

IBBY NATIONAL SECTIONS 2002-2004
Summary of Biennial Reports

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Foreword by IBBY President, Peter Schneck

IBBY is the sum of its National Sections. It is through their development that we can assess the growth of the organization. The National Sections' Biennial Reports show us the very intensive and extended activities that are performed by the National Sections.

Although, completely autonomous in the way they organize themselves, the National Sections share the IBBY mission and objective: bringing children and books together. There is unity in diversity: this common goal brings countries from every part of the world together, thus, achieving Jella Lepman's dream of forging international understanding through children's books. Friends in Palestine, in Colombia, in China, in Denmark, all over the world, are working within the framework of IBBY so that children can have access to good quality books.

The following summary gives us a wide picture of the National Sections. Although many of them face financial difficulties, in general they fulfil their aims and organize their activities. In addition, they are often the leading organization dealing with children's literature in their respective country.

Reading this summary is rewarding and inspirational. For each National Section it will be a mirror in which they can watch, not only their own, but also their peer's activities.

It will also enlighten the members of the Executive Committee helping them to guide IBBY into the future.

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LIST OF COUNTRIES WITH NATIONAL SECTIONS OF IBBY- June 2004

Total of 68 countries

Not all NS answered the questionnaire 2002-2004. In the list below, the 36 NS that answered have been marked with

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Albania	Kuwait
Argentina	Latvia*
Australia*	Lebanon*
Austria *	Lithuania
Belgium	Malaysia*
Bolivia*	Mexico*
Brazil*	Moldova
Bulgaria	Netherlands*
Canada*	New Zealand
Chile*	Norway
China	Palestine*
Colombia*	Panama
Croatia*	Peru*
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Ghana	Spain
Greece*	Sri Lanka
Hungary	Sweden*
Iceland*	Switzerland*
India	Thailand*
Iran*	Turkey
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Italy	United Kingdom
Japan*	Uruguay*
Kazakhstan	USA*
Korea, Republic of	Venezuela*

INFORMATION REQUESTED FOR THE NS BIENNIAL REPORTS

1. GENERAL INFORMATION

1.1 Country

1.2 Name, address, telephone, fax, e-mail and website of the National Section (NS)

1.3 Representatives

- 1.3.1 President of the National Section (NS)
- 1.3.2 Secretary or main executive officer of the NS
- 1.3.3 IBBY main Liaison Officer or contact person

1.4 Organization

Structure

- 1.4.1 How is your NS organized? Describe the structure of the NS in general.
- 1.4.2 Is your NS affiliated to, or a branch of another organization or institution? If so, which one?
- 1.4.3 Do you have an office and paid staff?
- 1.4.4 How often do you have business meetings?

Membership

- 1.4.5 Does your NS have organizations as members? How many? What kind of organizations?
- 1.4.6 Does your NS have individual members? How many? How do they contribute to the NS activities?
- 1.4.7 Who are your members? What percentage are: teachers? authors? illustrators? publishers? students? etc.
- 1.4.8 What categories of membership, if any, does your NS have?
- 1.4.9 How often do you keep in touch with your members? How?

2. FUNDING

2.1 Annual Budget What is your average annual budget in US\$? Is it increasing or decreasing?

2.2 Sources of income

- 2.2.1 Is there a membership fee? How much is it? What percentage of your budget does this account for?
- 2.2.2 Do you receive financial support from individual sponsors and/or donors? If so, how much? What percentage of your budget does this account for?
- 2.2.3 Do you receive grants from government or national institutions? If so, how much? What percentage of your budget does this account for?
- 2.2.4 Do you receive grants from other organizations? If so, how much? What percentage of your budget does this account for?
- 2.2.5 Have other NS contributed any financial support? If so, how much?

- 2.2.6 Do you generate income through publications? If so, how much? What percentage of your budget does this account for?
- 2.2.7 Do you have other sources of income not mentioned above? What are they and what percentage of your budget do they account for?
- 2.2.8 Are the sources of income listed in points 2.2.1 to 2.2.7 regular contributions?
- 2.2.9 Do you receive support specifically for your IBBY dues? If so, from whom?
- 2.2.10 Describe successful fundraising strategies your NS has developed.

3. THE NATIONAL SECTION'S ACTIVITIES

3.1 Main activities

- 3.1.1 Has your NS organized national, regional or international meetings and conferences? Which ones?
- 3.1.2 Have members of your NS represented IBBY at other national, regional or international meetings and/or conferences?
- 3.1.3 Does your NS organize courses or seminars at a local level? Who are these aimed at?
- 3.1.4 Does your NS organize or host exhibitions and/or fairs?
- 3.1.5 Does your NS administer awards or prizes? Does it organize contests?
- 3.1.6 Does your NS run a library or bookstore?
- 3.1.7 Has your NS organized other activities? Which ones have been especially successful in your country? Please specify.

3.2 Communication

- 3.2.1 Does your NS have a website? What is its URL?
- 3.2.2 Does your NS publish a regular newsletter? Who receives this? Is it available online?
- 3.2.3 Does your NS develop lists of book selections? Which ones?
- 3.2.4 What, if any, are your other regular publications? Please give names (original and translation into English) and a description of their content and purpose.
- 3.2.5 Does your NS work with national media to promote your own activities or the work of IBBY?

3.3 Cooperation at a national level

- 3.3.1 Is your NS consulted about children's books in your country? By whom?
- 3.3.2 Are there NGOs or established institutions in your country for which the development of a children's reading and publishing culture is an objective? Which ones? Are you informed of their projects and needs?
- 3.3.3 Does your NS collaborate with these agencies?

4. COOPERATION WITH IBBY

4.1 International activities in cooperation with IBBY *Congresses and General Assemblies*

- 4.1.1 How many of your members participated in the last two IBBY Congresses and General Assemblies?
- 4.1.2 Does your NS participate in IBBY regional conferences? If so, which ones?

International Children's Book Day (ICBD)

- 4.1.3 What activities, if any, does your NS organize to celebrate the ICBD?
- 4.1.4 Did you design your own poster? If not, did you use the message and poster of the sponsoring NS?
- 4.1.5 How do you disseminate information about the ICBD?

IBBY Awards and projects

- 4.1.6 Did your NS present any nominations for the Hans Christian Andersen Awards? If so, who were the nominees? If not, why not?
- 4.1.7 Did your NS present any nominations for the IBBY Honour List? If so, who were the nominees? If not, why not?
- 4.1.8 Did your NS nominate a project for the IBBY-Asahi Reading Promotion Award? If so, which one?
- 4.1.9 Did you nominate any titles for the Outstanding Books for Young People with Disabilities selection?
- 4.1.10 Did you donate or recommend any books for the IBBY Documentation Centre of Books for Disabled Young People? If so, how many?
- 4.1.11 Did you host any IBBY travelling exhibitions (Honour List, HCA, Books for Disabled, etc.)? If so, where and when were they exhibited?

Bookbird and other projects

- 4.1.12 How many members of your NS have individual subscriptions to *Bookbird*?
- 4.1.13 Does your NS have a *Bookbird* associate editor? Have you contributed any articles to, or cooperated with *Bookbird*?
- 4.1.14 Have you participated in any other IBBY international activities not listed above? If so, which ones?

4.2 Cooperation with other National Sections

- 4.2.1 Are you involved in regional cooperation with other NS? What is the nature of this cooperation?
- 4.2.2 Do you cooperate bilaterally with other NS? What is the nature of this cooperation?
- 4.2.3 Do you exchange newsletters or information with other NS? If so, how often?
- 4.2.4 What, in your opinion, have been the major obstacles to greater cooperation between NS?

