiraz University. College of Literature and Human Sciences, Iran. Duration: 1979-
This research indexes all Etelaat articles, lectures, interviews, statements of organisations and associations, and important news of not only Iran but the world at large. Sources such as The Library of Congress Subject Headings, Sears List of Subject Headings, etc. are used for assigning the subject headings. Source: Curr.Res. 4(1986)No.4.

251 CL844
Nova Scotian newspaper preservation and access plan.
Research workers: Smith, Karen; Murphy, Lynn. Address: Ad Hoc Committee for the Preservation and Access of Nova Scotia Newspapers. Duration: 1985-
The project aims at developing a comprehensive collection, preservation, access and indexing program for all newspapers published in Nova Scotia from 1752 to the present. Source: Curr.Res. 4(1986)No.4.

252 CL872
Spatial structures as category determinants of pictures.
Research workers: Gandel, P.; Katzer, J. Address: Syracuse University. School of Information Studies, Syracuse, NY. Duration: 1983-1986.
Source: Curr.Res. 4(1986)No.4.

253 CL88-965
Persian and Arabic subject indexing of periodical essays in archives.
Research workers: Ghochani, E.R.A.; Javan, A.A.; Erfanian, G.A.; Valai, M. Address: Central Library & Museum; Astan Qods Razavi, Archives and Manuscripts Sections. Duration: 1983-1988.
The project aims at 1) making available a Persian and Arabic subject indexing of periodical essays in archives by subject, author and title cards, 2) providing a subject indexing for books in addition to rewriting and publishing rare indexes, 3) providing a subject indexing for manuscripts. Source: Curr.Res. 4(1986)No.4.