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Building for Effective Development

Children and Books: a Worldwide Challenge was the theme of IBBY's 28th Congress held in Basel in 2002 to celebrate the 50th birthday of the International Board on Books for Young People. The Jubilee Congress was chaired by IBBY's long-time Executive Director, Leena Maissen, and was honoured by the presence of Her Imperial Highness Empress Michiko of Japan, Her Excellency Suzanne Mubarak of Egypt and Ms. Ruth Dreifuss, Minister of Home Affairs of the Swiss Confederation.

It became clear during the Jubilee Congress that IBBY was at a crossroads: Leena Maissen was retiring after more than 30 years of loyal service, the Membership Assembly was preoccupied with IBBY governance, policy and procedure, and IBBY was having some "growing pains" that needed to be addressed.

Structural changes were made at the IBBY Secretariat. A new Executive Director was appointed in September 2003 and for the first time, she was not based at the Secretariat. Kimete Basha set up an IBBY branch office in Brussels, Belgium. At the same time, the function of the Executive Assistant was extended to become a full-time position and to include more administrative tasks. Liz Page was appointed IBBY's first Administrative Director and remained in Basel, Switzerland. The Executive Director focused on the overall management and co-ordination of IBBY's regular activities, its special projects and the formulation of a strategic plan for IBBY's growth and development; the Administrative Director ensured the smooth running of the Secretariat's important daily work. The existing website (<http://www.ibby.org>) was reviewed and work on a new design and structure began. The new site will be completed before the end of 2004, but already it has been extended to include access to the IBBY National Sections' Biennial Reports, Newsletters, Focus IBBY columns and additional information about the IBBY Awards and their sponsors. In addition and working in collaboration with the University of Innsbruck, IBBY's Secretariat is developing an electronic database of IBBY's extensive archives that should be available on the site in early 2005.

The Future of IBBY Subcommittee organized a survey of the IBBY membership to review IBBY's aims and objectives in the longer term. The majority of the IBBY National Sections completed the questionnaire and, in so doing, provided a rare insight into the thinking of the membership, including ideas concerning future directions that IBBY could take. The recommendations that have emerged from this survey will form the basis of discussions in the Future of IBBY sessions

at the Cape Town Congress. These deliberations will be a continuation of those begun in 2002 and we are hopeful that they will lead to a consensus about IBBY's future development.

Following the recommendation of the members at the Basel General Assembly, a Membership Subcommittee examined the Tamer Institute's application to establish an IBBY Section in Palestine. After six months of consultation and study that included a thorough review of IBBY's Statutes and other relevant documentation, the Subcommittee presented its report and recommended the acceptance of an IBBY Section in Palestine. In April 2003, Palestine joined IBBY's network which has grown in the last two years to include an unprecedented 68 National Sections.

We know that if IBBY is to continue to grow and thrive, its network must be strengthened and extended, particularly in Africa and Asia. One indication that IBBY has understood this is reflected in the choice of future IBBY congress sites. The 29th IBBY Congress will be held under the patronage of Graça Machel, wife of Nelson Mandela, and will be hosted in Cape Town by IBBY South Africa. Its theme is, "Books for Africa". In 2006, the 30th IBBY Congress will be hosted by IBBY China in Beijing. There, the theme will be "Children's Literature and Social Development".

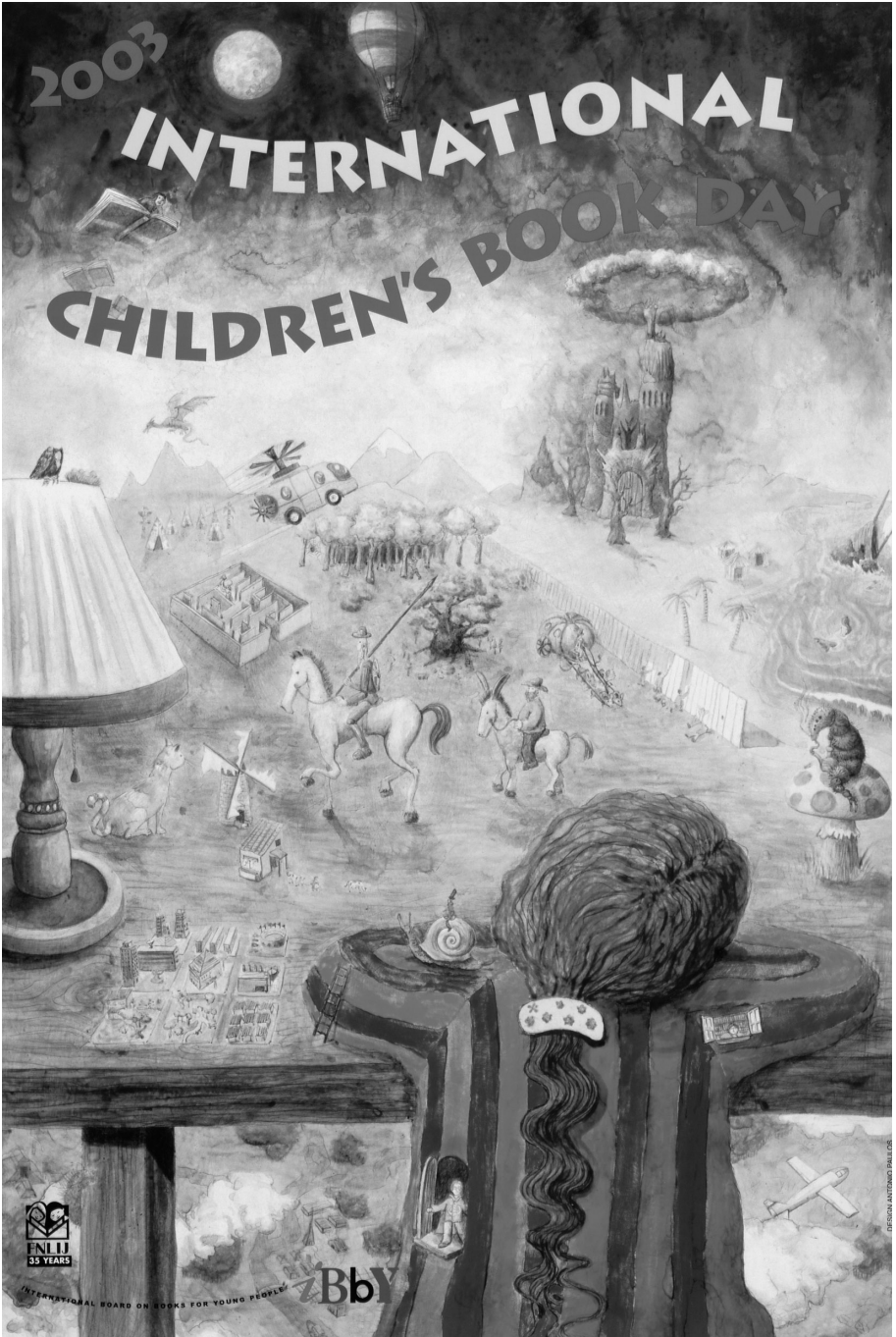
In April 2004, the Executive Committee accepted the proposal for the formation of committees for regional collaboration. National Sections may now form regional IBBY committees to encourage joint activities, promote a sense of shared purpose and develop projects that, by responding to local issues, may draw more regional and international sponsors.

This Biennial Report recognises the broad range of activities and efforts that have marked the last two years at IBBY. Much of the work has been dictated by the imperative to stay strong as a "family" while we grow, to be generous and supportive with each other as we develop, and to continue to fulfil IBBY's mission in a changing world.

*Peter Schneck
President of IBBY
August 2004*

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INTERNATIONAL CHILDREN'S BOOK DAY



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MEMBERSHIP

1.1

National Sections

By June 2004 IBBY had 68 National Sections. Panama was readmitted in 2002, and Estonia and Italy in 2003. Palestine and Serbia and Montenegro joined as new sections in 2003, and Kazakhstan, Romania and Uganda joined as new sections in 2004. Costa Rica withdrew their membership in 2002 because of financial and structural problems.

The following countries were members of IBBY as of June 2004:

Albania • Argentina • Australia • Austria • Belgium • Bolivia • Brazil • Bulgaria • Canada • Chile • China • Colombia • Croatia • Cuba • Cyprus • Czech Republic • Denmark • Egypt • Estonia • Finland • France • Germany • Ghana • Greece • Hungary • Iceland • India • Iran • Ireland • Israel • Italy • Japan • Kazakhstan • Korea (Republic of) • Kuwait • Latvia • Lebanon • Lithuania • Malaysia • Mexico • Moldova • Netherlands • New Zealand • Norway • Palestine • Panama • Peru • Philippines • Poland • Portugal • Romania • Russia • Serbia and Montenegro • Slovakia • Slovenia • South Africa • Spain • Sri Lanka • Sweden • Switzerland • Thailand • Turkey • Uganda • Ukraine • United Kingdom • United States • Uruguay • Venezuela

1.2

National Sections Biennial Reports, 2000-2002

45 of the then 62 National Sections (2000: 40 of 61) submitted reports of their activities during 2000-2002. A summary of the reports was prepared by *Kimete Basha* and published in April 2004.

1.3

Individual Members

Individual Membership is possible only in countries or territories where there is no National Section. By June 2004 IBBY had 11 Individual Members in 6 countries or territories: Bangladesh • Indonesia • Puerto Rico • Syria • Taiwan • Trinidad

Three new individual members joined IBBY after 2002:

- *Loujaina Al-Assil*, an artist from Damascus, Syria
- *Mofidul Hoque*, a publisher from Dhaka, Bangladesh
- *Cynthia James*, a writer and researcher from St. Augustine, Trinidad

Previous Individual Members from Palestine and Uganda became founding members of IBBY Sections in their countries. The Individual Member from Romania joined the newly formed Romanian Section.

1.4

Honorary Members

In 2004 IBBY had 14 Honorary Members in 11 countries. Honorary Membership is

recognition of outstanding contribution to the development of IBBY. *Christian Stottele* and *Nina Reidarson* were given Honorary Membership in 2002; *Leena Maissen* in 2003 and *Yoko Inokuma* in 2004.

1.5

Obituaries

- *Hans Halbey*, President of IBBY 1974-78, died in May 2003.
- *Eva Janikovszky*, Founding member and President of IBBY Hungary (1978-95) and member of the Hans Christian Andersen Jury 1986 and 1988, died in July 2003.
- *Christa Spangenberg*, original member of the IBBY Fund Raising committee and first donor to the IBBY Trust, died in September 2003.
- *Ena Noel*, President of IBBY Australia 1966-1991, member of IBBY Executive Committee 1982-86, died in December 2003.
- *Graciela Beatriz Cabal*, President of IBBY Argentina 1994-95, died February 2004.
- *Hannie Wolff*, founder of IBBY Netherlands and member of the Hans Christian Andersen Award Jury 1956, died May 2004.

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GENERAL ASSEMBLY

2.1

Minutes of the General Assembly

The 28th General Assembly of IBBY was held in Basel, Switzerland, 2 October 2002. Fifty of the 62 National Sections were represented by a delegate or by proxy. The minutes were sent to the membership in November 2002 and were accepted with one amendment in April 2003.

2.2

Elections

The following people were elected to serve as officers of IBBY during the period 2002-2004 (* = second term):

President of IBBY:

- *Peter Schneck*, Former Head of Children's Literature, Literature Division, Federal Chancellery section of the Arts in Vienna, Austria.

President of the Andersen Jury:

- *Jeffrey Garrett*, Acting Head of Collections at Northwestern University Library, Evanston, Illinois, USA.

Executive Committee:

- *Nathalie Beau**, Secretary General of IBBY France, Paris, France.