5. ADDITIONAL COMMENTS

REPRESENTATION AND ORGANIZATION

REPRESENTATIVES

To a large extent, NS are directed and represented by a President, a Secretary General or Executive Officer and up to two Liaison Officers. Their names are listed in the table below. This information is also found in our website: www.ibby.org

Other staff members, often employed by supporting organizations, occasionally complement these core representatives. It is worth noting that many of the NS rely on voluntary work and usually develop a great number of wide-reaching activities.

Of the 36 NS that completed and returned the BR, 17 answered positively regarding being affiliated or a branch of another institution; 19 declared to be totally independent. Thus, there is not a prevalence of a single structure.

- Affiliated to another organization or branch: Australia, Austria, Canada, Colombia, Croatia, Egypt, France, Germany, Palestine, Peru, Russia, Slovakia, Slovenia, Sweden, Switzerland, Thailand, Venezuela
- Independent: Bolivia, Brazil, Chile, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, Greece, Iceland, Iran, Japan, Latvia, Lebanon, Malaysia, Mexico, The Netherlands, Poland, South Africa, Uruguay, United States

OFFICE ARRANGEMENTS

There are NS with their own office and some that do not have one: 24 of the NS have an office and 12 do not.

It is noticeable that NS without an office are often very active, as is the case of The Netherlands, Finland, Sweden and Denmark.

- NS with an office: Austria, Bolivia, Brazil, Canada, Colombia, Croatia, Egypt, Estonia, France, Germany, Greece, Iran, Japan, Malaysia, Mexico, Palestine, Peru, Russia, Slovakia, Slovenia, South Africa, Thailand, USA, Venezuela.
- No office: Australia, Chile, Denmark, Finland, Iceland, Latvia, Lebanon, The Netherlands, Poland, Sweden, Switzerland, Uruguay

MEMBERSHIP

Different NS have different rules regarding their membership. In some cases, membership is restricted to organizations, usually because the IBBY NS is an umbrella organization (e.g. Austria, Croatia or Mexico). In other cases, members are exclusively individual members, although these will sometimes represent a publishing house or an organization that they direct. By far the most common pattern for membership is a combination of organizations and individuals.

In almost all cases, membership comes from paying a fee. Many NS have categories such as: Student, Individual, Organization, Donor, etc. All of the NS agree that membership fees cover only a small part of their budget.

TABLE 1: REPRESENTATIVES AND ORGANIZATION (as of June 2004)

National Section	Representatives	Contact details	Paid staff	Frequency of Board and business meetings	Individual members	Organizations as members
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Bolivia	Ms Gaby Vallejo Ms Rosy Montaña	Casilla 5240 Cochabamba gabyvall@supernet.com.bo	None	Weekly	35	None
Brazil	Mr Carlos Augusto Lacerda Ms Elizabeth Serra	Fundação Nacional do Livro Infantil e Juvenil Rua da Imprensa, 16 sala 1212 a 1215 20030-120 Rio de Janeiro RJ fnlij@alternex.com.br www.fnlij.org.br	3	Board of Directors: every 2 weeks Board of Trustees: 2/yr	200	60 (mainly publishing houses)
Canada	Ms Josiane Polidori Ms Susan Shipton Ms Brenda Halliday	The Canadian Children's Book Centre 40 Orchard View Blvd, Suite 101 Toronto, Ontario, M4R 1B9, info@ibby-canada.org www.ibby-canada.org	None	4/yr	149	4
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Japan	Ms Kuniko Kameda Ms Naoko Torizuka	JBBY 6 Fukuro-machi, Shinjuku-ku Tokyo 162-0828 JDK03301@nifty.com www.jbby.org	1 full-time 2 part-time	12/yr	614	Supporting members (who offer help): 18 Regular members: 45
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FUNDING

BUDGETS

Not all of the NS that returned the BR answered the question about budget. Those that answered can be classified into 4 categories:

- 1) No budget: Bolivia, Poland (but receives project based grants), South Africa
- 2) From \$1000 to \$5000: Australia, Chile, Estonia, Palestine, Thailand, Uruguay
- 3) From \$5000 to \$10 000: Lebanon, The Netherlands
- 4) From \$10 000 to \$40 000: Canada, Colombia, Croatia, Denmark, Egypt, Finland, Greece, Iceland, Iran, Peru, Russia, Slovak Republic, Sweden, United States.
- 5) Over \$40 000: Brazil (\$69 500), France (\$60 000), Germany (\$540 000), Japan (\$600 000), Mexico (\$180 000), Switzerland (\$70 000)

Almost half of the NS included in this summary have medium sized budgets that allow them to carry out their activities. Many of them declared that their budgets are increasing. When the budget is not fixed, due to being part of another institution, NS have to apply constantly for grants or look for partnerships.

Fundraising is not always successful in many countries.

SUPPORT FOR IBBY DUES SPECIFICALLY

In most NS, dues are considered part of the overall NS budget. However, in some cases, contributions are made directly for this purpose. What is worth noting is that through the twinning programme, some NS help others financially: The Dutch Section has helped Uruguay and other NS with dues, and USBBY has helped South Africa by paying half of their dues for 2003. Also Canada helps Cuba with dues.

MEMBERSHIP FEES

Many NS count on membership fees as the most reliable and regular source of income for their work although, usually, the revenues from fees are quite minor compared to their outgoings. In IBBY Canada, for example, 'patrons' who are effectively sponsors pay the highest member fee. The same is true for United States. In general, membership fees are not high.

GOVERNMENT GRANTS

What is interesting to note about government grants is that the majority of the NS receive them but not in a regular way; they have to apply for them each time, usually for specific projects.

In the NS of Venezuela, Colombia and Brazil, cooperation with the government, in the sense of shared projects or projects developed specifically for government needs, constitute an important part of the budget. With some exceptions, i.e. Russia, South Africa, Thailand, Iran, all the NS develop activities for or with the government, and there are those, like Germany, Slovenia, Croatia, France, Austria, that get a large part, if not the totality, of their budget from the government.

GRANTS BY OTHER ORGANIZATIONS AND INSTITUTIONS

Some NS benefit from grants from organizations and institutions in the private and public sector. These contributions are often project-based. For NS like Venezuela, this represents an important source of income. Finland, The Netherlands and Japan report occasional grants.

Publishing companies are among the usual partners of NS such as México, Colombia, Japan and Thailand. They contribute with advertisements in NS publications, or with donation of books, or with specific projects, such as literary awards.

IBBY Venezuela has forged constructive relationships with various companies in the private sector, although this has reduced in the past years, largely due to economic realities. Some examples are: CANTV (a telecommunications company) and Coca Cola.

In some countries, such as Brazil, any contribution made to a cultural activity can be tax deductible.

INDIVIDUAL SPONSORS AND DONORS

Generally speaking, donations from external individual sponsors are not the main source of income for NS. Occasionally, as a result of a fundraising campaign or for a specific project, individual donations are received, but they never account for a significant part of the budget.

The Dutch NS benefits from the inheritance of author Jenny Smelik by using the fund to administer an award that bears her name.

PUBLICATIONS

Although many of the NS produce newsletters and bulletins, these do not necessarily generate funds. The following sections have reported to earn small parts of their budgets through selling publications:

Bolivia (5% of the budget); Colombia (1%); France (10%); Germany (20%); Greece (10%); Iran (16%); Japan (unspecified), Mexico (26%) Peru (10%), Venezuela (0.5%)

OTHER SOURCES OF INCOME

One thing that is more or less consistent throughout the NS reports is what generates money when the section is not totally funded from the government or another institution. This is the sale of projects and services, all of them similar in nature: seminars, workshops, conferences, training of librarians, teachers and/or parents, assessment of libraries and development of reading related projects.

