

IFLA Literacy and Reading Section Mid-Term Meeting

# LIBRARIES for LITERACIES

UNESCO International Literacy Day



Orvieto, September 6 - 7, 2024

Nuova Biblioteca Pubblica Luigi Fumi

Piazza Febei, 1



## INFO and REGISTRATION

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UNDER THE PATRONAGE OF

Since 1967, International Literacy Day (ILD) celebrations have taken place annually around the world to celebrate the importance of literacy, recognize it as a matter of dignity and human rights and advance the agenda of a more literate and sustainable society. Literacy empowers and liberates people. Beyond every person's inherent right to education, literacy improves lives by expanding individual's capabilities, which in turn reduces poverty, increases participation in the labour market, and has positive effects on health and sustainable development.

On the occasion of International Literacy Day UNESCO, The Cultural Department of Regione Umbria, Comune di Orvieto, International Federation of Library Associations and Institutions (IFLA) - Literacy and Reading Section, Italian Library Association - Umbria Section and National Public Libraries Commission, have collaborated on this initiative to promote literacy worldwide.

## SEPTEMBER 6

**11.00 a.m. - 1.00 p.m.**

### **IFLA LITERACY AND READING SECTION BUSINESS MEETING**

All are welcome to join the IFLA Literacy and Reading Section Business Meeting virtually as observers. To join the meeting online, please register for the initiative. Registrants will receive the link and further details as the date approaches.

**4.00 p.m. - 7.30 p.m.**

### **INTERNATIONAL SEMINAR ON THE OCCASION OF THE 25TH ANNIVERSARY OF NATI PER LEGGERE - BORN TO READ PROGRAMME**

*Nati per Leggere (Born to read)* is a national programme that promotes reading aloud to children from an early age. Scientific studies show that the brain has the greatest capacity for development and learning in the early years of life. Starting to read daily to children from a very young age is not only an important developmental factor but also vital in protecting against socio-cultural disadvantage and an opportunity to build a positive and curious outlook on the world. *Nati per Leggere* is based on a strong alliance between pediatricians, librarians, educators, midwives, NpL volunteers, and families. The program began in Umbria in 1999, in Assisi, during the national congress of the Cultural Association of Pediatricians. The first library in Umbria to develop an "NpL Network" was the Orvieto Public Library. Celebrating 25 years of NpL in Orvieto, this seminar aims to provide an opportunity to learn about new scientific research results and the importance of emergent literacy, as well as to get to know other international programmes and best practices.

**4.00 p.m. - 4.25 p.m. Welcome and Introduction**

Roberta Tardani *Mayor of Orvieto*, Paola Agabiti *Cultural Councillor Regione Umbria*, Monica Fiore *President of the Italian Library Association (AIB) Umbria Section*, Corrado Rossetti *President of Cultural Association of Pediatricians Umbria*, Simonetta Pasqualis *International Federation of Library Associations and Institutions - Reading and Literacy Section*

Chair Antonella Pinna *Director Service for the Enhancement of Cultural Resources, Museums, Archives, and Libraries Regione Umbria*

**4.30 p.m. - 17.20 p.m. First session**

### **SCIENTIFIC EVIDENCE**

*Building a predictive brain: how early experiences shape neurodevelopmental trajectories*

Giovanni Mento, Associate Professor of Developmental Neuropsychology Università di Padova, Head of NeuroDev Lab

*Environment and readings: environmental exposures in the first 1000 days of life and health impact*

Sandro Bianchi, Family Pediatrician, Cultural Association of Pediatricians Umbria

*Emergent literacy: learning language and reading in the first 1000 days of life*

Moira Sannipoli, Associate Professor of Didactics and Special Education Università di Perugia

**5.20 p.m. - 6.20 p.m. Second Session**

## **READING PROMOTION AND INTERNATIONAL BEST PRACTICES AGES 0-6**

*Books for Baby and Me: a program developed for the community of Western suburbs of Melbourne, Australia*

Paula Kelly Paull, Director Progressive Momentum, Australia

*Safeguarding heritage through early literacy: Reading Seeds Program*

Rashidah Bolhassan, Advisor, Ministry Of Tourism, Creative Industry and Performing Arts, Sarawak / Deputy Chairman, Sarawak State Library, Malaysia

*The Dutch BookStart program and the family approach to literacy*

Adriaan Langendonk, Manager Reading Promotion Programs with The Reading Foundation / National Library KB, The Netherlands

*A best practice of reading aloud to children in foreign languages*

Maria Ponomarenko, Head of the Children's Books and Children's Programs Center M.I. Rudomino All-Russia State Library for Foreign Literature