- *Peter Cacko**, Director of the Bibiana International House of Art for Children in Bratislava, Slovakia.
- *Huang Jianbin*, Secretary General of IBBY China, President of Fujian Children's Publishing House, Fuzhou, China.
- *Xosé Antonio Neira Cruz**, journalist, lecturer, writer and translator in Santiago de Compostela, Spain.
- *Anne Pellowski*, lecturer, writer and storyteller, Winona, Minnesota, USA.
- *Vagn Plenge*, publisher Hjulet and founder of ALOA (Centre for literature from Africa, Asia, Latin America and Oceania), Frederiksberg, Denmark.
- *Elizabeth Serra**, Secretary General of Fundação Nacional do Livro Infantil e Juvenil, the Brazilian Section of IBBY in Rio de Janeiro.
- *Nilima Sinha**, writer and President of the Indian Section of IBBY in New Delhi, India.
- *Chieko Suemori*, publisher Suemori Books, Tokyo, Japan.
- *Jant van der Weg-Laverman*, President of IBBY Netherlands, writer, lecturer and translator, Leeuwarden, Netherlands.

Auditors

(not members of Executive Committee):

- *Peter Gyr*, Director of the Library, Media and School Theatre

Information Centre in Lucerne, Switzerland.

- *Fritz Rothacher*, former Chief Executive Officer of the Franz Carl Weber Toy Company, Thalwil, Switzerland.

3

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

3.1

Officers and representatives

The Executive Committee elected *Elizabeth Serra* and *Nilima Sinha* as Vice Presidents. *Ex officio* members: *Urs Breitenstein* (Basel, Switzerland) was elected as IBBY Treasurer in October 2002. *Leena Maissen* (Basel, Switzerland) was reconfirmed as IBBY Executive Director in October 2002. In April 2003 she retired from her position and in September 2003 *Kimete Basha* (Brussels, Belgium) was appointed to succeed her. The editorial team of *Bookbird* was comprised of *Evelyn Freeman*, *Barbara Lehman*, *Lilia Ratcheva-Stratieva* and *Patricia Scharer*. A new editorial team of *Bookbird* was appointed in April 2004 to succeed the existing team in January 2005. *Maryann Macdonald* and *Patricia Marx* represented IBBY on the UNICEF NGO Committee in New York. Karin Haller continued as liaison officer to the UN agencies in Vienna. At present there is no liaison to UNICEF in Geneva. *Kimete Basha* represented IBBY at UNESCO meetings in Paris.

SUBCOMMITTEES

At the joint meeting of the old and the new Executive Committee in Lucerne, 2002, it was decided that acting Executive Committee members could invite former Executive Committee members to work together with them in subcommittees. Subcommittee chairpersons work together with the Secretariat and make progress reports to the Executive Committee at its regular meetings.

4.1

Dues Subcommittee

Chair: *Jant van der Weg* with *Urs Breitenstein*, *Vagn Plenge* and *Peter Schneck*.

Responsibility: To define and suggest a new dues structure for IBBY membership.

4.2

Election Committee

Chair: *Elizabeth Serra* with *Nilima Sinha* and *Peter Cacko*.

Responsibility: To encourage, suggest and support nominations for the election of IBBY officers 2004 -2006.

4.3

Fund Raising Subcommittee

Chair: *Urs Breitenstein*, with *Carmen Diana Dearden*, *Huang Jianbin*, *Juan de Isasa*, *Katherine Paterson*, *Tayo Shima* and *Christian Stottele*.

Responsibility: To find additional sources of funding for IBBY. The subcommittee was

replaced in October 2003 by a Fund Raising Team made up of members suggested by *Kimete Basha* and approved by the Executive Committee. Members of the Team are *Catherine Mitchell*, *Jacqueline Kergu no*, *Wally De Doncker*, *Michael O'Brien*, *Jeffrey Brewster* and *Judith O'Malley*. *Carmen Diana Dearden*, *Juan de Isasa*, *Katherine Paterson* and *Christian Stottele* have agreed to serve as Board members for the proposed IBBY Foundation.

4.4

Future of IBBY Subcommittee

Chair: *Peter Schneck* with *Elizabeth Serra*, *Nilima Sinha*, *Vagn Plenge*, *Anne Pellowski*, *Kimete Basha* and *Liz Page*.

Responsibility: To organize a comprehensive survey of National Sections by inviting the participation of all members in the discussions about the future of IBBY and to encourage their recommendations. A report based on the findings of the survey was prepared by *Peter Schneck* and *Kimete Basha* and sent to the National Sections. These findings form the basis of the discussions of the Future of IBBY sessions at the Cape Town Congress. The final report will be presented in an open session at the Membership Assembly. Additionally, the subcommittee was called upon to formulate Rules of Conduct that would ensure both wider participation in meetings and clearer guidelines for the conduct of all IBBY meetings.

4.5

Membership Subcommittee

Chair: *Nilima Sinha* with *Vagn Plenge*, *Peter Cacko*, *Jeffrey Garrett*, *Huang Jianbin*, *Elizabeth Serra* and *Chieko Suemori*.

Responsibility: To study the application of the Tamer Institute of Ramallah to establish an IBBY Section in Palestine and to present a detailed report in advance of April 2003. The report took into account the views and recommendations presented at the General Assembly.

4.6

Searchcommittee: Executive Director 2004

Chair: *Peter Schneck* with *Patsy Aldana*, *Urs Breitenstein*, *Jacqueline Kergu no*, *Elizabeth Serra*, *Nilima Sinha*, *Chieko Suemori* and *Jant van der Weg*.

Responsibility: To organize all aspects of the search for the new Executive Director of IBBY. This former subcommittee was reconvened in April 2004 to launch a search for a successor for *Kimete Basha* who announced in April 2004 that she would not renew her contract at the end of September 2004.

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EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETINGS

5.1

Meetings

In 2002-2004, the Executive Committee scheduled five meetings as follows:

- Lucerne: October 2002 (old and new Executive Committee together)
- Bologna: April 2003
- Havana: October 2003
- Bologna: April 2004
- Cape Town: September 2004

Information about the deliberations and decisions of the Executive Committee has been passed on to the National Sections in circulars, news releases, newsletters, and via the Internet. Some of the main matters of business are listed below.

5.2

Topic: New Executive Director: Transition or Bringing Change

At its April 2003 meeting in Bologna, the IBBY Search Committee announced its decision to appoint *Kimete Basha* to succeed *Leena Maissen* in her function as Executive Director of IBBY. The new Executive Director was charged with the task of continuing efforts to develop and expand the work of the Secretariat while improving services to members and assuring the growth and impact of IBBY's international network. The Executive Committee defined two key areas of responsibility for the Executive Director.

These were to develop an improved communications structure for IBBY and to define more effective fund raising practices. *Kimete Basha* set out a vision statement in which she identified and received approval for efforts in five priority areas: to improve service to members, to develop a strategy of alliance building, to incorporate new technologies, to develop existing projects and to ensure sustainable funding.

5.3

Topic: Communications and Comprehensive Information Policy

Improved electronic communication has become an indispensable tool of the IBBY network. Nearly all IBBY National Sections have an e-mail address; a growing number (35 in July 2004) have their own website. IBBY's own website, <http://www.ibby.org> has been extended to include access to the IBBY National Sections' Biennial Reports, Newsletters, Focus IBBY columns and more information about the IBBY Awards and their sponsors. A complete review of the existing website was undertaken. The new IBBY website will include two platforms: a public site with access to selected IBBY information and services and a members' site that is password protected and specifically serves and informs the IBBY community. New features will include a Members' Forum where IBBY documents are available online, an Archives library where digitized copies of all major IBBY publications are retrievable and an international IBBY calendar of events.

The possibility for an online exchange of information that could encourage and support collaboration among IBBY National Sections, is also part of the overall design and structure of the new site. A review of all IBBY print sources (Biennial Report, Address List, Newsletter) was undertaken at the same time.

5.4

Topic: Fund Raising: Strategic Objectives and Evolutionary Methods

Finances and fund raising are central issues in Executive Committee deliberations. During the past term, donations and in-kind contributions were received from a number of donors who are acknowledged separately in this report. As part of an overall policy to find sustainable funding, *Kimete Basha* defined a strategic plan for a long-term IBBY fund raising campaign. To this end, a Fund Raising Team was established (see members list above). The team is preparing an Information Booklet about IBBY's work worldwide and has contributed to the revision of the Biennial Report Questionnaire to include a more comprehensive investigation of fund raising methods and objectives of National Sections. Meetings with representatives of the European Commission and fund raising consultants have taken place and will be pursued in the new reporting period. Potential new donors and sponsors have been identified and include business and corporate interests. Members of the Executive Committee have

urged the need to consider new approaches to fund raising at IBBY.

5.5

Topic: IBBY Meetings: Rules of Procedure and Transparency

The 2002 General Assembly was exceptional: it attracted many non-delegates who participated in the debate about Palestine membership and it highlighted the importance of Rules of Conduct for IBBY meetings that are both understood and applied. The Executive Committee discussed and formulated a set of guidelines for conduct of delegates to the General Assembly that address the need to differentiate between the right to speak and the right to vote at these meetings. It approved a set of Rules of Procedure that have been sent to all National Sections and, in particular to delegates to the 2004 General Assembly in Cape Town. Discussions in the Executive Committee focused on assuring the conditions for effective IBBY meetings while responding to membership demands for increased transparency and involvement in those meetings.

5.6

Topic: From IBBY Trust to IBBY Foundation

In April 2004 the Executive Committee decided to begin the process of transferring the assets of the IBBY Trust into an IBBY Foundation. The IBBY Trust served as a reserve of funds whose primary purpose was to support special projects and, if necessary,

to respond to crisis situations. It is expected that an IBBY Foundation would continue in this purpose but would also become the conduit for more substantial, tax-free gifts from international donors. Since 1998, the Trust has received no donations but has benefited from the sound investments and transactions of IBBY's financial advisor, *Dr. Vincent Frank-Steiner* to yield annual profits. The Executive Committee agreed that the total amount of Trust funds, with the exception of sums already allocated, would be donated to the IBBY Foundation as seed money. The final decision will be made at the Cape Town Executive Committee meetings pending the approval of the Foundation's charter by the authorities of the Swiss Canton St. Gallen, where the Foundation would be located. The Executive Committee has ensured IBBY control of the Foundation by stipulating that the IBBY Executive Committee would maintain control of the Foundation's Board and that voting Board members would be persons closely related to IBBY but who do not have a current function within IBBY.

5.7

Topic: Committees for Regional Collaboration

Increased regional co-operation and twinning among IBBY sections has been one of the positive developments during the past years. The biennial regional conferences in the United States, the meetings and joint publications of the Latin American and

Nordic sections have continued with success. Some National Sections have established closer bilateral links: IBBY Netherlands has supported the Latvian Children's Book Centre, IBBY Canada has continued its twinning partnership with IBBY Cuba and USBBY is supporting IBBY South Africa. In the last term IBBY Netherlands established closer ties with IBBY Uruguay and will support the section financially over the next three years. These examples of bilateral initiatives have encouraged innovative projects between the partners. The Executive Committee discussed these successes and sought ways to encourage and extend them wherever possible. In April 2004, it accepted the proposal for the formation of committees for regional collaboration. National Sections may now form regional IBBY committees to encourage joint activities, promote a sense of shared purpose and develop projects that, by responding to local issues, may draw more regional and international sponsors.

5.8

Topic: Bookbird

The financial situation of Bookbird Inc. continued to be a matter of concern and attention for the Executive Committee: it is imperative to increase the number of subscriptions of IBBY's journal, *Bookbird* and to extend its readership either through online services or in print. The Executive Committee considered possible approaches, particularly the extended use of new information technologies and online subscription

databases as a tool for an improved distribution of the journal and increased publicity. (See 10.5)

The new editorial team will address this challenge. In 2003 the *Bookbird* editors undertook a survey of the readership via a questionnaire included in the journal and a similar survey of the 43 *Bookbird* associate editors. Few responses were received from either group.