As stated before, a well organized partnership between the NS and a government or an institution is the preferred activity to generate income.

TABLE 2: FUNDING

National Section	Support for IBBY dues specifically	Membership fees	Government support	Grants by other Organizations and Institutions	Individual Sponsors and donors	Publications	Other
Australia	No ALIA pays the dues	No	No	No	No	No	Biennial award generates funds through applications
Austria	Within budget of the co-ordinating member organization	No	Yes – Federal Chancellery, Department of Arts	Yes – support by member organizations	No	No	
Bolivia	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	Annual dinner, workshops
Brazil	No	Yes	No	No	No	No	Projects as Libraries and Reading Promotion. <i>Salao FNLIJ do Livro para Crianças e Jovens</i>
Canada	No	Yes	Yes – Grants	No.	Yes (minor)	<i>Don't Read This</i> royalties (minor)	Fundraising events including 3 awards with cash prize
Colombia	No	No	Yes – project-based support	Yes – occasionally	No	Magazines, books edited and distributed (minor)	Founders' contributions, services e.g. assistance to libraries, congresses, awards

Croatia	No	No	Yes – Ministry of Culture; Zagreb City Government; Zagreb Public Libraries	No	No	Proceedings of Conferences	Publishers give in-kind support
Chile	No	Yes	No	No	No	Yes	Some members pay extra dues
Denmark	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	Occasional support from publishers
Egypt	Under Integrated Care Society, umbrella organization	No	No	Yes – mainly publishers and project-based e.g. prizes or seminars	No	Yes	Joining partners for specific projects
Estonia	No	Yes	Yes	Yes – the Finnish NS	No	No	
Finland	No	Yes	Yes – Ministry of Education	Project-based	Project-based	No	
France	Under <i>Les amis de la joie par les livres</i> , umbrella organization	Yes	Yes – Ministry of Culture	No	No	Sale of publications	Conferences
Germany	No	Yes	Yes	Occasional	Occasional	Sale of publications	Conference, seminars
Greece	No	Yes	Yes – irregular	Yes – irregular: publishing houses fund awards	No	Yes (minor)	No
Iceland	No	Yes	Yes – irregular	Yes – irregular	Occasionally	Yes (minor)	No
Iran	No	Yes	No	No	Yes – mainly project-based	Yes	Agreements with UNICEF and ICDL (Int. Children's Digital Library)
Japan	No	Yes	Yes – irregular	Yes – irregular	Yes	Sale of publications	International conference
Latvia	Yes	Yes	Yes – National	Yes – Dutch Embassy	No		Projects

			Library, Ministry of Culture				
Lebanon	Yes	Yes	No	Yes – irregular: project-based	Yes	No	Concerts, dinners, children’s parties
Malaysia	No	Yes	Yes	Yes – National Book Council and Embassy of Slovakia	No	No	Workshops, seminars
Mexico	No	Yes	Yes – irregular, project-based	Yes – mainly publishing houses	Yes	Yes	Workshops, seminars, Librarians training, Classroom libraries
Netherlands		Yes	Ministry of Education, Culture and Science	Yes – e.g. Dutch embassies abroad	Yes – e.g. inheritance of Jenny Smelik used for Award	Yes	Special grant from the Foundation for the Study of Children’s Literature
Palestine	Yes – IBBY Solidarity Fund	Yes	No	No	Yes	No	
Peru	No	No	No	Yes – One institution donates the entire budget	No	Sale of books	
Poland	Yes – Ministry of culture	Yes	Yes – Ministry of Culture	Yes – irregular	Yes -irregular	No	
Russia	No	Yes	No	Yes – irregular: mostly project-based	No	No	Reading competitions, celebration of ICBD
Slovakia	Under BIBIANA, umbrella organization	Yes	Yes – Ministry of Culture	Yes – regularly co-organizers; others less regular, project-based	No	No	

Slovenia	No	Yes	Yes – Ministry of Culture				
South Africa	Yes – USSBY through twinning	Yes	No	No	Yes	No	
Sweden	No	Yes	Yes – Swedish National Council of Cultural Affairs	Yes – Swedish Institute; other project-based, e.g. publishing houses in award nominations	No	No	
Switzerland	No	Yes	Cantonal and regional	No	No	No	
Thailand	Under PUBAT, umbrella organization	Yes	No	Yes – PUBAT (publishers and booksellers association)	Yes	ThaiBBY Journal	Donation boxes at book fairs
United States	No	Yes	No	No	Yes – patron fees, minor donations	No	Interest from investments(minor)
Uruguay	Yes- Dutch IBBY	Yes	No	No	No	No	Workshops, seminars, lectures
Venezuela	Under <i>Banco del Libro</i>	No	Yes –Ministry of Education	Yes- project-based	No	Sale of publications (minor)	Projects and services Building Bridges, <i>Cuentos entre amigos</i>

ACTIVITIES OF THE NS

Almost all of the NS organize national, regional or international meetings and conferences as part of their mission. Most of the time there is a registration fee to cover expenses, but the emphasis of these events is not on the money they produce, but on the discussion of important issues related to the field. It is often the main activity of the NS.

During this period, the NS of Austria, Poland and Slovakia reported meetings regarding the BARFIE project.

As far as attending IBBY's international congresses, a number of NS complain about the high cost of participating. This is true of many NS in Latin America and Asia. When there are regional meetings, the attendance seems to be very good, as in the case of the Nordic countries.

Courses and seminars are also important activities in the NS. Addressed to writers, illustrators, teachers, librarians, parents, as well as the general public, these courses vary in their complexity and duration. In countries where there is no academic programme for Children's Literature, these courses and seminars are the only instance where interested people can discuss related matters.

Exhibitions and attendance of local book fairs are also quite frequent. For example, Japan, regularly exhibits the IBBY Honour List and the Andersen Award winners' books.

Prizes and contests are frequently organized. The Dutch IBBY administers the Jenny Smelik inheritance in the form of a competition of the same name: the Jenny Smellik Award. There is also the case of Fundalectura, which administers the Norma-Fundalectura Latin American Award for Norma's publishing house.

A few NS run libraries or bookstores, for example, Bolivia, Egypt, Iran and Peru. There are some, like Venezuela, Estonia and Brazil that administer important Documentation Centres.

The overall picture is that, in spite of a pervasive lack of money, the great majority of the NS develop their activities, look for funding and work hard to maintain their status as important organizations in the field of children's books. There is also a sense of pride in the reports and some NS have achieved important landmarks, as is the case of the National Reading Week implemented by the Palestine NS.

It is worth noting that Canada, United States, and The Netherlands reported helping other NS as successful activities.

COMMUNICATION

The majority of the NS have websites or state their intention to develop one, and almost all have newsletters or magazines through which they communicate with their members and the interested public.

Developing lists of book selections is an activity of many NS although few sections undertake book publishing; Mexico is one of them.

Working with national media to promote activities is done by almost all of the NS.

DIFFERENT SECTIONS' HIGHLIGHTS

The following were reported as very successful activities:

Austria: The International Institute for Children's Literature and Reading Research, Austrian IBBY, is the coordinating institution of the EU Comenius project BARFIE, which main objective is to promote intercultural education and reading across Europe through books and media.

One other project they describe as especially successful is ALIDA www.alida.at a database of Austrian children's book authors, illustrators and translators from 1945 up to the present.

