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[by e-mail]

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Subject: Implementation of the Marrakesh Treaty in Argentina

Dear Sirs,

The International Federation of Library Associations and Institutions (IFLA) welcomes progress towards passing the necessary domestic legislation to implement the Marrakesh Treaty in the Congress of the Nation of Argentina. As the leading international body representing the interests of library and information services and their users internationally, IFLA welcomes Argentinian's decision to support the Marrakesh Treaty, which has had an unprecedented international impact (88 states parties already) by developing targeted copyright exceptions across borders in the service of citizens.

This is a milestone in the evolution of intellectual property treaties, as the Marrakesh Treaty is framed by the principles of non-discrimination, equal opportunities, accessibility, and participation, as proclaimed in the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities. The implementation by Argentina will be a catalyst for the effective enjoyment of the rights of this group.

IFLA, as the global voice of libraries around the world, is looking forward to supporting libraries and other institutions, collaborating with networks of people with disabilities, sharing the experience we have had in accompanying the process of implementing the Treaty in other countries of the region, and encouraging practical initiatives to facilitate the sharing of books and other documents through initiatives such as the Accessible Books Consortium.

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We therefore celebrate and support the initiative to implement the Treaty in Argentina, and hope you will be able to do so rapidly, and in a way that maximises the possibilities for libraries to serve some of the most vulnerable people in our population. We are confident that this will help give more access to the information and knowledge to the people who need it, as well as support the Sustainable Development Goals in your country and your region.

Yours sincerely,

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Secretary General