5.9

Topic: Members' Services and Support

The concerns of the member countries are always important topics on the Executive Committee agenda as are the initiatives that are aimed at improving services to members. As well as responding to appeals for support through the Solidarity Fund from Argentina, Bolivia, Kazakhstan, Moldova, Panama, Ukraine and Venezuela, the Executive Committee has tried to define a long-term approach to improving member services and support. The website as a tool for exchange; a revised dues structure; improved communication between IBBY's officers and members; member discounts and fund raising models for members are some of the responses that the Executive Committee has considered.

5.10

Topic: Congresses

The Executive Committee has discussed the organization of IBBY's Congresses in general and has been following the preparations of the Congresses up to 2010. Congress guidelines were revised. *Jay Heale* and his team have provided regular and informative progress reports about the 29th Congress in Cape Town. Preparations for the 30th IBBY congress in Beijing are well under way and *Peter Schneck*, accompanied by *Urs Breitenstein* and *Liz Page*, travelled to China in May 2004 to meet CBBY Congress organizers and sponsors.

5.11

Topic: Partnerships

Executive Committee discussions considered the importance of maintaining or developing contacts with national and international organizations or partner institutions. Executive Committee members encouraged a strategy of alliance that could help to improve IBBY's international reputation (public relations), strengthen IBBY's place and voice in the field of children's books (advocacy) and provide access to funds and partners for projects (fund raising). *Kimete Basha* met traditional partners of IBBY to establish personal relationships; to assess the existing partnerships in terms of their potential for development; and to identify potential partners and contacts for the future. Extending these partnerships through project-based collaborations and information

sharing would help to ensure that IBBY is recognized and engaged as a trusted partner and excellent source of expertise on quality children's literature.

5.12

Topic: IBBY Dues Structure or Defining Objective, Measurable and Fair Criteria

The Executive Committee devoted a great deal of time and effort to examining the existing dues structure. Its aim was evaluate the established criteria for fairness and to suggest changes if necessary. The Dues subcommittee recommended that the existing criteria would be maintained but that the number of categories would increase to 8 from the 5 that now operate. If accepted, this change could be effective as of 2005 and would go a long way to ensuring that National Sections from developing regions of the world or from those confronting economic or political instability could be assessed as flexibly and fairly as possible. At the same time, no decrease would be incurred in IBBY's income from membership fees and new members would be able to apply for starter membership discounts.

5.13

IBBY Awards: Reaching More Members

The Executive Committee considered the costs for National Sections of nominating candidates for the IBBY Awards and discussed ways to alleviate the financial burden that these may create. Engaging as

many National Sections in as many IBBY activities as possible is a continuing priority and will remain a major target of future fund raising drives.

6 PRESIDENT

6.1

Communication

During his term in office, IBBY's President *Peter Schneck* has been in regular contact with the Secretariat, the Executive Committee members, and many National Sections by phone, fax and e-mail.

6.2

Activities

Besides chairing the regular Executive Committee meetings in Lucerne 2002, Bologna 2003 and 2004 and Havana 2003, and the IBBY press conferences in Bologna, the President worked closely with *Leena Maissen*, *Kimete Basha* and *Liz Page* in the period of transition that followed the retirement of *Leena Maissen*. The President supported the efforts of *Kimete Basha*, the new Executive Director and *Liz Page*, the new Administrative Director to facilitate the changes. He attended meetings in Lucerne, Basel, Bratislava, Vienna, Havana and Bologna. He attended five meetings in Basel and one in Brussels dealing with IBBY's financial and structural policies. In his capacity as President of IBBY, he was a

member of the Hans Christian Andersen Jury, which met in Basel in April 2004. In December 2002, the President represented IBBY on the Jury for UNESCO's Prize for Tolerance in Children's Literature.

During his presidency he visited Indonesia, Singapore, Iran, Uganda, China, Japan, New Zealand, Australia to contact IBBY's National Sections in those countries and to make contacts for IBBY's future development.

7 EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEMBERS

7.1

Vice Presidents

Vice President *Elizabeth Serra* was member of the Basel Congress Committee, in particular the working group selecting the seminar speakers, and attended meetings in Lucerne, Bologna, Havana and Cape Town. She participated as jury member in the IBBY-Asahi Reading Promotion Award in 2002, 2003 and 2004. She was active in the Future of IBBY subcommittee and is a member of the 2004 Search Committee. Together with IBBY representatives from Argentina, Canada, Colombia and Cuba, she was on the planning committee for *Lectura 2003* in October 2003 when IBBY's fiftieth anniversary was celebrated in Havana. She has actively promoted IBBY within educational and cultural institutions in Brazil.

She chaired the IBBY Election Committee 2004.

Nilima Sinha was a member of the Basel Congress Committee and chaired the Membership subcommittee that investigated and reported about the application of Palestine to become a member of IBBY. She was a member of the Future of IBBY subcommittee and is a member of the 2004 Search Committee. She also is a member of the Election Committee 2004. She was a member of the IBBY-Asahi Reading Promotion Award Jury 2002, 2003 and 2004, and attended meetings in Lucerne, Bologna, Havana and Cape Town. She has been instrumental in developing closer ties amongst IBBY National Sections in neighbouring areas of India and has spearheaded the development of committees for regional collaboration.

7.2

Executive Committee Members

Nathalie Beau was member of the Basel Congress Committee, in particular in the working group selecting the seminar speakers. She attended meetings in Lucerne, Bologna, Havana and Cape Town. She was a member of the 2004 IBBY-Asahi Reading Promotion Award Jury. She is a member of Bookbird Inc. Board and was involved in the search for the new Bookbird editors. She represented IBBY at the Salon du Livre de Jeunesse in Montreuil in 2002 and 2003 and

attended the IFLA Conference in Buenos Aires in 2004.

Peter Cacko attended meetings in Lucerne, Bologna, Havana and Cape Town. He served on the Membership subcommittee, was member of the Basel Congress Committee, and organized a meeting of representatives of IBBY National Sections from Central and Eastern Europe with *Peter Schneck* and *Kimete Basha* in Bratislava during the opening of BIB'03. He has contacted, visited and discussed with the Presidents of the Czech, Polish, Croatian, Slovenian and Hungarian National Sections ways in which they can work together more effectively in the future and co-ordinate activities and projects of mutual interest.

Huang Jianbin was a member of the Membership subcommittee and the Fund Raising subcommittee. He attended meetings in Lucerne, Bologna, Havana and Cape Town. He is a member of the Organizing Committee for the 30th IBBY Congress in Beijing and is the liaison between the Executive Committee and the Congress Organizing Committee. He prepared discussions in China in May 2004 between the visiting IBBY delegation and Chinese IBBY in preparation for the Congress.

Xosé Antonio Neira Cruz attended meetings in Lucerne, Bologna, Havana and Cape Town. He served on the Basel Congress Committee and was a member of the IBBY-

Asahi Reading Promotion Award Jury 2002 and 2003. He chaired the IBBY-Asahi Reading Promotion Award Jury in 2004. He advocated for the integration of electronic media and technologies in IBBY practice and for the development of an interactive and multi-lingual website. He is chairperson of the 32nd IBBY Congress to be held in Santiago de Compostela in 2010 and is actively seeking funding for both the congress and the establishment of an IBBY Documentation Centre of Children's Books from Linguistic and Cultural Minorities.

Anne Pellowski attended meetings in Lucerne, Bologna, Havana and Cape Town. She served on the Future of IBBY subcommittee and on the 2004 IBBY-Asahi Reading Promotion Award Jury. Informally, she spoke of IBBY at a number of professional meetings while giving storytelling or cloth book workshops. The venues included the European Council of International Schools: Early Childhood Conference in Amsterdam, March 2003; New York Public Library, December 2003 meeting of all children's librarians. As a volunteer in the name of IBBY she gave workshops in making cloth books to persons in areas of minority languages where there are few children's books. She gave three such workshops in Guarani, Paraguay in October 2003.

Vagn Plenge served as a member of the Membership subcommittee, the Dues

subcommittee and on the Future of IBBY subcommittee. He attended meetings in Lucerne, Bologna, Havana and Cape Town. He also served as the liaison to the organizers of the IBBY Congress in Cape Town. He is a member of the board of IBBY Denmark, and at present, is charged with the preparations of the 31st IBBY Congress in Copenhagen in 2008. He has participated in all Nordic IBBY meetings since 2001 and in December 2003 participated in the conference organized by IBBY Ireland in Dublin, entitled *Fighting for Writing*. He has visited numerous IBBY National Sections in other countries, in particular Peru and Brazil, and met IBBY members all over the world. A report of his experience in the Executive Committee and views on the various IBBY issues is available at the IBBY Denmark website at www.ibby.dk.

Chieko Suemori attended meetings in Lucerne, Bologna, Havana and Cape Town. She was a member of the IBBY-Asahi Reading Promotion Jury 2004, a member of the Membership subcommittee and of the 2004 Search Committee. She has provided a vital link between IBBY and its sponsors in Japan, liaising regularly with JBBY, IBBY and the sponsors.

Jant van der Weg attended meetings in Lucerne, Bologna, Havana and Cape Town. She chaired the IBBY Dues subcommittee and was a member of the IBBY-Asahi Reading Promotion Award Jury 2004. She

was a member of the former Future of IBBY subcommittee in the 2002-03 search for a new Executive Director and in this capacity, interviewed several candidates and attended meetings in Bologna. She is a member of the 2004 Search Committee. She helped organize the regional IBBY conference in Leeuwarden (NL), which brought together delegates from the United Kingdom, Flanders (Belgium), Germany, Latvia, the Netherlands and Friesland. Furthermore, she visited the Latvian Children's Books Centre in Riga with a delegation of IBBY Netherlands and assisted in the development of the Dutch section's association with IBBY Uruguay.

7.3

Andersen Jury President

Jeffrey Garrett attended meetings in Lucerne, Bologna and Cape Town. He prepared the Andersen Jury selection and guided the elected Jurors through the process of choosing the 2004 winners. He chaired the two meetings of the Jury in Basel in April 2004 and announced the winners during the IBBY Press Conference at the Bologna Book Fair in April. He wrote a report on the work of the Jury for Bookbird. He was a member of the Membership subcommittee.

7.4

Treasurer

Urs Breitenstein has regularly visited the IBBY Secretariat to supervise IBBY's finances, review the bookkeeping, liaise with the IBBY

financial advisor and help to develop fund raising strategies. He attended meetings in Lucerne, Bologna, Vienna, Bratislava, Havana and Cape Town. He was a member of the Basel Congress Committee. As President of Schwabe Publishing in Basel, he was a key figure in securing sponsorship for the printing of the IBBY Honour List 2004 catalogue. In May 2004 he joined *Peter Schneck* and *Liz Page* in China to meet the 2006 Congress organizers. He accompanied *Peter Schneck* to Japan in May 2004 where he attended the Annual General Meeting of the Japanese Board on Books for Young People, visited and thanked the sponsors Nissan and the Asahi Shimbun for their generous support and was received at the Imperial Palace by *Her Imperial Highness, Empress Michiko of Japan*.

7.5

Bookbird Editors

Evelyn Freeman, *Barbara Lehman* and *Patricia Scharer* attended numerous conferences in 2003 and 2004. They attended Executive Committee meetings in Lucerne, Bologna, Havana and Cape Town. Throughout they distributed calls for manuscripts, made personal contacts with potential manuscript authors, and shared information about *Bookbird* and IBBY.

