

# **Technology-Enhanced Library Learning Environments, Architectural Spatial Design and New IT Possibilities**

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The [IFLA Information Technology Section](#) and [Library Buildings and Equipment Section](#) are seeking speaker proposals for papers to be presented at a Joint Panel Case Study Session at the IFLA World Library and Information Congress 2023 in Rotterdam, Netherlands.

## **Session Theme:**

**Technology-Enhanced Library Learning Environments, Architectural Spatial Design and New Information Technology Possibilities'.**

*Joint IFLA Information Technology and Library Buildings and Equipment Section) Co-sponsored Global Case Studies or Panel Discussion (75 minutes)*

The IFLA IT and IFLA Library Building and Equipment Sections are proud to sponsor a panel discussion and series of global case studies on the topic of technology-enhanced library learning commons, integration with library architectural and spatial design, and new conceptual ideas for learning in the new millennia. The event will focus specifically on digital literacy and new space possibilities for library technology enhanced spaces, commons and centers exploring architectural and information technology (IT) innovation in academic, research, and other types of libraries. Reviewers are open to presentations from all types of libraries working in these areas from both IT and architectural perspectives.

The proposed panel will consist of three or four panelists, each of whom will deliver a 15-minute presentation in English followed by 15 minutes of audience questions. The emphasis of the discussion may range across topics of innovative IT spatial design for libraries and technology enhanced learning environments to new forms of library/IT integrations to micro-credentialing and badging classrooms to new innovative spaces in libraries for digital/information literacy and these new millennia possibilities.

We are particularly interested not only in IT equipment and architectural space but also the larger idea of learning with IT integration in learning environments ranging from digital media centers to data visualization/AI labs, to Digital Preservation, Digitization labs, Immersive Technologies or other possibilities. Strong considerations will be given to innovative architecture, community building, and enabling new learning possibilities in concert with 21st century library digital and algorithmic literacy competencies.

We are keen to receive proposals of innovative library/architecture/technology case studies from around the world to highlight innovation, best-in-class examples, and early-stage projects.. Please feel free to circulate this invitation to your contacts or to a wider audience. This session is planned jointly between groups with an emphasis on interdisciplinarity and planning regarding IT and architecture and spatial design considerations for present needs and the future.

### **Important Dates**

- | **April 21 2023** | Proposal abstracts must be submitted
- | **May 10 2023** | Selected presenters will be notified
- | **July 15 2023** | Presentation slides due

### **Proposals must be in English and include the following information:**

- Title of proposal
- Abstract of the proposal (No more than 500 words)
- Name/s of presenters and positions and/or titles
- Employer or affiliated institution
- Contact information including email address and telephone number
- Short biographical statement of no more than 100 words
- Note a willingness to comply with IFLA's Authors' Permission
- Papers / PPTs will be published in IFLA's online Repository following conference

### **Send Proposals and Questions for further information to:**

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### **Please note:**

- Presentations must be in English. Each presentation should be no more than 20 minutes in length with discussion at the end of each session.

- Abstracts and papers should be sent in Microsoft Word file, doc or rtf. formats.
- Speakers should expect to be recorded on video and should be prepared to submit their presentation for publication in the IFLA repository.
- At least one of the presenters must be present to deliver the presentation during the program in Rotterdam. Proposals should only be submitted with the understanding that the expenses of attending the conference will be the responsibility of the author(s)/presenter(s) of accepted papers.
- All expenses, including registration for the conference, travel, accommodation etc., are the responsibility of the authors/presenters. No financial support can be provided by IFLA, but a special [invitation letter Opens external](#) can be issued to author(s)/presenter(s) of accepted papers.

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