They also highlight their fellowship programme through which, with support from the Federal Chancellery, they host experts in the field of children's literature from all over the world for periods of 1 to 3 months.

Bolivia: Workshops and short courses in different cities are mentioned as successful fundraising strategies. A fundraising campaign for the city library was also successful.

Brazil: IBBY Brazil (FNLIJ) reports the organization of the Salão FNLIJ do Livro para Crianças e Jovens (a book fair), funded in part by PETROBRAS, the Brazilian oil company. Their aim is to have similar books fair throughout the country.

Brazil IBBY also assesses the creation of libraries with emphasis on children and young people.

Canada: IBBY Canada mentions a successful biennial benefit, called Hot, Hot Cuba, which helps IBBY Cuba with their dues and their regional conferences. This is a good example of successful twinning.

Colombia: IBBY Colombia (Fundalectura) mentions that they establish agreements with other entities, public and private, to undertake events such as exhibitions, congresses, and the *Colombia crece leyendo* (*Colombia grows by reading*) campaign, developed with the Ministry of Culture. The campaign's main objective is to strengthen the public libraries.

Egypt: EBBY describes their best strategy as coordinating efforts with interested partners, not only private ones, such as publishers, but also international agencies.

Iran: Iran IBBY developed an Encyclopaedia for Young People (EYP). Fundraising activities started in 1995. They included: concerts, exhibitions, book donations, and publications. EYP friends have worked with the ICBF (International Children's Book Foundation) and have established the EYP Family Project, which asks for monthly/annual donations from individuals.

Mexico: An increasingly busy NS, Mexico reports as special projects the following: book selections for classroom libraries in public schools throughout the country, on request of the Ministry of Education; collaboration with ICDL (International Children's Digital Library) regarding Mexican children's books appearing on the site; and, cooperation with Mexican General Direction of Libraries to train librarians in reading promotion.

The Netherlands: the Dutch NS reports that sponsors support special projects in their section. During the reported period, they supported other NS with dues.

Slovenia: The Slovenian Section of IBBY states that the international projects of the section are covered with grants given by the Ministry of Culture.

Thailand: The Books for Children Foundation (ThaiBBY) reports as successful sources of income: donations from members and individuals; revenues from projects such as seminars and training sessions; revenues from advertisement in ThaiBBY Journal; and donation boxes at book fairs.

United States: USBBY says that they receive bank interest from investments and modest donations. At the 5th IBBY Regional Conference there was a fundraising auction to support African delegates to attend the IBBY South African Congress.

Venezuela: Banco del Libro, Venezuela IBBY, describes several strategies they have developed:

Building Bridges: A series of thematically articulated conversations with adults. For instance, democracy and citizenship were looked upon from legal, social, political and educational points of view. This project received support from DAI (Development Alternatives Inc/VICC Venezuela), an organization that aims at strengthening democratic processes and promotion of understanding and reconciliation.

In 2003, the programme *Cuentos entre amigos (Stories Among Friends)* was launched. It consists of weekly encounters between children, books and storytellers in poor neighbourhoods of Caracas.

Another project was a Newsletter published with one of the big newspapers (El Nacional). It was useful to promote activities and projects and the sale of advertisement brought in some financial relief.

Finally, Banco del Libro assesses publishers who require special advice on children's book editing.

TABLE 3: NATIONAL SECTIONS' ACTIVITIES

National Section	Publications and website	Meetings and conferences	Seminars, courses and workshops	Exhibitions and fairs	Awards, prizes and contests	Cooperation with government, private and/or public organizations	Other
Australia					<i>Ena Noel IBBY Encouragement Award</i>		Annual Hans Christian Andersen dinner
Austria	<i>1000 und 1 Buch</i> , professional quarterly. <i>Ausgelesen</i> , web page with reviews. <i>Austrian Picture Books</i> : catalogue Website		Yes	Organized <i>Literature for Young Readers</i> : literature week, events, exhibition. Co organized <i>Reading in the Park</i> : reading promotion programme.	<i>Austrian National Children's and Juvenile Book Award</i> <i>Dixi Kinderliteraturpreis</i>	Yes	ALIDA database on children's books. Co-ordination of BARFIE. Fellowship programme. Compilation of booklists. Training for teachers and librarians
Bolivia	Yes	Yes	Yes	Organized small book fairs in schools and public squares	No	Yes, on small scale	The project for the children's library Th'uruchapitas won the 2003 IBBY-Asahi Award
Brazil	Monthly newsletter. Website	Yes	Yes	<i>Salão do Livro para Crianças e Jovens</i> 2003 and 2004. Bologna 2003 and 2004. International Book Biennial of Rio de Janeiro 2003	FNLIJ Annual Award. 6 contests in different categories.	Yes, on a large scale. Assesses and works with governments, both national and local. Associates with large enterprises such as Petrobras.	<i>Salão do Livro</i> and its Seminar. Annual book selection. The Best reading Incentive Programmes for Children and Young people Contest (based on the IBBY-Asahi Reading Promotion Award)

Canada	Semi-annual newsletter. Catalogues: <i>The IBBY Honour List 1980-2000</i> . Website	Yes	Yes	Canadian nominees to IBBY Honour List. Show and tell/ <i>Montre et raconte</i> : incl. 2002-03 publication	Elizabeth Mrazik-Cleaver Canadian Picture Book Award. Frances E. Russell Award Claude Aubry Award	Yes, mainly with other organizations of children's literature.	ICBD celebrations; <i>Hot, Hot Cuba</i> fundraiser. Greeting cards illustrated with images of award winning books
Colombia	<i>Nuevas hojas de lectura (New Reading Sheets, virtual magazine)</i> <i>Altamente recomendados</i> (Highly Recommended), yearly. Website	Yes	Yes	Stand at International Book Fair of Bogotá. Dutch picture books, with the support of IBBY Netherlands, 2003	Norma-Fundalectura Award. Illustration contests.	Yes, on a large scale with National and local governments, and with private sector.	<i>Colombia Grows up by reading</i> , National Reading campaign. <i>Leer en familia (Reading with your family)</i> , a project assessed by Bookstart, UK. Assessment to public and school libraries
Croatia	Promotion of activities through national media. Website	Yes	Yes	Travelling Exhibition about Croatian writer Ivana Brlic-Mazuranic Croatian illustrators in BIB. Exhibition of Grigor Vitez Award.	Grigor Vitez Award	Yes, with institutions on national level.	Conferences on children's books. Quiz for reading promotion
Chile	Occasional promotion through media. Website	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Not on large scale.	
Denmark	<i>Klods Hans (Clumsy Hans)</i> , quarterly magazine. Website	Yes			<i>Klods Hans</i> Award.	With government, on small scale; with organizations not in a regular way.	Celebrations of HCA bicentennial