Lilia Ratcheva-Stratieva attended the Executive Committee meetings in Lucerne and Bologna and represented IBBY at meetings of European theoretical journals on

children's literature in Vienna and Bologna, where she presented information about the forthcoming issues. She co-ordinated the BARFIE symposium "Phenomena of Postmodernism in Contemporary Illustration for Children" in connection with the opening of BIB'03 in Bratislava, September 2003.

The *Bookbird* editors were members of the Basel Congress Committee.

8 SECRETARIAT

8.1

Staff and Office

As of September 2003, IBBY's staff worked in two locations. The Executive Director, *Kimete Basha* was based in Brussels while the Administrative Director, *Liz Page* continued to work in Basel. The Secretariat officially remained in Basel. Both staff members were full-time employees.

8.2

Transition

The Secretariat underwent major changes after the retirement of *Leena Maissen*. The Executive Director was no longer based in Basel, Switzerland but in Brussels, Belgium. The position of Executive Assistant was extended to include more administrative functions and became a full-time position of Administrative Director. Job descriptions were re-assessed and redefined.

Broadly speaking, the Executive Director is responsible for the overall management and co-ordination of IBBY's regular activities and special projects and for the strategic planning for IBBY's growth and development. She represents IBBY to the public, on government agencies and in various international organizations and maintains relations with National Sections, sponsors and patrons. The Executive Director edits the column *Focus IBBY* in *Bookbird*, the *IBBY Newsletter* and the IBBY website. She is responsible for the IBBY Honour List catalogues, and works closely with congress organizers.

The Administrative Director is responsible for administering IBBY's daily work that includes correspondence with those interested in membership or information about IBBY. She maintains address files, mailing lists, and registers books nominated for IBBY awards. She organizes meetings and exhibitions, participation in book fairs, and the shipments of books and other IBBY materials. She prepares the minutes of IBBY meetings, organizes IBBY's archives and assists in the preparation of publications. She administered the 2004 Hans Christian Andersen Awards, the 2004 IBBY Honour List and the IBBY-Asahi Reading Promotion Award in 2004.

Liz Page was appointed Administrative Director of IBBY in September 2003, and between May 2003 and September 2003 acted as interim Executive Director of IBBY.

Kimete Basha was appointed Executive Director in September 2003, but began her work unofficially soon after Bologna 2003. She visited Basel in May and July 2003 where, as well as consulting IBBY documents, she met *Peter Schneck*, *Leena Maissen*, *Urs Breitenstein*, *Liz Page*, and IBBY's financial advisor to prepare the transition.

8.3

Activities

Leena Maissen was organizer and chairperson of the 50th Jubilee Congress of IBBY in Basel September-October 2002, and in co-operation with *Liz Page* responsible for the many related events, exhibitions and publications. She edited the Congress Proceedings, published in October 2003. She co-ordinated and participated in Executive Committee meetings in Lucerne 2002 and Bologna 2003.

After 33 years of service to IBBY, *Leena Maissen* retired from her position of IBBY Executive Director in May 2003. She was made Honorary Member of IBBY and invited to participate in forthcoming IBBY Congresses as an honorary guest. She was celebrated by the Bologna Children's Book Fair and several National Sections extended invitations to her to attend special events. She presented IBBY's message at the 90th birthday celebrations of the president of IBBY Russia, *Sergei Mikhalkov*, in Moscow, March 2003. She attended the presentation of the

first Astrid Lindgren Memorial Award and related conference in Stockholm in June 2003. She received a commemorative medal at the opening of BIB'03 in Bratislava as a guest of IBBY Slovakia. As the Guest of Honour at the Cuban Regional Conference, *Lectura 2003, para leer el XXI*, she gave the closing speech in Havana in October-November 2003. In November 2003, she was invited by JBBY and the Japanese National Diet Library's International Library of Children's Literature to speak in Tokyo about the Hans Christian Andersen Awards. Accompanied by *Jay Heale* and *Aidan Chambers*, she helped to promote the travelling exhibition that she had co-organized, which presented the Andersen Award winners. During her regular visits to Helsinki she met members of IBBY Finland and contributed several articles to their journal *Virikkeitä*. In Basel she participated in local meetings of Swiss IBBY. Together with *Liz Page*, she attended the IBBY stand during the Basel Literature Festival, BuchBasel, in 2003 and 2004.

Kimete Basha co-organized and participated in the Executive Committee meetings held in Havana in 2003 and in Bologna and Cape Town in 2004. She attended the Andersen Jury meeting in Basel in April 2004 on which she served as an *ex officio* member. She attended the Frankfurt Book Fair in 2003 and met representatives of the ALMA prize, the International Youth Library, IFLA and other potential partner organizations. She visited

the Austrian Section in Vienna in September 2003 and attended the opening of BIB'03 in Bratislava as well as the adjoining symposium. On this occasion, thanks to arrangements made by *Peter Cacko*, she was able to meet representatives of IBBY National Sections from Central and Eastern Europe and from Scandinavia. In the same period, she met with representatives of Innsbruck University and web designers to plan the transfer of IBBY archives into digital form, visited the Swiss Institute in Zurich, the International Youth Library in Munich and members of IBBY Switzerland. In November 2003 she attended both the IBBY-Flanders and the IBBY-Francophone meetings in Belgium. On both occasions, she engaged in a public debate about IBBY's future. *Kimete Basha* attended the IBBY Ireland conference, *Fighting for Writing* in December 2003 where she was invited to speak with *Mary Robinson*, former UN High Commissioner for Refugees. Large parts of her speech were subsequently published in the Irish children's literature journal, *Inis*. She attended the annual NGOs meeting at UNESCO headquarters in Paris in December 2003. She represented IBBY at meetings of Femmes d'Europe in Brussels.

Liz Page co-organized and participated in all Executive Committee meetings, in Lucerne, Bologna, Havana and Cape Town, and wrote the minutes. She co-ordinated IBBY's participation at the Bologna Book Fair in 2004 and the Frankfurt Book Fair in 2002

and 2003. In May 2003 and May 2004 she organized and attended the IBBY stand at the Basel Book Fair. In September 2003 she visited the Austrian Section in Vienna and attended the opening of the BIB'03, the meeting of IBBY representatives and the adjoining BARFIE symposium in Bratislava. She prepared and co-ordinated the Andersen Jury meeting held in Basel in April 2004 and organized a reception in honour of the Jury. In May 2004 she was a member of an IBBY delegation to China in preparation of the 2006 IBBY Congress in Beijing.

Regular business meetings have been held at the Secretariat with IBBY Treasurer *Urs Breitenstein* and IBBY's bookkeeper *Dieter Bär*. Meetings with IBBY's auditors *Peter Gyr* and *Fritz Rothacher* have taken place in 2003 and 2004. Several meetings with *Peter Schneck* and IBBY's Financial Advisor *Vincent Frank-Steiner* have taken place to discuss the plans for a proposed IBBY Foundation. Meetings with IBBY's web designer *Urs Mendelin* have taken place at the Secretariat to discuss the upgrade of the IBBY website. In September 2003, *Günter Mühlberger* of Innsbruck University met *Peter Schneck*, *Kimete Basha* and *Liz Page* to discuss the process and planning for creating and publishing digital archives for IBBY. In September 2003 *Peter Schneck*, *Kimete Basha*, *Urs Breitenstein* and *Liz Page* met in Vienna to discuss the transition period.

Tessa Duder of IBBY New Zealand visited the Secretariat in July 2003. *Peter Schneck* visited the Secretariat in February, May and September 2003, and in February and April 2004. Since taking up her official position as Executive Director *Kimete Basha* has visited the Secretariat in September and November 2003, and February, April and June 2004.

8.4

Publications

Leena Maissen wrote IBBY Newsletters 18-21. *Kimete Basha* continued with Newsletters 22-24. The Jubilee Congress Proceedings were edited by *Leena Maissen* and published October 2003. Articles by *Leena Maissen* and *Kimete Basha* were published or reproduced in different journals and newsletters of IBBY Sections and on the Internet. An article based on an address given by *Kimete Basha* at the IBBY Ireland conference in December 2003 was reproduced in *Inis*, the magazine of *Children's Books Ireland*.

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FINANCES AND FUND RAISING

9.1

Financial Reports

The Treasurer's and the Auditors' Reports for the years 2002 and 2003 are submitted separately.

9.2

Regular income

The dues of the member countries are IBBY's main source of income. The member countries are arranged into five payment categories. According to the regulations, the main criteria are the Gross National Product (GNP) per country and per person, as well as the presence of the country at the Bologna Book Fair. Additional criteria are the number of publishing houses with a continuing production of books for children and adolescents, the number of children's and adolescents' books published in the country, and the extent of government or institutional support to the IBBY section.

The National Sections are classified into the following categories:

I	CHF 6'950	9 National Sections
II	CHF 4'750	9 National Sections
III	CHF 2'750	13 National Sections
IV	CHF 1'500	19 National Sections
V	CHF 1'000	18 National Sections

[The number of National Sections was 68 as at June 2004.]

Individual Members' dues are CHF 200. This includes a subscription to *Bookbird*. The fee for Supporting Members is CHF 1'000 (individuals) and CHF 2'000 (institutions). This includes a subscription to *Bookbird*. At present there are no Supporting Members of IBBY.

The Andersen Award nomination fee was CHF 500 for countries in Categories I and II. The fee in the three lowest categories was CHF 250. The IBBY Honour List nomination fee remained CHF 75 in all categories.

9.3

Solidarity Fund. Donations and contributions

In 2002, the following National Sections contributed to the Solidarity Fund and helped to support needy National Sections:

Canada • China • France • Sweden • USA

USBBY not only donated to the Solidarity Fund but also continued fund needy sections through its programme "Hands across the Sea".

In 2003 the following National Sections contributed to the Solidarity Fund:

Canada • China • Iceland • Sweden

USBBY contributed funds specifically to support the dues of IBBY South Africa in 2003.

IBBY Netherlands agreed to support the dues of Uruguay in 2004, 2005 and 2006.

The National Sections that received support for their dues in 2002-2004 were:

Argentina • Bolivia • Moldova • Panama • South Africa • Ukraine • Uruguay • Venezuela

IBBY extends its sincere thanks to the following for their support or sponsorship in the last reporting period:

- The *Bologna Children's Book Fair* for giving IBBY a free double stand and conference and meeting rooms in 2001 and 2002.
- The *Messe Basel* for giving IBBY free space for the *BuchBasel* book fair in 2003 and 2004.
- The *German Section of IBBY* for allocating free space to IBBY during the Frankfurt Book Fair in 2002 and 2003.
- The *Asahi Shimbun Press* of Tokyo which annually donates one million yen as prize money for the IBBY-Asahi Reading Promotion Award, and another million yen to cover administrative costs.
- *Nissan Motor Co.* of Tokyo which sponsors the Hans Christian Andersen Awards by donating four million yen to cover the costs of the presentation ceremony and the reception, the special *Bookbird* issue on Andersen Awards, and general expenses.
- *Lemniscaat* of Rotterdam donated royalties from the foreign editions of the anthology of stories, *Lees dit niet!* (Fingers on the Back of the Neck), originally published for the IBBY Congress 1996.
- *Editoriale Lloyd* of Trieste who sponsored the printing of the IBBY Honour List Catalogue 2002.
- *Schwabe AG* of Basel who sponsored the printing of the IBBY Honour List Catalogue 2004.

