Resource Sharing in the Times of COVID-19 and after

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What ILL community can do in the times of Pandemic?
RSCVD (or ‘received’) : Resource Sharing in the times of

- National resource sharing network is jeopardized and no reliable International Resource Sharing network exists.
- Discussion Started in March 2020 with colleagues of NILDE in Italy and IFLA Document Delivery and Resource Sharing Section Standing Committee.
- Situations in Italy, Europe, and World Wide.
- A simple and easy workflow. (“let’s start first.”)
- Assistance of Open Access Button and InstantILL for Web Request Form
- Rscvd.org
- First Requests received on April 21st 2020.
Resource Sharing during COVID–19 (RSCVD)

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International Resource Sharing in the times of COVID: Challenge or Opportunities

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e.g. Carla Hayden

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e.g. Harvard University Library

About the request

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e.g. 02/37/133-002

Notes

e.g. Please process quickly!

Paper Information
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- Only librarians currently working in a not-for-profit library can make the request (Interlibrary Loan, not Interpersonal loan).
- Volunteers are librarians from various institutions.
- We verify requesters (name and Official email addresses).
- Electronic Delivery only (book chapters and Journal articles).
- FREE Service (simple workflow).
- Recommend to follow the Copyrights law of each country.
RSCVD (or received) : Resource Sharing in the Times of Covid

• In 2020, 10,865 requests received and 6,442 requests are filled. (59.2% fill rate)
• More than 600 items supplied through Open Access Button.
• No average turnaround time but more than 50% of requests were filled within a week.
• Volunteers either share the resources or scan items or contribute their search skills.
• We use secure delivery methods such as OCLC Article Express RapidX, or others. No email attachment.
Number of Requests by Month in 2020

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Month

April
May
June
July
August
September
October
November
December

Number of requests
Requests came from...

- UK (44.6%)
- USA (8.6%)
- Argentina (1.8%)
- Australia (6.2%)
- Brazil (0.4%)
- Canada (6.2%)
- Colombia (6.2%)
- Finland (1.5%)
- Hungary (0.7%)
- India (0.6%)
- International (0.9%)
- Italy (8.4%)
- Korea (2.0%)
- Lebanon (4.6%)
- Norway (1.1%)
- Philippines (0.5%)
- Qatar (1.8%)
- Spain (2.6%)
- Turkey (2.6%)
Requests supplied by...

- USA: 29.5%
- Turkey: 34.1%
- UK: 11.5%
- Switzerland: 0.1%
- Spain: 15.8%
- Italy: 4.4%
- Qatar: 1.6%
- Unknown: 2.0%
Future Plans

  - Can we have a secure delivery methods embedded?
  - What about IFLA Vouchers? hmm…
- Platform for the countries without National Resource Sharing platform.
- We do not want to replace existing resource sharing network. But we wish to bridge between the National Resource Sharing Networks and fill the gaps.
- Organizational structure for a sustainable future (Steering Committee and Volunteers from less participating regions.)
- We will not stop as a temporary emergency initiative.
- The EU granted ERASMUS funding for the initiative in Feb. 2021.
Model 3.
International Interlibrary Loan Clearing Center

* From a presentation at 2015 ILDS Conference in Istanbul, Turkey
Lessons Learned (or fact affirmed)

- We are more connected than we ever imagined.
- Covid or no Covid, our patrons still need materials, ‘by yesterday.’
- Challenges make us creative and realize what was missing for long.
- Challenges force us to start first and let us realize it was not too complicated.
- We, Librarians, are eager to help each other regardless of any differences we may have.
- An international project needs a “clown” for all participants to feel comfortable.

A HUGE thanks to all Volunteers around the world!
We make the world better place,
page by page, article by article.

Thank you.

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