Egypt	<i>Adwaa ala al-magles el-masry lkotob al atfaa, (Lights on IBBY),</i> yearly newsletter	Yes	Yes	Participates in Cairo Book Fair	The Suzanne Mubarak Awards Co-organized contest of children's illustrations		Campaign <i>Read to Your Child.</i> Specialized library in Maadi
Estonia	Website	Yes		Tallinn Illustrations Triennial <i>The Power of Pictures</i>	Tower of Babel Award for translation	Yes, with organizations of children's literature.	3 -year project <i>Life is full of fairy tales</i>
Finland	<i>Virikkeitä</i> , quarterly newsletter. <i>Vuoden Wersot</i> , catalogue. <i>100 Kirjaa Lapsille ja Nuorille</i> , list of 100 best books. Website	Yes	Yes		Anni Swan Medal every three years to best Finnish book for children.	Yes, on small scale, with government.	Several publications, among those, proceedings of seminars. Partner in BARFIE Comenius 3
France	Column in <i>La Revue des livres pour enfants.</i> Co-writes book selection for magazine <i>Vient de paraître.</i> Website	Yes	Yes	<i>Salon du livre de jeunesse</i> at Monteuil. Paris book fair		Yes, on small scale.	Selection of children's books in foreign languages. Promotes children's literature programmes in French institutes
Germany	<i>JuLit</i> quarterly magazine. Various other publications and catalogues. Website	Yes	Yes	Stand at Frankfurt Book Fair	Organizes and presents annual award: <i>Deutscher Jugendliteraturpreis.</i>	Yes, on large scale with government and organizations.	Provides information as well as selection of children's and young people books
Greece	Annual bulletin. Website	Yes	Yes		Annual awards to children's books, illustrations, personality, teachers, libraries.	Yes, with other book organizations.	Celebration of ICBD

Iceland	<i>Born og menning</i> magazine for children, Website.	Yes	Yes		Annual award to writers, illustrators, translators, musician, theatre.	Yes, with publishers.	Development of a book of short stories on Norse mythology. Calendar with children's books illustrations
Iran	<i>The Encyclopedia for Young People</i> , Volume 8 and 9. <i>Faslnameh</i> , quarterly bulletin. <i>Bacheh-haye Ketab</i> , On reading promotion. Website	Yes	Yes	Annual exhibition of CBCI (Children's Book Council of Iran) recommended books. 3 exhibitions of <i>Iran in Children's Literature and reading promotion</i> . Exhibition of HL at Tehran International Book Fair.	CBCI plaques and diplomas to authors, illustrators, translators, publishers and personalities.	Yes, they assess NGOs and governmental institutions. Also with private agencies.	Reading promotion in several educational districts. Small libraries in deprived villages. Libraries for working and street children and in the Correctional Centre for boys in Tehran
Japan	Annual <i>JBBY Journal</i> . <i>JBBY newsletter</i> (3 or 4 times a year). Japanese edition of IBBY Honour List Catalogue. Website	Yes	Yes	Andersen Awards 1956-2002 exhibition Travelling exhibition <i>Hello Dear Enemy</i> . Travelling poster/art exhibition. Travelling exhibition of BIB'02 Travelling exhibition Best of Books for Young People with Disabilities 2002		Yes, on large scale with national and international organizations.	Co-organized Festival <i>Enjoy the Children's Book World</i> ; fundraising for illiterate children in India and Afghanistan. Festival for ICBD 2003
Latvia	Annotated bibliography on children's books, annual.	Yes	Yes	Exhibition <i>Meet the Children</i> (2002)	Spring Award (annual, since 2001 biennial). <i>Janis Baltvilks Prize</i> for children's literature	Yes, with publishers and national associations.	Children's jury

Lebanon	Lists of book selection (sent to schools)	Yes	Yes	Yes, with international cultural centres.	Prize for the best story for young people. Reading competitions at schools.	Yes, with publishers, schoolteachers and parents.	National Reading Week in April
Malaysia		Yes	Yes	BIB Illustrations, supported by Embassy of Slovakia Malaysian book display. Perlis Book Fair.		Yes, on large scale with government and professional associations in the book industry.	Will organize in 2005 the first international children's books fair
Mexico	Yearly guide of recommended books. Special publications like <i>Rumbo a la lectura (Toward reading)</i> Website	Yes	Yes	Stand at International children's and youngsters' book fair.		On a large scale with government and with other children's books organizations.	<i>Bunkos</i> (small, interactive libraries in underprivileged areas). Training of librarians for government. Specialized library
The Netherlands	Newsletter 3/year. Proceedings of the Leeuwarden congress. Brochures for 2004 exhibition Max Velthuijs poster. Poetry posters (6) for IBBY Latvia three in Dutch illustrated by Latvian illustrators.	Yes		Exhibition of Modern Dutch children's books for the book fair in Bogotá, Colombia. For IBBY Congress 2004, exhibition of Dutch and Frisian books (in cooperation with Biblionef.)	The Jenny Smelik/IBBY Prize, now biennial	Yes, on medium scale with government and other organizations.	Consultative activities
Palestine		Yes		Participation in Bologna and Frankfurt book fairs		Yes, to a large scale, through Tamer Institute.	National Reading Week.

Peru		Yes	Yes	Participation in Peru's international book fair. Travelling exhibition of ICBBD posters. Exhibition of children's books written by women.	Writing and illustration contests.	Yes, with national and local governments, and with other organizations	Consultative role for libraries and schools
Poland	Website				Annual Book of the Year prize. Medal for life achievements.	On small scale, with government, Polish Book Chamber and other institutions.	NS is an important source of information about Polish children's books and people
Russia	Section about IBBY in <i>Piterbook</i> monthly magazine. Annual calendar with activities. Website	Yes	Yes	Exhibitions: <i>Norwegian Picture Books Crossing Borders</i> , Ice Palace. <i>Illustrators of the world for children</i> , Moscow. <i>Children's art work</i> , Moscow <i>IBBY HL 2002</i> , both in St Petersburg and in Moscow.	The Best Book About Animals Award. Several contests for reading, writing and illustration.	Yes, on medium scale, with government and with private organizations.	Project <i>We write the book of Peace</i> with Moscow City Palace for Children's and Youth Creative Activity and with World Women Assembly. Regional festival for children in Sokolniki
Slovakia	<i>BIBIANA revue o umeni pre deti a mldeae</i> , (<i>Review of Arts for Children and Young People</i>), quarterly. Brochure IBBY and Slovakia for IBBY's Jubilee. Website.	Yes	Yes	Annual exhibition <i>The Finest and Best Children's Books</i> during Days of Children's Books.	<i>Cena Trojruza (Prize of the Three Roses)</i> <i>Cena Ludovit Fulla (Ludovit Fulla Prize)</i> . <i>The Finest and Best Books of Spring, Summer, Autumn and Winter</i> . <i>Plaketa Ludmily Podjavorinskej</i> .	Yes, on large scale, with governmental institutions and with international agencies like UNESCO.	Days of Children's Books, within ICBBD celebrations.

Slovenia	Annual Recommended List of Children's Books. Website.	Yes		Exhibitions <i>IBBY and the Slovenian Section of IBBY</i> and <i>IBBY Awards</i> , both part of annual exhibition <i>Bologna after Bologna</i> . Slovenia Biennial of Illustration.	Literary quiz for children in Slovenia and abroad. <i>My favourite book</i> , chosen by children. Levstik Award, with Mladinska knjiga publishing house. Verernica, national award for children's literature.	Yes. On large scale, with government and with other institutions.	ICBD celebrations; Storytellers Day in Ljubljana (April) and Maribor (May)
South Africa	<i>The Book Door</i> , quarterly newsletter. Biennial SACBF Honour List of South African children's books. Magazine for the 29 th IBBY Congress. Catalogue of exhibition <i>Proudly South African: 100 Children Books</i> . Website	Yes	Yes	Exhibition: <i>Proudly South African: 100 Children's Books</i> , launched at the 29 th IBBY Congress.	Vivian Wilkes Award	Not on large scale.	Organization of the 29 th IBBY Congress in Cape Town in 2004
Sweden	<i>IBBY bladet</i> , quarterly newsletter. <i>Nordisk blad</i> (Nordic news), annual magazine with other Nordic IBBY sections. Website	Yes	Yes	<i>Books are Bridges</i> travelling exhibition in Swedish, English, Spanish, and Russian versions, about Swedish illustrators for children over the past century. IBBY HL 2002 at Gothenburg Book Fair	<i>Peter Pan Prize</i> (several categories) Gulliver Award in cooperation with the Swedish Children's Book institute.	Yes, on a medium scale.	Representation in other organizations concerned with children's books