9.4

Fund Raising

A Fund Raising Team was established to identify, develop and co-ordinate a fund raising strategy for IBBY. *Kimete Basha* led the team that included *Jeffrey Brewster* (Belgium), *Wally De Doncker* (Belgium), *Jacqueline Kergu no* (France), *Catherine Mitchell* (Canada), *Xos  Antonio Neira Cruz* (Spain), *Michael O'Brien* (Ireland) and *Judith O'Malley* (USA). To date the team has developed a set of questions that have been incorporated into the National Sections' Biennial Report Questionnaire and is writing summaries of all IBBY activities and projects that can serve as funding targets. Contacts were made with the office of *Viviane Reding* at the European Commission, with the President of the Dean Foundation in Brussels, with the President of Oriflame International and with fund raising consultants. Private support has been pledged from the *De Cock* family who will give IBBY access to the Chateau Mielmont for fund raising dinners or meetings and from the famous Belgian restaurant *Les Portes des Indes* that will cater fund raising dinners. Contacts have been made with the *Bill Gates Foundation* to fund the development of the IBBY website and efforts continue to find funding to assist identified delegates to the Cape Town Congress.

Patsy Aldana of Groundwood Books, Toronto initiated the fund raising project, *Under the Spell of the Moon*, an anthology

illustrated by top artists from around the world, including several Hans Christian Andersen Award winners. The book will be launched at the IBBY Congress in Cape Town.

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BOOKBIRD

Articles in *Bookbird: A Journal of International Children's Literature* are generally clustered around a region of the world, a genre, or a subject of international interest or concern. The regular columns include analysis of book development in different countries of the world, author and illustrator profiles, book reviews of international publications, and information about IBBY and international activities around children's books. *Bookbird* pays particular attention to reading promotion projects worldwide and includes the *Focus IBBY* column. Calls for manuscripts are made regularly to the National Sections, individual researchers and through selected professional journals such as the *Journal of Children's Literature* and the *Children's Literature Association Quarterly*.

10.1

Bookbird contents 2002 – 2004

The 2002 special themes were:

- Children's Literature in South Eastern Europe
- Picture Books: Global Trends and Issues

- Celebrating Books and Children: 50 Years of IBBY
- Hans Christian Andersen Awards 2002

The 2003 special themes were:

- Non Fiction Books for Children
- Children's Books as Bestsellers
- Controversial Children's Literature
- War and Peace in Children's Literature

The 2004 special themes were:

- Narrative Changes
- Children's Literature and the Technology Age
- Children's Literature and Africa
- Hans Christian Andersen Awards 2004

10.2

Focus IBBY

Leena Maissen was Column Editor all the Focus IBBY Columns in *Bookbird* issues up to 3/2003. *Liz Page* edited the Focus IBBY Column in issue 4/2003; *Kimete Basha* and *Liz Page* jointly edited that in issue 1/2004. *Kimete Basha* took full editorial responsibility for subsequent Focus IBBY columns: issues 2 and 3/2004.

10.3

Bookbird Editorial Staff, Production and Promotion

A team of four co-editors has shared the work of producing *Bookbird*. They are *Evelyn Freeman*, *Barbara Lehman*, *Patricia Scharer* and *Lilia Ratcheva-Stratieva*. The first three are professors of education at

Ohio State University, USA and *Lilia Ratcheva-Stratieva* is an editor, author and translator based in Vienna. The editorship will be passed to a team of two new editors who were selected in April 2004 and will begin their tenure as of the first issue of 2005. They are *Valerie Coghlan* and *Siobhán Parkinson* from Dublin, Ireland.

The editors have been supported by column editors *Jeffrey Garrett* and subsequently *Barbara Scharioth* (Professional Literature), *Leena Maissen*, *Liz Page* and *Kimete Basha* for Focus IBBY, *Eva-Maria Metcalf* (Author Spotlight), and *Glenna Sloan* (International Children's Books of Note). They also received the help of 43 *Bookbird* Associate Editors as well as that of an international review board consisting of scholars, editors, librarians and publishers. *Lesli Lai* continued as design and production manager, *Susan Y. Clawson* as senior copy editor.

10.4

Bookbird Inc.

In August 1993, *Bookbird* was registered as a non-profit corporation in accordance with Indiana and US law. These legal arrangements have remained valid even after the editorial office moved from Indiana to Maryland and then to Ohio. They will remain valid when the office moves to Dublin in 2005. The voting members of the IBBY Executive Committee constitute the membership of *Bookbird Inc.*

The members of Bookbird Inc. Board are:

- *Joan Glazer* (President)
Professor of Education at Rhode Island College, in Warwick, Rhode Island, USA.
- *Alida Cutts* (Secretary)
Executive Secretary of IRA and USBBY, Newark, Delaware, USA.
- *Ellis Vance* (Treasurer)
Consultant, Fresno, California, USA.
- *Nathalie Beau* (Member)
Secretary General of IBBY France, Paris.
- *Anne Pellowski* (Member)
Storyteller, author and lecturer, Winona, Minnesota, USA.

The Bookbird Inc. held its annual meetings in association with the spring meetings of the Executive Committee in Bologna in 2003 and 2004.

10.5

Subscriptions, Distribution and Marketing

Bookbird is printed by the University of Toronto Press (UTP), Canada. UTP is also responsible for the circulation and distribution of the journal. In October 2003, the Executive Committee approved a Bookbird Inc. proposal to give non-exclusive worldwide rights to H.W. Wilson Company, New York to publish *Bookbird* online. The IBBY website began publishing an online version of the Focus IBBY Column in March 2004. All back issues of the *Bookbird* journal are being digitized as part of an agreement with the University of Innsbruck and will be accessible to members at the IBBY site in January 2005. In 2003 Bookbird Inc. agreed

to reduce the number of printed copies of the journal to 1'500 except for the special biennial Hans Christian Andersen Award issue sponsored by Nissan Motor Co., of which 2'500 copies are printed. This was seen as a cost cutting measure.

11

CONGRESSES

IBBY's biennial congresses are the most important meeting points for IBBY members and other people involved in children's books and reading development. As a rule, every other year a different National Section hosts the congress that is attended by several hundred people. The programme of an IBBY Congress includes specific IBBY functions: the General Assembly and Executive Committee meetings, reports by the National Sections, different exhibitions and celebrations such as the Hans Christian Andersen Awards and the IBBY Honour List. From 2002 it regularly includes the presentation of the IBBY-Asahi Reading Promotion Award.

11.1

IBBY Congress 2002

The 28th IBBY Congress was hosted by IBBY and organized by the IBBY Secretariat in cooperation with the Executive Committee and a group of Swiss volunteers. *Leena Maissen* was the Congress Chairperson, *Liz Page* the Congress Secretary and *Christian Stottele*

the Congress Treasurer. The Congress took place at the Basel Convention Centre, 29 September to 3 October 2002. Under the theme, *Children and Books: a Worldwide Challenge: 50 Years of IBBY* the Jubilee Congress reviewed the past fifty years of IBBY's activity and influence from different perspectives; it looked back at accomplishments and looked ahead to examine IBBY's role in the future. The Congress was held under the patronage of *Her Imperial Highness Empress Michiko of Japan*, *Her Excellency, Suzanne Mubarak of Egypt* and *Ms. Ruth Dreifuss*, Minister of Home Affairs of the Swiss Confederation. All three patrons attended the opening ceremony and *Her Imperial Highness Empress Michiko of Japan* and *Her Excellency, Suzanne Mubarak of Egypt* attended numerous sessions during the Congress.

Nearly 500 participants from 50 countries attended the Congress. Participants were invited to various locations around the city for diverse activities connected to the Congress: the University Library for the opening of the exhibition *Schau genau! Regarde! Look twice!*; the Basel Cartoon Museum for the exhibition *Bücherfuchs und trauriger Tiger* and the professional group meeting of illustrators; the Liestal Town Museum for the exhibition *Ein fabelhaftes Geschenk*; the Jukibu Intercultural children's library for the professional group meeting of librarians and educators; the Basel Historical

Museum for the presentation of the IBBY-Asahi Reading Promotion Award 2002; the Basel Literature House for the professional group meeting of authors and translators; and the Stadt-Casino for the closing ceremony.

IBBY's achievements were well documented by a number of exhibitions and publications. Exhibitions at the Congress Centre included: the Hans Christian Andersen Awards 1956-2002; the Hans Christian Andersen Award nominees 2002; IBBY Honour List 2002; the IBBY-Asahi Reading Promotion Award 1988-2002; International Children's Book Day 1967-2002; Best of Books for Young People with Disabilities; *Bookbird* 1963-2002; BIB'01 Winners.

The opening ceremony took place in the main auditorium of the Congress Centre and was divided into two parts. The first part comprised the welcome and opening speeches given by distinguished guests. *Leena Maissen* opened the evening with a warm welcome to all participants, describing the birth of IBBY and the growth during its early years. IBBY President *Tayo Shima* spoke about the importance of books as indispensable agents for the development of children into caring and responsible adults. The President of the Government of Basel-Stadt, *Carlo Conti* welcomed the participants to the City of Basel. *Ms. Ruth Dreifuss*, Minister of Home Affairs and Past President of the Swiss Confederation recounted her

first reading experiences and the worldwide right to read. *H.E. Susanne Mubarak* told the audience about IBBY's inspirational role in the launch of the Egyptian Board on Books for Young People and its goal to make books available to every family in Egypt. She described IBBY Egypt's success with various projects and discussed the future of books in a world transformed by information and communication technology. *Her Imperial Highness Empress Michiko of Japan* spoke of her deep gratitude for books and her appreciation of what IBBY does around the world to bring children and books together. She spoke of her own experiences within IBBY and how she first became involved with IBBY in the 1980s.

After the launch of the re-issue of *Jella Lepman's "A Bridge of Children's Books"* by *Michael O'Brien*, there was a musical interlude with a taste of Basel's famous carnival "Fasnacht".

In the second half of the opening ceremony the winners of the Hans Christian Andersen Awards 2002 were honoured. Jury President *Jay Heale* gave the Laudatio and conveyed congratulations to the winners from *Her Majesty Queen Margrethe II of Denmark*, patron of the awards. The Vice-Chairman of the Nissan Motor Co. *Takeshi Isayama*, brought a message from the sponsor. *Jay Heale* and *Tayo Shima* presented the medals and diplomas to *Aidan Chambers*, Andersen Author Award winner, and to *Ann Lazim*,

President of British IBBY, on behalf of *Quentin Blake*, the Andersen Illustrator Award winner. *Aidan Chambers* gave a moving acceptance speech and *Quentin Blake* spoke to the audience by the means of an entertaining video presentation. The patrons were presented with an original work by *Quentin Blake*. The Nissan Motor Co. sponsored the reception after the ceremony, which was an occasion for the participants to meet old and new friends.

The morning programme of each of the three professional days was structured to accommodate two main lectures and a panel discussion. On the first day *Peter von Matt* and *Lilia Ratcheva-Stratieva* gave the two main lectures. The following panel session was chaired by *Patricia Crampton* and discussed whether children's books were still an international issue. In the afternoon *Britt Isaksson* led an audio-visual presentation of projects from five continents that had won the IBBY-Asahi Reading Promotion Award. Eight seminar sessions took place that afternoon. On the second day *Ana Maria Machado* and *Jeffrey Garrett* gave the two main lectures followed by a panel discussion led by *Renate Raecke* featuring past winners of the Hans Christian Andersen Awards. The afternoon seminars focused on quality in children's literature, reading promotion projects and children's book as a bridge between generations. *Leena Maissen* gave a slide presentation of the 2002 IBBY Honour List nominations. Thirty-four nominees

attended the congress and received their diplomas from *Tayo Shima*. *Khadjah Hashim* from Malaysia thanked IBBY on the behalf of all the nominees. The third and final day began with keynote lectures by *Noushine Ansari* and *Jostein Gaarder*. These were followed by a panel discussion led by *Peter Schneck* that considered IBBY's present and future roles. IBBY's 28th General Assembly took place in the afternoon while three parallel professional group meetings took place in locations around the town.

