

Library Science Best Practices Training Materials

أفضل المواد التدريبية في علوم المكتبات

The goal of this research was to gather best practices training materials for staff at the [University of Mosul Library](#). U of Mosul Library Director Mr. Muhammad Jasim Aal-hajiahmed discusses the destruction of the library, and its efforts to rebuild, [here](#).

CONSIDER

While the situation in Mosul currently looks promising, it is important to remember that those in Iraq may go years without reliable contact, which makes it difficult for them to stay on top of library best practices. Harvey and Cloonan's training program, in 1998, was the first received in Iraq in 20 years. They stated: "it is difficult for Americans to understand the extent of the Iraqis' isolation from their international colleagues for the past 25 years" (Harvey and Cloonan, 2006).

Additionally, multiple sources mentioned misunderstandings borne from language differences. Multiple sources also mention a desire on the part of Iraqi library staff to delve deeper into training topics. However current best practices materials written in Arabic are difficult to find. Thus, these resources should be seen both as a springboard into best practice guidelines, as well as a call for more library science materials to be translated into Arabic.

TECHNICAL SERVICES RESOURCES

Collection Development

[Developing Collections in Hard Times](#), IFLA Conference Session

Cataloging

RDA - [Arabic Cataloging using RDA](#)*

FRBR - [FRBR](#), IFLA 2017

MARC 21 - [Bibliotheca Alexandrina Arabic Library Standards](#)

- [Bibliographic data](#) (Arabic)
- [Authority data](#) (Arabic)
- [Community information](#) (Arabic)
- [Holdings data](#) (Arabic)
- [Classification data](#) (Arabic)
- Bibliographic Records in [Multiple Character Sets](#) - LOC & PCC Guidelines*
- [Arabic NACO Manual](#), Princeton

ISBD - [Full ISBD examples](#), IFLA (arabic)*

DDC - [Arabic Dewey Decimal Classification Presentation](#), Egyptian Universities Libraries Consortium*

Authority Control

- [Arabic Name Authority Control](#) - Magda El-Sherbini*
- [ORCID in Arabic](#)*

BIBFRAME - [BIBFRAME in the arab region](#)*

Metadata

- [Which Metadata for Ancient Arabic Manuscripts Cataloguing?](#) Soualah & Hassoun*
- [Presentation on metadata standards for MELA](#), Horning, UCLA*

ILS

KOHA is a popular open source ILS, which has many resources available in Arabic.

- KOHA 18.05 [Manual](#) website (Arabic)
 - KOHA 18.05 [training materials](#) (Arabic, KnowledgeWare Technologies)
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Digital Services

Digitization

- ALCTS [Minimum Digitization Capture Recommendations](#)
- Krista White & Isaiah Beard -
<http://www.ala.org/alcts/confevents/upcoming/webcourse>
<http://www.ala.org/alcts/confevents/upcoming/webinar/042616>
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Data Curation - ALCTS [Preservation Standards](#)

Disaster Response and Recovery

[American Institute for Conservation](#)

[Paper Conservation](#)

[Northeast Document Conservation Center](#)

Public Services & Management

Services to Undergraduates, [ACRL guidelines](#).

ADDITIONAL RESOURCES

Organizations & Associations

[Arab Federation of Libraries and Information](#)

[Lebanese Library Association](#)

[Middle East Librarians Association](#)

- [MELA committee on Cataloging](#)

[Arabic Union of Cataloging](#)

IFLA (particularly their [standards](#))

UN sustainable development goals 2030, [Training programs](#) (Arabic)*

Books

The Organization of Information. Joudrey and Taylor, 3rd edition. Translated into Arabic by Hashem Farahat Sayed, Professor at King Saud University, Saudi Arabia. hsayed@ksu.edu.sa.

[Arabic Dewey Decimal Classification](#), from Bibliotheca Alexandrina, may be coming soon.

[Library & Information Science in the Middle East & North Africa](#). IFLA publication. ISBN: 9783110341720. Especially sections: Library Science education, LIS research, and Bias in Cataloging.

[Global Library & Information Science](#). ISBN: 9783598441349.

[ALCTS](#) Middle East Publishers and Booksellers

Blogs/Websites

[KnowledgeWare Technologies Blog](#): مدونة شيءٍ ممكناتِي تُكَّ تَهْدَفُ الى توفير مساحات تتسع لكل أخصائي المكتبات والمهتمين بأخر التطورات في مجالات الوصول للمعلومة العربية ونظم إدارة المعرفة مفتوحة المصدر، للمساهمة بكل ما هو جديد وذا توجه مستقبلي في مناطق مثل تحسين خدمات المكتبات الإلكترونية والمستودعات الرقمية والأرشيف، وأكثرية المحتوى وجمهرة المصادر، ومنصات الإكتشاف ومحركات البحث، وتقنيات الترجمة والتعريب، ونظم إدارة مراكز المعرفة والأبحاث، وتطبيقات الذكاء الاصطناعي في مجالات المعرفة، وصناعة وإثراء المحتوى حر الوصول | My goal is to provide space for all library professionals interested in the latest developments in the field of access to Arabic information and open source knowledge management systems, to contribute to new and future trends in areas such as improving electronic library services, digital repositories and archiving, Discovery and search engines, translation and localization techniques, knowledge and research centers management systems, artificial intelligence applications in the areas of knowledge, industry and enrichment of free content access.

[Maktabat Libraries Online](#)

Additional Resources

[IFLA Conference Grant](#) - “The aim of the grant is to enable one expert in library and information sciences from the Arab Countries (AC) to attend the Annual IFLA Conference”

[Open Access Publications in the Middle East](#)

[Global List of LIS Education](#) - Arabic-speaking countries: Algeria, Bahrain, Chad, Djibouti, Egypt, Jordan, Kuwait, Lebanon, Libya, Mauritania, Morocco, Palestine, Qatar, Saudi Arabia, Somalia, Sudan, Tanzania, Tunisia, United Arab Emirates, Yemen

Library of Congress - [Cairo Office](#).

Charles Kurzman & Mohamed Hamed. [Middle East Library Partnership Project](#). Kurzman also recently wrote [The hidden heritage of Arab libraries: Online catalogs and institutional barriers to discoverability](#).