Thailand	<i>ThaiBBY Journal</i> , 3/yr. <i>Baan Chana Jai</i> , book for the House of juvenile delinquents	Yes	Yes	Annual <i>Book Festival for Young People</i> , in cooperation with PUBAT. Participation in other book fairs.	Illustrations for Young Readers (IYR) Awards, launched in 2001	Yes, with government, NGOs and private organizations.	Bookstart Project, advised by a Bookstart UK representative. Children's books selection for other organizations
United States	<i>USBBY Newsletter</i> , semi-annual. Website.	Yes.		Exhibition of IBBY HL 2002 in Chautauqua, NY: 5 th USBBY Regional Congress. Exhibition of Outstanding Books for Young People with Disabilities 2001, Salisbury State University, MD.	Bridge to Understanding Award.	Yes, with organizations throughout the country.	Consultative activities for individuals and organizations on whole range of issues on children's literature
Uruguay		Yes		Participation in National Book Fair 2003 and 2004.		On small scale, with other children's books institutions.	ICBD celebrations. Fundraiser <i>Letters X kilogram</i> for malnourished children; Storytelling Week in Region of Cerro Largo

Venezuela	<p>Annual newspaper with <i>El Nacional</i>, newspaper</p> <p>Lists of recommended children's books.</p> <p><i>El Banco del Libro recomienda</i>, bulletin of recommended books and CD-ROMs.</p> <p><i>Colección Formemos Lectores</i>, guides for teachers, librarians, parents.</p> <p><i>Enlaces con la crítica</i>, books and digital formats for children.</p> <p><i>Colección Parapara-Clave</i>, children's books criticism and reading promotion.</p> <p><i>Serie Aprendiendo con el libro recreativo (Learning with the Recreational Book Series)</i>.</p> <p>Website</p>	Yes	Yes	<p>Organizes the annual exhibition: The best books and CD-ROMs for children.</p> <p>Several exhibitions related to some of the Latin American IBBY NS.</p>	<p>Annual <i>Los Mejores libros y CD-ROMs para niños y juvenes</i> award (Best Books and CD-ROMS for Children)</p>	<p>Yes, on large scale, with government and private organizations.</p>	<p>A Documentation centre with an important database.</p> <p>A bookstore</p>
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COOPERATION WITH IBBY: INTERNATIONAL ACTIVITIES

As stated before, most of the National Sections feel a pride in belonging to IBBY and participate in at least one of IBBY's international activities. Table 4 summarizes the NS participation in IBBY's biennial Congresses and General Assemblies, as well as their activities around the International Children's Book Day. It includes those countries that did not submit their individual biennial reports. The NS that sent the report are distinguished by an asterisk (*) beside their name.

CONGRESSES AND GENERAL ASSEMBLIES

In the following table (4) all NS were included not only those that sent the Biennial Report so as to give the fuller picture of NS participation. The financial cost of participating in congresses remains the main reason for absences.

The first General Assembly in the relevant study period was held at the IBBY 28th Congress in Basel, Switzerland, the Jubilee Congress, in 2002. In total, 51 NS were represented at the General Assembly: 46 were represented directly and 3 by proxy (one was present but non-voting).

The second General Assembly was held at the IBBY 29th Congress in Cape Town, South Africa. Here, 49 NS were represented: 41 directly and 6 proxy (two NS were present but were non-voting).

It is clear that an IBBY congress is the main IBBY activity in which NS participate.

INTERNATIONAL CHILDREN'S BOOK DAY (ICBD)

Although not all the NS celebrate ICBD, there are many that hold a big event or a series of events on the 2nd of April: Austria, Brazil, Canada, Croatia, Chile, Greece, Latvia, Peru, Russia, Slovakia and Venezuela are among those. Brazil, Greece and Slovakia are particularly active.

The activities held that day often take place in schools and libraries: meetings with authors and illustrators; contests; readings and storytelling; exhibitions; conferences and lectures. Most of them use the message and poster from the sponsoring National Section.

Egypt celebrates two reading weeks in November, at the Cairo International Children's Book Fair. Palestine and Lebanon also organize a National Reading week.

There are some NS that do not organize activities but publicize the day through media and web pages; such is the case of Bolivia, Colombia, the United States and Uruguay.

TABLE 4: COOPERATION WITH IBBY: INTERNATIONAL ACTIVITIES

National Section	IBBY 28th Congress and General Assembly 2002, Basel, Switzerland	IBBY 29th Congress and General Assembly 2004, Cape Town, South Africa	<i>Bookbird</i> Associate Editors	International Children's Book Day (ICBD) Celebrations
Albania	Yes	no	yes	
Argentina	yes (non-voting)	Yes (non-voting)	yes	
Australia*	yes	no	yes	
Austria*	yes	yes	yes	Sponsored ICBD 2002
Belgium	yes	yes	no	
Bolivia*	yes	yes	no	Publicizes the message and poster
Brazil*	yes	yes	yes	Sponsored ICBD 2003
Bulgaria	yes	no	yes	
Canada*	yes	yes	yes	Wide range of activities
Chile*	yes	yes	yes	Wide range of activities
China	yes	yes	no	
Colombia*	yes	by proxy	yes	Publicizes the message and poster
Croatia*	yes	by proxy	no	
Cuba	yes	By proxy	yes	
Cyprus	yes	no	yes	
Czech Republic	by proxy	by proxy	yes	
Denmark*	yes	Yes	yes	
Egypt*	yes	Yes	no	Celebrates 2 weeks of Reading in November
Estonia*	<i>Re-joined in 2003</i>	No	no	Awards the Nukits prizes for authors and illustrators
Finland*	yes	Yes	yes	Wide range of activities
France*	yes	Yes	yes	
Germany*	yes	Yes	yes	
Ghana	no	No	yes	
Greece*	yes	Yes	yes	Sponsored ICBD 2004
Hungary	yes	Yes	yes	
Iceland*	yes	Yes	yes	
India	yes	Yes	yes	
Iran*	yes	yes	yes	
Ireland	yes	yes	yes	
Israel	yes	yes	no	
Italy	<i>Re-joined in 2003</i>	Yes (non-voting)	no	

Japan*	yes	Yes	yes	Wide range of activities
Kazakhstan	<i>Joined in 2004</i>	no	No	
Rep. of Korea	no	No	no	
Kuwait	no	No	yes	
Latvia*	yes	yes	no	Conferences and lectures on Children's Books
Lebanon*	yes	yes	no	Reading week in April
Lithuania	yes	yes	yes	
Malaysia*	yes	yes	no	
Mexico*	yes	no	yes	
Moldova	yes	No	no	
Netherlands*	yes	yes	yes	
New Zealand	no	yes	no	
Norway	yes	yes	yes	
Palestine*	<i>Joined in 2003</i>	Yes	no	National Reading Week in April
Panama	no	no	no	
Peru*	by proxy	by proxy	no	Some activities
Philippines	no	no	no	
Poland*	yes	yes	yes	
Portugal	yes	no	yes	
Romania	<i>Joined in 2004</i>	No	no	
Russia*	yes	yes	yes	Wide range of activities
Serbia & Montenegro	<i>Joined in 2003</i>	No	no	
Slovakia*	yes	Yes	yes	
Slovenia*	yes	Yes	yes	
South Africa*	yes	Yes	yes	
Spain	yes	Yes	no	
Sri Lanka	no	No	yes	
Sweden*	yes	yes	yes	
Switzerland*	yes	yes	yes	
Thailand*	by proxy	by proxy	no	
Turkey	no	no	yes	
Uganda	<i>Joined in 2004</i>	yes	no	
Ukraine	no	no	yes	
United Kingdom	yes	yes	no	
United States*	yes	yes	yes	Publicizes message and poster
Uruguay*	no	yes	no	Publicizes message and poster
Venezuela*	yes	yes	yes	Publicizes message and poster and holds an exhibition

COOPERATION WITH IBBY: AWARD NOMINATIONS

The following discussion and table (5) give an overview of all National Section nominations to IBBY awards or honours. They include those countries that did not submit their individual biennial reports, but nonetheless made nominations during the reporting period. The reporting NS are distinguished by an asterisk (*) beside their name.