The presentation of the IBBY-Asahi Reading Promotion Award 2002 was made in the evening of Monday, 30 September in the Historical Museum of Basel. The city of Basel sponsored the event and reception. *Cecilia Bettolli* represented CEDILIJ of Argentina, the co-ordinator of the winning project *Por el Derecho a Leer*. She received the award from *Shin-ichi Hakoshima*, President of the Asahi Shimbun. *Loty Petrovits*, President of the Award Jury gave the Laudatio and *Carlo Conti*, President of the Government of Basel-Stadt gave the welcome address. *Cecilia Bettolli* delivered an inspiring acceptance speech about the project and the universal right to read.

The closing ceremony took place in the main festival hall of the Basel Stadt-Casino. The menu was planned around famous stories and interspersed with music and stories: *Michael O'Brien* read an Irish version of "Stone Soup", *Sylvia Oelkrug* sang *Maurice*

Sendak's "Chicken Soup and Rice" and *Binette Schroeder* read "The Story Told All Wrong" by *Gianni Rodari*. During the evening *Nina Askvig Reidarson* and *Christian Stottele* were presented with Honorary Membership for their long service to IBBY. The participants enjoyed performances of Alevitian dances and breakdancing by young people from the Basel region. *Tayo Shima* gave her farewell address and *Peter Schneck* addressed the participants as the incoming IBBY President. He introduced the new Executive Committee members. The invitation to attend the Congress 2004 was presented by South Africa's famous storyteller *Gcina Mhlope* and *Jay Heale*.

11.2

IBBY Congress 2004

The 29th IBBY Congress is hosted by IBBY South Africa – the South African Children's Book Forum. It will take place at the Baxter Theatre in Cape Town, South Africa, 5 to 9 September 2004 and will have for its theme, "Books for Africa". Congress organizers hope to provide a forum for reflection about ways to provide effective literacy programmes in a context that is fraught with a lack of funds and urgent social and political realities. At the same time, they have invited all those who work to promote children's books and reading as a foundation for building inclusive and stable societies to work together to build on IBBY's mission in the future. Children will be involved in all stages of the congress. The Congress will be held

under the patronage of *Graça Machel*, wife of *Nelson Mandela*.

11.3

IBBY Congress 2006

The 30th IBBY Congress will be hosted by CBBY (IBBY China) in Beijing, 20-24 September 2006. It will have for its theme "Children's Literature and Social Development".

11.4

IBBY Congress 2008

The 31st IBBY Congress will be hosted by IBBY Denmark 7-11, September 2008 and will have for its theme, "History in Stories, Stories in History".

11.5

IBBY Congress 2010

IBBY Spain will host the 32nd IBBY Congress in Santiago de Compostela in 2010. The general theme is "The Strength of Minorities".

12

HANS CHRISTIAN ANDERSEN AWARDS

Every other year IBBY presents the Hans Christian Andersen Awards to a living author and an illustrator whose complete works have made a lasting contribution to children's literature. Nominations are submitted by the IBBY National Sections and winners are selected by an international jury

of children's literature specialists. *Her Majesty Queen Margarethe II of Denmark* is the Patron of the Andersen Awards. The Nissan Motor Company sponsors the award.

12.1

Hans Christian Andersen Jury 2004

From nominations made by the National Sections, the Executive Committee elected the following ten people (* second term) to serve on the two sections of the 2004 Hans Christian Andersen Jury presided over by *Jeffrey Garrett* (USA):

Author Section:

- *Gunilla Borén* * (Sweden)
Assistant professor at the Swedish School of Library and Information Science, publishing consultant.
- *María Candelaria Posada* (Colombia)
Editorial Director of Children's Books, Grupo Norma.
- *Angela Lebedeva* (Russia)
Executive Director of IBBY Russia and Senior lecturer at the Department of Children's Literature and Library Work with Young People at the Moscow State University of Culture and Arts.
- *Marianne Martens* * (USA)
Vice President and Director of Subsidiary Rights and Foreign Language Program, North-South Books.
- *Laura Sandroni* * (Brazil)
Children's book specialist and reviewer.

Illustrator Section:

- *Lona Gericke* (South Africa)
Children's Services Co-ordinator, Bellville Library.
- *Zohreh Ghaeni** (Iran)
Supervisor of the "History of Children's Literature in Iran" Project.
- *Grazia Gotti* (Italy)
President of the "Giannino Stoppani" Cultural Association in Bologna.
- *María Cecilia Silva-Díaz* (Venezuela)
Editor and Marketing Director of Ediciones Ekaré in Barcelona.
- *Truusje Vrooland-Löb* (Netherlands)
Children's book specialist and critic.

IBBY President *Peter Schneck* and Executive Director *Kimete Basha* participated in both meetings *ex officio* without a vote.

12.2

Hans Christian Andersen Awards 2004

The Jury met at the IBBY Secretariat in Basel, 6 and 7 April 2004. A total of 26 authors and 27 illustrators from 30 countries were nominated for the awards. The Jury selected *Martin Waddell* (Ireland) as the winner of the Author Award and *Max Velthuis* (Netherlands) as winner of the Illustrator Award.

The author finalists were *Barbro Lindgren* (Sweden), *Bjarne Reuter* (Denmark), *Joel Rufino dos Santos* (Brazil) and *Jürg Schubiger* (Switzerland).

The illustrator finalists were *Rotraut Susanne Berner* (Germany), *Roberto Innocenti* (Italy), *Javier Serrano* (Spain) and *Grégoire Solotareff* (France).

The other author candidates were *Ema Wolf* (Argentina), *Martin Auer* (Austria), *Bart Moeyaert* (Belgium), *Gilles Tibo* (Canada), *Cao Wenxuan* (China), *Visnja Stahuljak* (Croatia), *Jean-Paul Nozière* (France), *Kirsten Boie* (Germany), *Alki Zei* (Greece), *Angela Nanetti* (Italy), *Satoru Sato* (Japan), *Paul Biegel* (Netherlands), *Margaret Mahy* (New Zealand), *Jo Ewo* (Norway), *Luisa Ducla Soares* (Portugal), *Eduard Uspensky* (Russia), *Jan Uliciansky* (Slovakia), *Lesley Beake* (South Africa), *Juan Farias* (Spain), *Geraldine McCaughrean* (United Kingdom) and *Lois Lowry* (U.S.A.).

The other illustrator candidates were *Istvan Schritter* (Argentina), *Linda Wolfsgruber* (Austria), *Kitty Crowther* (Belgium), *Angela Lago* (Brazil), *Marie-Louise Gay* (Canada), *Wang Xiaoming* (China), *Lilian Brøgger* (Denmark), *Helmi Abdel-Hamid El-Touni* (Egypt), *Mauri Kunnas* (Finland), *Fotini Stephanidi* (Greece), *Krisztina Rényi* (Hungary), *Daihachi Ohta* (Japan), *Svein Nyhus* (Norway), *Józef Wilkon* (Poland), *Danuta Wojciechowska* (Portugal), *Alexander Koshkin* (Russia), *Peter Cisárik* (Slovakia), *Niki Daly* (South Africa), *Eva Eriksson* (Sweden), *Armin Greder* (Switzerland), *Tony Ross* (United Kingdom), and *Vera B. Williams* (U.S.A.).

The winners were announced at the IBBY press conference at the Bologna Book Fair. The book and dossiers of all candidates were displayed at the IBBY stand throughout the fair. They were also displayed at the IBBY stand during the Basel Book Fair. The medals and diplomas will be presented during the opening ceremony of the 29th IBBY Congress in Cape Town, South Africa on Sunday, 5 September 2004. *Bookbird* 2004/4 will be a special Andersen issue and will include information about all the nominees and the IBBY selection process. All candidates will receive a special diploma.

13 IBBY HONOUR LIST

The IBBY Honour List is a biennial selection of outstanding books that honours writers, illustrators and translators from IBBY member countries. Important considerations in selecting the Honour List titles are that the books are representative of the best in children's literature and that the books are suitable for publication throughout the world. IBBY National Sections make the nominations. Each National Section may submit one title for each of the three categories: Writing, Illustration and Translation. In countries where children's book production is available in more than one language, National Sections may enter up to three titles for writing and translation in different languages.

The IBBY Honour List is one of IBBY's most successful activities and one of the most effective ways to encourage international understanding through children's books: it provides a context for discovery and exchange. Its popularity has risen greatly in recent years and has resulted in both an increase in the workload of the Secretariat and an increase in the costs of the accompanying catalogue. IBBY is grateful to its sponsors whose support has made it possible to meet these demands.

13.1

IBBY Honour List 2002

In 2002, the IBBY Honour List had 129 entries (53 authors, 39 illustrators and 37 translators) from 47 countries in 37 different languages. Malaysia, New Zealand, the Philippines and Turkey made nominations for the first time. The full-colour production of the catalogue was a special gift from *Editoriale Lloyd* of Trieste for IBBY's 50th anniversary jubilee. The 2002 IBBY Honour List books were shown around the world in a number of travelling exhibitions. The exhibition and the catalogue were launched at the IBBY Congress in Basel in October 2002. The books were presented and the nominees received their diplomas. IBBY exhibited the books at the Bologna Children's Book Fair in April 2003 and during the Basel book fair in May 2003.

IBBY translated the catalogue into Japanese and the books have been travelling around

Japan. The Russian Section exhibited the books at the St. Petersburg and Moscow Book Fairs in 2003. USBBY exhibited the Honour List at its fifth Regional Conference, in Chautauqua, NY, October 2003. British IBBY exhibited the collection at their Annual Conference in London, October 2003.

The seven collections have now been deposited in Zurich (Swiss Institute for Children's Media), Munich (International Youth Library), Bratislava (Bibiana), Evanston, Illinois (Northwestern University Library), Manila (St. Peter and Paul Early Childhood Centre), Moscow (RBBY) and Tokyo (JBBY).

13.2

IBBY Honour List 2004

In 2004, the IBBY Honour List presented 140 entries (54 authors, 44 illustrators and 42 translators) from 47 countries in 37 different languages. The exhibition and the catalogue will be launched at the Congress in Cape Town, where the books will be presented and the nominees will receive their diplomas on 6 September 2004. The collection will be subsequently presented at the IBBY stand in Bologna in April 2004 and JBBY will translate the catalogue into Japanese to accompany the regular travelling exhibition in Japan. IBBY is grateful to *Schwabe Publishers, Basel* who sponsored the full-colour production of the 2004 Honour List Catalogue.

The seven collections will be sent to Zurich (Swiss Institute for Children's Media), Munich (International Youth Library), Brussels (The International School of Brussels), Bratislava (Bibiana), Evanston, Illinois (Northwestern University Library), Moscow (RBBY) and Tokyo (JBBY).

14

IBBY-ASAHI READING PROMOTION AWARD

The IBBY-Asahi Reading Promotion Award, sponsored by the Asahi Shimbun newspaper company, was established in 1986 during the IBBY Congress in Tokyo. Since then, it has been awarded to a group or an institution which, by its outstanding activities is judged to be making a lasting contribution to reading promotion programmes for children and young people. Until and including 2004, the award has been made annually to one winning project. As of 2005, it will be made biennially and will consist of a diploma and a sum of US\$10'000 to be given to each of two winners. Recipients of the award will be announced every other year at the Bologna Children's Book Fair and subsequently celebrated at the IBBY Congress later in the same year.

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 who select the winners during the September/October meeting of the Executive Committee.

14.1

Award Jury 2002 – 2004

The 2003 jury meeting in Basel on 29 September 2002 was chaired by *Loty Petrovits* (Greece). Other jurors were *Xosé Antonio Neira Cruz* (Spain), *Gudlaug Richter* (Iceland), *Elizabeth Serra* (Brazil), and *Nilima Sinha* (India).