**6.20 p.m. - 6.40 p.m. Third Session**

## **NATI PER LEGGERE / BORN TO READ IN ORVIETO: TESTIMONIALS AND NEW ALLIANCES**

Serena Ciambella School Service Office Comune di Orvieto, Anna Maria Cicioni Family Counseling Centre Orvieto, Federica Martellini Nuova Biblioteca Pubblica Luigi Fumi

**6.40 p.m. - 7.30 p.m. Happy Birthday Nati per Leggere!**

Celebration and reading in the library garden

*Initiative under the patronage of Order of Midwives of Provincia di Terni*

## **SEPTEMBER 7**

### **LIBRARIES FOR LITERACIES. HOW LIBRARIES ENHANCE NEW FORMS OF LITERACY**

*International Conference*

The radical changes taking place in people's lives have highlighted the need to develop new literacies. The conference aims to bring together experts, researchers, librarians, teachers to discuss the role of libraries in strengthening individuals' skills and knowledge and supporting communities in the transition towards sustainable and resilient societies.

**9.30 a.m. - 10.00 a.m. Welcome and Introduction**

Carla Lodi Head of Culture Office and EU Policies Comune di Orvieto, Antonella Pinna Director Service for the Enhancement of Cultural Resources, Museums, Archives, and Libraries Regione Umbria, Monica Fiore Italian Library Association (AIB), Saif AlJabri International Federation of Library Associations and Institutions - Reading and Literacy Section

**10.00 a.m. - 1.00 p.m. First Session**

### **NEW LITERACIES AND LIBRARIES**

Chair Olimpia Bartolucci, Head of Libraries and Historical Archives Section, Regione Umbria

#### **Futures literacy**

*The guiding ideas of UNESCO's Futures Literacy*

Roberto Poli, UNESCO Chair in Anticipatory Systems Università di Trento (on line)

*Come Rain or Shine: building futures literacy in public libraries*

Ben Lee, Director Shared Intelligence, London (on line)

## **Artificial Intelligence literacy**

*Natural/artificial intelligence: knowing something, being competent, performing a task*

Aldo Gangemi Full Professor at the Università di Bologna and Institute for Cognitive Sciences and Technologies (ISTC) of CNR (National Research Council)

*Digital knowledge: Artificial intelligence and digital literacy in the Archimede Library of Settimo Torinese*

Augusta Giovannoli Expert in Digital Culture; Franco Orsola Head of Biblioteca Civica Multimediale Archimede and Coordinator SBAM Nord-East

## **Climate Change literacy**

*Climate Change: what we need to know and do to face the future*

Enrico Brugnoli, CNR (National Research Council ) Research Director - Institute of Research on Terrestrial Ecosystems (IRET)

*The environmental transition in the library: the commitment of the Library System of the Municipality of Milan*

Liù Palmieri Head of Administration Innovation and Libraries Development Office Comune di Milano

## **Health literacy**

*Health promotion in the One Health approach*

Marco Cristofori Head of the Regional Center for Global Health (CERSAG) - USL Umbria2 (Umbria Local Health Authority)

*Health literacy and Health Humanities in the library*

Vittorio Ponzani Head of Reference Office, Scientific Communication Service at Library of Istituto Superiore di Sanità (National Institute of Health)

*Pre-Texts The creative protocol of Harvard based on reading to support mental well-being: a resource for libraries*

Sara Uboldi Pre-texts Social Lab

## **1.15 p.m. - 2.30 p.m. Lunch break**

## **2.30 p.m. - 4.30 p.m. Second Session**

### **READING SKILLS AND LITERACY POLICIES**

Chair Andrea Capaccioni Associate Professor of Bibliography and Library Science Università di Perugia

*The world in "reading". International large-scale surveys and reading skills*

Carlo Di Chiacchio Researcher at National Institute for the Evaluation of the Education and Training System INVALSI - National Project Manager OECD-PISA; Margherita Emiletti - Researcher at National Institute for the Evaluation of the Education and Training System INVALSI - National Research Coordinator IEA-PIRLS

*A network to strengthen skills: school libraries and public libraries*

Silvio Improta, School Director of ITET (Economic-technical institute) "Aldo Capitini" Perugia

*The Art of Reading The National Dutch Reading Promotion Program*

Adriaan Langendonk Manager Reading Promotion Programs with The Reading Foundation/National Library KB The Netherlands

*The new Italian National Reading Action Plan and the Pacts for Reading*

Mirna Molli, School and National Campaigns Sector of Italian national Center for Books and Reading

*The UNESCO Learning City Network and the candidature of Handwriting as Intangible Cultural Heritage*

Carlo Nofri Representative of the Italian National Commission for UNESCO, President National Observatory on Language and Cultural Mediation (OSSMED)

## **4.20 p.m. - 4.30 p.m. Conclusions**

Paula Kelly Paull, International Federation of Library Associations and Institutions-Reading and Literacy Section

***A live stream with simultaneous Italian/English translation will be provided.***