HANS CHRISTIAN ANDERSEN AWARDS – AUTHORS AND ILLUSTRATORS

The Hans Christian Andersen Awards are presented biennially to an author and an illustrator whose complete works have made an important contribution to children's literature. This is the highest international distinction given to an author and an illustrator of children's books. They are acknowledged as the most widely known of IBBY's activities.

In 2002, the winners were the author Aidan Chambers and the illustrator Quentin Blake, both from the United Kingdom. In 2004, they were the author Martin Waddell from Ireland, and the illustrator Max Velthuijs from the Netherlands.

Nomination fees and the cost of preparing nominations are the main reasons why 22 NS did not submit nominees for either of the reported years. These reasons also apply to the other awards/honours listed below.

(Full details of the winners and nominees can be found in the dedicated special issue of *Bookbird*: volume 40, no.4, 2002; and, volume 42, no.4, 2004, and at www.ibby.org)

IBBY HONOUR LIST

The IBBY Honour List is a selection of outstanding books. The HL distinguishes authors, illustrators and translators whose work is particularly representative of their country and encourages their publication in other countries or languages.

In 2002, the IBBY Honour List included 129 titles (53 authors, 39 illustrators and 37 translators). In 2004, there were 54 authors, 44 illustrators and 42 translators nominated: a record number of 140 entries from 47 countries in 37 different languages.

(Full details of the IBBY Honour Lists can be found in the dedicated catalogues available from the IBBY Secretariat and at www.ibby.org)

IBBY-ASAHI READING PROMOTION AWARD

The IBBY-Asahi Reading Promotion Award was established in 1986 during the IBBY Congress in Tokyo and is sponsored by the Japanese Asahi Shimbun newspaper company. Until 2004 the Award was given annually to a group or institution whose outstanding activities are judged to be making a lasting contribution to reading promotion programmes for children and young people. In the future the Award will be given biennially to two groups of institutions.

The nominations are submitted by the National Sections of IBBY and may include projects from any part of the world. The jury consists of members of the IBBY Executive Committee. The prize of US\$ 10,000 and a diploma is presented to the winners.

In 2002, the Award went to the programme *Por el derecho a leer (For the right to read)*, in Argentina, nominated by IBBY Venezuela. In 2003, the Sister Libraries project of the Pedagogical Experiences Workshop in Bolivia received the Award; it was nominated by IBBY Bolivia. In 2004, the project First Words in Print from South Africa was given the Award; it was nominated by IBBY South Africa.

(Full details of the IBBY-Asahi Reading Promotion Award, and its winners, can be found in the dedicated catalogue published in 2002, available from the IBBY Secretariat, which provides an overview of winners since 1988. The detailed information about the winners of 2003 and 2004 can be found in IBBY's website: www.ibby.org)

OUTSTANDING BOOKS FOR YOUNG PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES

In 1985, IBBY created the Documentation Centre of Books for Disabled Young People in Oslo. The Centre's collection includes books and materials specifically created for young readers with special needs. These include donations and recommendations from National Sections, publishers and individuals alike. In 2002, the Director of the Centre, Nina Askvig Reidarson retired and the new Director, Heidi Cortner Boiesen, rehoused the project at the Haug Municipal Resource Centre for Young People with Disabilities, in Baerum/Oslo.

Due to the changes, no selection or catalogue was made in 2003 or 2004. However, at the time of writing this report, August 2005, a new selection of books and a new catalogue is available.

(Full details about the Outstanding Books for Young People with Disabilities Selections can be found in the dedicated catalogues, available from the IBBY Secretariat, and at the IBBY website: www.ibby.org)

TABLE 5: COOPERATION WITH IBBY: NOMINATIONS

National Sections	Hans Christian Andersen Award (winners in bold, finalist §)		IBBY Honour List (number of nominees)		IBBY-Asahi Reading Promotion Award (winners in bold, in 2003 there was a runner-up)	Books for Young People with Disabilities Selection, 2002 (number of titles nominated)
	2002	2004	2002	2004		
Albania	-	-	2	-	'Hope for the Future' (2003)	
Argentina	Ema Wolf (A) Istvan (I)	Ema Wolf (A) Istvan (I)	3	3	-	Hosted exhibition, 2002
Australia*			2	2	-	
Austria*	Renate Welsh (A) Linda Wolfsgruber (I)	Martin Auer (A) Linda Wolfsgruber (I)	3	3	National Book Week, Zimbabwe (2002)	
Belgium	Bart Moeyaert (A) § Marie Wabbes (I)	Bart Moeyarert (A) Kitty Crowther (I)	3	5	Supported Dutch nomination: <i>Ein Bücherbus in Nicaragua</i> /A Bookbus in Nicaragua (2002)	
Bolivia*	-	-	-	1	Sister Libraries (2003)	
Brazil*	Ruth Rocha (A) Nelson Cruz (I)	Joel Rufino dos Santos (A) § Angela Lago (I)	3	3	<i>Mala de Leitura</i> /Reading Suitcase (2002, 2004)	Hosted exhibition, 2002
Bulgaria	-	-	-	-	-	
Canada*	Dennis Lee (A) Michèle Lemieux (I)	Gilles Tibo (A) Marie-Louise Gay (I)	4	5	<i>Les livres dans la rue</i> /Books on the Street (2002, 2004) Mother Goose Programme (2003)	
Chile*	-	-	2	3	-	

China	Qin Wenjun (A) Wu Daisheng (I)	Cao Wenxuan (A) Wang Xiaming (I)	-	-	'Reading books for 10 minutes a day' (2003)	
Colombia*	-	-	2	3	-	
Croatia*	Zvonimir Balog (A) Vjekoslav Vojo Radoicic (I)	Visnja Stahuljak (A)	3	3	-	
Cyprus	-	-	1	1	-	
Czech Republic	-	-	2	2	SUK – All of Us Read (2002)	
Denmark*	Bjarne Reuter (A) § Lilian Brøgger (I)	Bjarne Reuter (A) § Lilian Brøgger (I)	3	3	Nordic Centre for Children's Literature, Chile (2003)	2
Egypt*	-	Helmi Abdel-Hamid El Touni (I)	2	2	-	
Estonia*	<i>Re-joined in 2003</i>	-	-	3	-	
Finland*	Hannele Huovi (A) Mika Launis (I)	Mauri Kunnas (I)	4	4	-	
France*	Jean Paul Nozière (A) Grégoire Solotareff (I) §	Jean Paul Nozière (A) Grégoire Solotareff (I) §	3	3	-	5
Germany*	Kirsten Boie (A) Rotraut Susanne Berner (I) §	Kirsten Boie (A) Rotraut Susanne Berner (I) §	3	3	Supported Dutch nomination: <i>Ein Bücherbus in Nicaragua/A Bookbus in Nicaragua</i> (2002, 2004)	
Greece*	Manos Kondoleon (A) Nicholas Andrikopoulos (I)	Alki Zei (A) Fotini Stephanidi (I)	3	3	-	1
Hungary	-	Krisztina Rényi (I)	2	2	-	
Iceland*	Gudrun Helgadóttir (A)	-	3	3	-	
India	-	-	2	-	-	