The 2004 jury meeting in Havana on 26 October 2003 was chaired by *Xosé Antonio Neira Cruz* (Spain). Other jurors were *Nathalie Beau* (France), *Anne Pellowski* (USA), *Nilima Sinha* (India), *Elizabeth Serra* (Brazil), *Chieko Suemori* (Japan) and *Jant van der Weg* (Netherlands).

14.2

IBBY Asahi Reading Promotion Award 2003

The winner of the 2003 Award was the *Sister Libraries Project* from Bolivia, sponsored by the Pedagogical Experiences Workshop in cooperation with IBBY Bolivia and the Library Science Programme of the Appalachian State University in the USA.

This project serves over 800 children per year and provides a library and special book events that are run by volunteer teachers who engage children in reading and writing. The children come from some of the city's poorest areas and many are children of

prisoners or of women who sell in the open markets of Cochabamba. The project has been operating since 1980 and its long-term goals include training more volunteers and establishing a permanent locale for its library.

A special commendation by the Jury was given to the *Reach Out and Read* of Greater Cleveland, Ohio, USA. Created by pediatrician *Dr. Robert Needlman*, the project currently involves 12 hospital-based and community clinics serving low-income children in Cleveland.

The other nominated projects were:

"Hope for the Future" project of the MIGJENI Group (Albania) • *The Parent-Child Mother Goose Program* (Canada) • *Reading Books for Ten Minutes out of Class Every Day by the News and Magazine Workers Association for Chinese Children* (China) • *Nordic Centre for Children's Literature, a Chilean-Danish co-project* (Denmark) • *Ein Bücherbus in Nicaragua/A Book Bus in Nicaragua, a Nicaraguan-German co-project* (Netherlands) • *Club du livre et de lecture pour jeunes ruraux/Caravane Civique/Reading Club and Book Club for Young People in Rural Areas in Morocco* (Switzerland).

14.3

IBBY-Asahi Reading Promotion Award 2004

The winner of the 2004 Award was the *First Words in Print* project from South Africa. This project is promoted by the Centre for

the Book in Cape Town and is sponsored by local institutions and organizations involved in the production of children's books in South Africa. It aims at promoting literacy among South African children and their families and is committed to the development of a national literature for young children in their mother tongue.

First words in Print works with a range of partners across South Africa to distribute books to children and provide support and guidance to caregivers as they explore ways to share books with the young. Partners include libraries, clinics, child-care centres and organizations specializing in early childhood development programmes. Although still in its pilot phase, the project has already benefited thousands of disadvantaged pre-school children across South Africa. Efforts are now being made to extend the programme to thousands more who are affected by the HIV/AIDS virus but who do not have access to institutionalized care.

The other nominees were:

- *Mala de Leitura/Reading Suitcase* (Brazil)
- *Les Livres dans la Rue/Books on the Street* (Canada)
- *Ein Bucherbus in Nicaragua/A Book Bus in Nicaragua, a joint Nicaraguan-German project* (Netherlands and Germany)
- *The National Reading Campaign* (Palestine)
- *Knjigobube Programm EPTA* (Slovenia)
- *Club de Lecture et du Livre pour*

Jeunes Ruraux/Reading and Book Club for Young Rural Readers (Switzerland).

15

INTERNATIONAL CHILDREN'S BOOK DAY

On or around 2 April, Hans Christian Andersen's birthday, International Children's Book Day (ICBD) is celebrated to inspire a love of reading and to call attention to children's books. Each year a different National Section has the opportunity to be the international sponsor of ICBD. It decides upon a theme and invites an author to write a message to the children of the world. At the same time, an illustrator is invited to design an accompanying poster. These materials are shared with other IBBY National Sections and used in different ways by them to promote reading. A large number of National Sections translate the poster and message. Many publicize the events in local media and in their own journals. Others use the materials in schools, at public events and in media presentations. The full text of the messages are available at the IBBY website and may be downloaded from there.

15.1

ICBD 2003

The sponsor in 2003 was the Brazilian Section of IBBY with a message by *Ana Maria Machado* called "The World in an Enchanted Network". The poster was

designed by *Rafael Fabrice Yockteng Benalcázar*.

15.2

ICBD 2004

The sponsor in 2004 was the Greek Section of IBBY with a message by *Angeliki Varella* called "The Light of the Books". The poster was designed by *Nicholas Andrikopoulos*.

15.3

ICBD 2005

The sponsor in 2005 is the Indian Section of IBBY with a message by *Manorama Jafa* called "Books are My Magic Eyes". The poster is designed by *Jagdish Joshi*.

15.4

ICBD 2006

IBBY Slovakia is the sponsor of ICBD in 2006. The message, "The Destiny of Books is Written in the Stars", is written by *Jan Uliciánsky* and *Peter Cisárik* designed the poster.

16

IBBY DOCUMENTATION CENTRE OF BOOKS FOR DISABLED YOUNG PEOPLE

The IBBY Documentation Centre of Books for Disabled Young People was established in 1985 at the Norwegian Institute for Special Education at the University of Oslo under the direction of *Nina Reidarson*. It remained at this location until the summer of 2002 when

Heidi Boiesen took over and it moved to the Haug Municipal Resource Centre for Young People with Disabilities in Baerum, just outside Oslo.

The Centre offers information, consultation and documentation services for organizations, research workers, teachers, students, librarians, publishers, authors, illustrators, policy makers and the media who work with young people with special needs.

The Centre has built up a large international collection of books not only catering for children and young people, but also for adults with language disabilities and reading difficulties. The books are regularly shown at conferences, book fairs and exhibitions. The IBBY Jubilee selection 2002, *Best of Books for Young People with Disabilities*, presenting 43 titles from 18 countries, was first shown at the 2002 IBBY Jubilee Congress. Since April 2003 it has been shown in numerous locations in Japan. A new selection is now under preparation and is scheduled to be launched as a travelling exhibition at the 2005 Bologna Book Fair.

17

IBBY REGIONAL CO-OPERATION

17.1

Regional meetings: Nordic countries

The annual spring meetings of the five Nordic countries of Denmark, Finland,

Iceland, Norway and Sweden took place in Copenhagen in 2003 and in Helsinki in 2004. In 2004, representatives from the Baltic sections of Estonia, Latvia and Lithuania, as well as from the Documentation Centre in Oslo, were invited. The same invitation will be given in 2005. The Nordic Sections take turns in publishing the annual journal *Nordisk Blad* (2002: Iceland, 2003: Norway, 2004: Finland). The journal includes English summaries and is distributed to other National Sections.

17.2

Regional conferences: Latin America

IBBY Cuba organized its sixth regional conference *Reading 2003: To Read the 21st* to mark its 20th anniversary. At the same time, the Conference was the stage for a tribute to the work of IBBY over the last 50 years and to the personal dedication of *Leena Maissen* in her role of Executive Director for 33 of those years. The Conference, which was co-sponsored by IBBY sections of Argentina, Brazil, Canada and Colombia, brought together speakers from all over the world to reflect upon reading as a reflective and emotional activity. The main speakers included *Ana Maria Machado* (Brazil), *Nilma Gonçalves Lacerda* (Brazil) and *Emilia Gallego Alfonso* (Cuba).

17.3

Regional conferences: North America

The fifth biennial USBBY Regional Conference, *Crossing Boundaries* was held in

Chautauqua, New York, October 2003. Speakers included *Sharon Creech*, *Katherine Paterson* and *Peter Sís*. The IBBY Honour List 2002 was featured at the conference, which brought together participants from all over the United States and Canada.

17.4

Regional conference: Northern Europe

The Dutch section of IBBY organized a conference for authors and translators from Germany, the Netherlands, Friesland and Flanders in Leeuwarden, May 2003. Speakers included *Aidan Chambers*, *Harrie Geelan*, *Imme Dros*, *Sylvia Vanden Heede* and *Andreas Bode*.

18

CO-OPERATION WITH OTHER ORGANIZATIONS

IBBY has a long history of collaboration and exchange with international organizations with which it shares common goals. It is generally acknowledged as a trusted partner and an excellent source of expertise on quality children's literature.

18.1

Co-operation with UNESCO and UNICEF

IBBY belongs to the group of non-governmental members (NGOs) having operational relations with UNESCO. *Kimete Basha* represented IBBY at a conference of the NGOs at UNESCO headquarters in Paris,

in December 2003. *Nilima Sinha* met IBBY representatives *Maryann Macdonald* and *Patricia Marx* at UN Headquarters in new York. IBBY does not have joint projects with UNICEF but the National Commissions and Regional Offices of UNICEF are supportive of the work of the IBBY National Sections.

18.2

Centro Regional para el Fomento del Libro en America Latina y el Caribe (CERLALC)

CERLALC, with headquarters in Bogotá, provides a book promotion network for Latin American countries. It has close ties with the IBBY sections in the area, in particular with Colombian IBBY, and was supportive of the IBBY Cuba Regional Conference in October 2003.

18.3

Asian Cultural Centre for UNESCO (ACCU)

ACCU has its headquarters in Tokyo. It is a comprehensive network that promotes co-publishing in the Asian and Pacific area. This work includes regular children's book workshops. Former IBBY President *Tayo Shima* is member of the ACCU Board. ACCU sponsors the NOMA Concours for Picture Book Illustration in Asia, Africa and Latin America.

18.4

International Federation of Library Associations (IFLA)

IBBY has informational contacts with IFLA's Section of Children's Books. Executive

Committee members *Nathalie Beau* and *Elizabeth Serra* attended the IFLA Conference in Buenos Aires in 2004.

18.5

International Reading Association (IRA)

IRA continues to provide the Secretariat for the United States Board on Books for Young People and is supportive of IBBY in many ways. IRA Executive Secretary *Alida Cutts* is Secretary of Bookbird Inc. and was chair of the Committee searching for the new editors of *Bookbird*.

18.6

International Youth Library (IYL)

IBBY and IYL are linked through close contacts at different levels. In 2004 a formal agreement was established between IBBY and the IYL to define the terms of the biennial donation of the IBBY Honour List books to the library. These books are catalogued and available for study purposes. Information about the collection will be available online in the future at both the IBBY and IYL websites. Members of the IYL staff, coordinated by *Jochen Weber*, assisted the IBBY Secretariat with bibliographic information and subject indexing for the IBBY Honour Lists 2002 and 2004.

18.7

Biennale of Illustrations Bratislava (BIB)

Several IBBY members were guests at the opening of the 19th Biennale of Illustrations in Bratislava and the adjoining symposium in

September 2003. The BIB'03 Grand Prix winner was the Japanese artist *Iku Dekune*. A special exhibition was dedicated to the works of the 2002 Andersen Award illustrator winner, *Quentin Blake* and the BIB'01 Grand Prix winner *Eric Battut*. A meeting of IBBY members from Croatia, Finland, Hungary, Poland, Slovakia and Switzerland was arranged at the BIB Secretariat and was chaired by *Peter Schneck*, President of IBBY.

18.8

Schweizerisches Institut für Kinder- und Jugendmedien

(The Swiss Institute for Children's Media). IBBY's 2002 collection of Andersen Award books and the 2002 IBBY Honour List collection were deposited at the Institute in Zurich, which is the Swiss Section of IBBY. The exhibition of picture books, *Schau genau - Regarde bien - Look twice* that was prepared by the Institute in connection with the IBBY Jubilee Congress 2002 in Basel, was exhibited at the International Youth Library in Munich, Germany in 2004. *Kimete Basha* visited the Institute in September 2003, February and May 2004.