Iran*	Nasrin Khosravi (I)	-	3	3	-	Hosted exhibition
Ireland	Martin Waddell (A)	Martin Waddell (A)	4	3	-	
Israel	-	-	3	3	-	
Italy	<i>Re-joined in 2003</i>	Angela Nanetti (A) Roberto Innocenti (I) §	-	3	-	
Japan*	Momoko Ishii (A) Daihachi Ohta (I) §	Satoru Sato (A) Daihachi Ohta (I)	3	3	Caring for Young Refugees, Cambodia (2002)	
Kazakhstan	<i>Joined in 2004</i>	-	-	-	-	
Latvia*	-	-	-	-	-	
Lebanon*	-	-	-	-	-	
Lithuania	-	-	1	2	-	
Malaysia*	-	-	2	-	-	
Mexico*	-	-	-	2	-	
Moldova	-	-	3	2	-	
Netherlands*	Joke van Leeuwen (A) Harrie Geelen (I)	Paul Biegel (A) Max Velthuijs (I)	4	4	<i>Ein Bücherbus in Nicaragua/A Bookbus in Nicaragua (2002, 03, 04)</i>	
New Zealand	Margaret Mahy (A)	Margaret Mahy (A)	1	-	-	
Norway	Jostein Gaarder (A) Akin Düzakin (I)	Jon Ewo (A) Svein Nyhus (I)	3	3	-	
Palestine*	<i>Joined in 2003</i>	-	-	2	National Reading Campaign (2004)	
Panama	-	-	-	-	-	
Peru*	-	-	-	-	-	
Philippines	Rene O. Villanueva (A)	-	3	3	-	
Poland*	-	Józef Wilkon	2	3	-	
Portugal	Luísa Dacosta (A) António Modesto (I)	Luísa Ducla Soares (A) Danuta Wojciechowska (I)	3	3	-	
Russia*	Boris Diodorov (I)	Eduard Uspensky (A) Alexander Koshkin (I)	3	3	-	
Serbia & Montenegro	<i>Joined in 2003</i>	-	-	-	-	

Slovakia*	Milan Rúfus (A) Jana Kiselová-Siteková (I)	Ján Uliciánsky (A) Peter Cisárik (I)	3	3	-	
Slovenia*	Svetlana Makarovic (A) Marija Lucija Stupica (I)	-	3	3	<i>Knjigobube</i> Programme EPTA (2004)	
South Africa*	Niki Daly (I)	Lesley Beake (A) Niki Daly (I)	4	4	First Words in Print (2004)	
Spain	Juan Farias (A) Francisco Meléndez (I)	Juan Ferias (A) Javier Serrano (I) §	7	7	-	
Sweden*	Ulf Stark (A) Fibben Hald (I)	Barbro Lindgen (A) § Eva Eriksson (I)	3	3	-	
Switzerland*	Werner J. Egli (A) Béatrice Poncelet (I)	Jürg Schubiger (A) § Armin Geder (I)	3	5	<i>Club de lecturwe et du</i> <i>livre pour jeunes</i> <i>ruraux/Book club for</i> <i>young rural readers,</i> <i>Morocco (2002, 2003,</i> <i>2004)</i>	
Thailand*	-	-	-	3	-	
Turkey	Muzaffer Izgü (A) Ümit Ögmel (I)	-	3	-	ILKYAR, Foundation for Assistance in Elementary Schools (2002)	
Ukraine	-	-	1	1	-	
United Kingdom	Aidan Chambers (A) Quentin Blake (I)	Geraldine McCaughrean (A) Tony Ross (I)	3	3	European Picture Book Collection (2002)	
United States*	Susan Cooper (A) David Macaulay (I)	Lois Lowry (A) Vera B. Williams (I)	3	3	Hug-A-Book (2002) Reach out and Read (2003) (<i>runner up</i>)	
Uruguay*	-	-	-	-	-	
Venezuela*	-	-	3	3	For the right to read, Argentina (2002)	

COOPERATION WITH OTHER IBBY NATIONAL SECTIONS

The National Sections that cooperate with other NS reported the following activities in the period 2002-2004:

Bolivia: Exchange of Newsletters with Brazil.

Brazil: Cooperation with Cuba. Newsletter sent to all Latin American sections.

Canada: Collaboration with South Africa and Cuba. Information exchanges with Ireland, South Africa and USBBY.

Colombia: Collaboration with other Latin American NS through the virtual magazine www.relalij.org (no longer published), Gave financial aid to Cuba. Received support from The Netherlands in the form of an exhibition.

Croatia: Cooperation with Slovenian IBBY.

Denmark: Participation in the Nordic Sections meetings and cooperation in the production of the annual magazine *Nordisk Blad*.

Egypt: Cooperation with Lebanon and Kuwait through the Arab Council for Books for Children and Young People. Exchange of newsletter with USBBY and JBBY.

Estonia: Participation in the Nordic and Baltic meetings. Exchange of information with Lithuania and Latvia. In 2003, they received a visit from IBBY Denmark.

Finland: Participation in the Nordic Sections Meetings. Active communication via e-mail with many NS.

France: The Liaison Officer is a member of the Bookbird Inc. Board. Gave assistance to Cuba. Received support from IBBY Spain for a publication about books in Spanish.

Germany: Joint projects with Austria, Switzerland, France and The Netherlands. Exchange of newsletters with these NS.

Greece: Close cooperation with Cypriot IBBY. Biennial Report sent to all NS.

Iceland: Participation in the Nordic Sections meetings and cooperation in the production of the annual magazine *Nordisk Blad*.

Iran: Exchange of newsletters with USBBY and JBBY.

Japan: Cooperation with BIB 2003. Fundraising for India and Afghanistan. JBBY Journal sent to all NS.

Latvia: Participation in a conference organized by Lithuanian IBBY. Received assistance from Dutch IBBY. Information exchanges with Lithuania and Estonia.

The Netherlands: Bond of friendship with Latvia. Assistance sent to Romania and Lithuania. Collaboration with Flemish IBBY Section. Financial assistance given to Bulgaria, Lithuania and Uruguay for their annual dues. Sent books to Colombia for an exhibition.

Palestine: Information received from Ireland, United Kingdom and Sweden.

Peru: Exchange of information with Spain, Brazil and Argentina.

Russia: Collaboration with Ukraine, Estonia and India.

Slovakia: Collaboration with Czech Section. Meeting at BIB 2003 with representatives from the Czech Republic, Hungary, Poland, Croatia and Russia. Magazine sent in exchange to other NS.

Slovenia: Exchange of information with other NS.

South Africa: Twinned with USBBY. Financial support from USBBY, Canada, Sweden, JBBY and UK. Exchange of Newsletters with USBBY.

Sweden: Participation in the Nordic Section meetings and in the production of the annual magazine *Nordisk Blad*.

Thailand: Visit to JBBY and collaboration with China.

United States: Information exchange with many NS. Financial assistance given to the South African congress. Provision of funds to help other NS pay their dues. Newsletter sent to all NS.

Uruguay: Visited by Thomas van der Welt from South Africa in 2002.

Venezuela: Information exchange with the Latin American NS.