18.9

Astrid Lindgren Memorial Award (ALMA)

IBBY is supportive of the Astrid Lindgren Memorial Award whose Executive Director, *Anna Cokorilo* used the IBBY network to invite deserving nominations and to call on members of IBBY from around the world to

offer their expertise. IBBY itself has been nominated for the award. The 2003 ALMA Award was presented to *Christine Nöstlinger* and *Maurice Sendak*, and the 2004 Award was presented to *Lygia Bojunga*. All three are former Hans Christian Andersen Award winners

18.10

Council of International Schools (CIS)

The Council of International Schools, formally the European Council of International Schools, brings together teachers, educators, librarians, researchers and administrators from international schools around the world. IBBY has been provided with an opportunity to take part at its conference held in a European in mid-November every year. A session about IBBY's work and activities will be scheduled annually. *Kimete Basha* has agreed to lead the sessions in 2004 and 2005.

18.11

University of Innsbruck

The University of Innsbruck co-ordinates the project, *Austrian Literature Online* which is part of a larger European Union funded project called the *Metadata Engine Project* (<http://meta-e.uibk.ac.at>). The project aims to create a comprehensive digital library of resources that are deemed to have an important cultural or historical importance. IBBY has become a part of this project and will soon be able to store and deliver its archives electronically and, in so doing,

provide more effective access to IBBY materials and improve services to its members.

18.12

Bologna Children's Book Fair

Thanks to the goodwill and friendly co-operation of the Bologna Book Fair and its Managing Director *Elena Pasoli*, IBBY once more had a complimentary stand and meeting facilities at the Bologna Book Fairs 2003 and 2004. The stand provided a busy meeting point and an informal venue for IBBY's annual reception. The larger meeting room provided for the annual press conference allowed for increased numbers to participate. In 2003 the IBBY displayed the Honour List 2002 collection, the exhibition "Best of Books for Young People with Disabilities: IBBY Jubilee Selection 2002", and information about the 2003 IBBY-Asahi Reading Promotion Award winner, Sister Libraries of Bolivia.

In 2003, the Bologna Book Fair presented *Leena Maissen* with a plaque in recognition of her services to children's literature.

Quentin Blake, as winner of the 2002 Hans Christian Andersen Award, was invited to create the cover for the Bologna Annual 2003.

In 2004, the focus was on books by the Andersen Award winners *Martin Waddell* and *Max Velthuis* as well as by the other

nominees. Promotional materials for the 29th IBBY Congress in Cape Town were distributed and *Lona Gericke*, member of the Congress Planning Committee, attended the stand. IBBY was honoured with the presence of *Max Velthuis* at the IBBY stand on the day of the announcement of his award.

18.13

Frankfurt Book Fair

IBBY participated in the stand of the German Section of IBBY (Arbeitskreis für Jugendliteratur) at the Frankfurt Book Fair in 2002 and 2003. Promotional materials for the IBBY Congress in Cape Town, copies of *Bookbird*, the IBBY Honour List and different information brochures were displayed. *Liz Page* attended the stand in 2002 and shared attendance at the stand with *Kimete Basha* in 2003. Meetings with representatives of various international organizations and IBBY associates took place during the fair. IBBY members also participated in the events planned by the German Section during the Fair.

18.14

Basel Book Fair

As a result of support from Messe Basel AG, IBBY was able to host a stand during the Basel Literature Festival, *BuchBasel*, in May 2003 and 2004. In 2003, IBBY's Honour List 2002 was exhibited; in 2004 works by the nominees for the Andersen Awards 2004 were highlighted. *Kirsten Boie*, the German author candidate and *Jürg Schubiger*, the

Swiss author candidate and finalist both visited the stand.

18.15

Other Fairs with IBBY participation

**partial list*

- Moscow International Book Fair
- St. Petersburg International Book Fair
- Salão do Livro para Crianças e Jovens, Rio de Janeiro
- Mexican Children's Book Fair, Mexico
- Salon de Livre de Jeunesse, Montreuil (France)
- Salon de Livre de Jeunesse, Namur (Belgium)

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PUBLICATIONS. POSTERS

19.1

Proceedings of the 28th IBBY Congress "Children and Books. A Worldwide Challenge"

Proceedings of the 28th IBBY Congress held in Basel, Switzerland. In English. Full report of the 28th IBBY Congress in Basel. Includes papers given at the plenary sessions, speeches in connection with the award ceremonies, summaries of the panel and seminar sessions, professional group meetings, reports of the IBBY meetings and the social events. 243pp, in colour and black and white. Edited by *Leena Maissen* with support from *Liz Page*. Design by VischerVettiger. Sponsored by the Lottery

Fund of Canton Basel-Stadt. Publication, © and distribution: IBBY Secretariat, Basel, Switzerland, October 2003.

19.2

Bookbird. A Journal of International Children's Literature

Quarterly in English. ISSN 0006-7377. Edited by *Evelyn Freeman*, *Barbara Lehman*, *Lilia Ratcheva-Stratieva* and *Patricia Scharer*, The Ohio State University, USA. Includes *Focus IBBY*. Design by *Lesli Lai*. Circulation: 1500. Published by IBBY, © Bookbird Inc.; printing and distribution: University of Toronto Press, Canada.

19.3

Hans Christian Andersen Awards 2002

Special issue of *Bookbird* (4/2002), presenting the 2002 winners and candidates. Edited by *Evelyn Freeman*, *Barbara Lehman*, *Lilia Ratcheva-Stratieva* and *Patricia Scharer*. Design by *Lesli Lai*. 72pp. 2500 copies. Sponsored by Nissan Motor Co. Ltd. Published by IBBY, © Bookbird Inc.; printing and distribution: University of Toronto Press.

19.4

Hans Christian Andersen Awards 2004

Special issue of *Bookbird* (4/2004), presenting the 2004 winners and candidates. Edited by *Evelyn Freeman*, *Barbara Lehman*, *Lilia Ratcheva-Stratieva* and *Patricia Scharer*. Design by *Lesli Lai*. 2500 copies. Sponsored by Nissan Motor Co. Ltd. Published by IBBY,

© Bookbird Inc.; printing and distribution:
University of Toronto Press.

19.5

Hans Christian Andersen Awards 1956-2002

History of the Hans Christian Andersen Awards and portraits of the Andersen Award winners 1956-2002. Includes a selected bibliography. Written and edited by *Eva Glistrup* in cooperation with *Patricia Crampton*, *Leena Maissen* and *Liz Page*. Message by the patron of the Awards, *Her Majesty Queen Margrethe II of Denmark*. Foreword by *Tayo Shima*. 138pp. 1500 copies. Design by *Marianne Bisballe*, production by Gyldendal, Copenhagen, sponsored by the Lottery Fund of Canton Basel-Land. © and distribution: IBBY Basel, 2002.

19.6

IBBY Honour List 2002

129 entries (53 authors, 39 illustrators and 37 translators) from 47 countries in 37 different languages, selected by IBBY National Sections. Edited by *Liz Page* and *Leena Maissen*. Design by *VischerVettiger*. 87pp. 3000 copies. Printing sponsored by Ed. Lloyd, Trieste, Italy. © and distribution: IBBY Basel, September 2002.

19.7

IBBY Honour List 2004

140 entries (54 authors, 44 illustrators and 42 translators) from 47 countries in 37 different languages, selected by IBBY National Sections. Edited by *Liz Page* and *Kimete Basha*. Design by *VischerVettiger*. 96pp. 3000 copies. Printing sponsored by Schwabe Publishers, Basel, Switzerland. © and distribution: IBBY Basel, September 2004.

19.8

Best of Books for Young People with Disabilities. IBBY Jubilee Selection

44 titles selected as exemplary from among the more than 4'000 books that the IBBY Documentation Centre for Disabled Young People in Norway has received over the years from IBBY National Sections, publishers and individuals worldwide. Edited by *Nina Askvig Reidarson*. Design by *Marcela Montes*, printing sponsored by Schwabe & Co., Basel. 24pp. 1500 copies. © IBBY Documentation Centre of Books for Disabled Young People, Oslo. Distribution: IBBY Basel 2002.

19.9

IBBY-Asahi Reading Promotion Award 1988-2002

Third completely revised edition presenting the fifteen award-winning projects from 1988 to 2002. Edited by *Leena Maissen*. Design by *VischerVettiger*, production and printing sponsored by Asahi Shimbun, Tokyo

and Schwabe & Co. AG Basel. 72pp. 2000 copies. © and distribution: IBBY Basel, 2002.

19.10

IBBY Address Lists 2003 and 2004

IBBY membership directory with the addresses of the Secretariat; Executive Committee; National Sections; Individual and Honorary Members; Past Presidents of: IBBY, the Andersen Award Jury and the IBBY-Asahi Reading Promotion Award Jury; representatives to UN organizations; Past Editors of *Bookbird*; *Bookbird* Associate Editors and the IBBY Documentation Centre of Books for Disabled Young People. Compiled by *Liz Page*. 400 copies. Publication and distribution: IBBY Basel, February 2003 and 2004. Regularly updated addresses with links to 28 National Sections with websites. Available at IBBY website <http://www.ibby.org> in pdf file format.

19.11

IBBY Newsletter

Information in English for members, correspondents and other organizations. Issues 18-24 in 2002-2004; including special Jubilee Congress issue 18-19, and 3 double issues (21, 22 and 24). 700-800 copies. Edited by *Leena Maissen* (18-21) and *Kimete Basha* (22-24). Publication and distribution: IBBY Basel. The IBBY newsletter is available as a pdf file from IBBY News section at <http://www.ibby.org>

19.12

IBBY Biennial Reports 2000-2004

Biennial Report of the activities of IBBY: 2000-2002, edited by *Leena Maissen*. 40pp.

Biennial Report of the activities of IBBY: 2002-2004, edited by *Kimete Basha*. 44pp.

1200 copies. Publication and distribution: IBBY Basel, 2002 and 2004.

Available online at <http://www.ibby.org>

19.13

IBBY National Sections Reports 2002-2004.

Compiled and edited by *Kimete Basha*, with support from *Liz Page*. In English. 68pp. 100 copies. Publication, © and distribution: IBBY Basel, February 2004.

Available online at <http://www.ibby.org>

19.14

Revista Latinoamericana de Literatura Infantil y Juvenil

Published by the Latin American IBBY Sections. Since April 2002 available in electronic format only. Spanish. Updates (in Spanish) were sent twice a year in 2002 and 2003. From 2004 there will be 4 updates a year. The Revista can be downloaded from <http://www.relalij.org>

19.15

Nordisk Blad

Annual publication (since 1993) of the five Nordic IBBY sections, which take turns in sponsorship and editorial work. Topical reviews, articles on current trends. English summaries. 2000 copies. © and distribution: IBBY Sections of Denmark, Finland, Iceland, Norway and Sweden.

19.16

ICBD 2003 Poster and Message

Theme: "Books: The World in an Enchanted Network".

Message by *Ana Maria Machado*, poster by *Rafael Fabrice Yockteng Banalcázar*. The message in five languages is printed on the reverse of the poster. Sponsorship, publication, © and distribution: Brazilian Section of IBBY, 2003. Greek and Japanese versions of the poster and leaflet available through the respective NS.

19.17

ICBD 2004 Poster and Message

Theme: "The Light of the Books".

Message by *Angeliki Varella*, poster by *Nicholas Andrikopoulos*. Separate leaflet in five languages. Sponsorship, publication, © and distribution: Greek Section of IBBY, 2004. Greek and Japanese versions of the poster and leaflet through the respective NS. An Arabic version was produced by IBBY Palestine and a Spanish version by IBBY Argentina.

19.18

International Children's Book Day 1967-2002

All ICBD posters and messages between 1967 and 2002. Edited by *Loty Petrovits* with *Leena Maissen*, *Liz Page* and *Nadia Debattista*. 88pp. 2000 copies. Design by *Raymond Stoffel*. Production and printing sponsored by Gallimard Jeunesse and Bayard Jeunesse, Paris. © and distribution: IBBY Basel, 2002.

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A Bridge of Children's Books

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