Ms Christine Mackenzie President- IFLA

Ms Christine Mackenzie becomes President of IFLA (International Federation of Library Associations and Institutions) in August 2019. She retired as CEO of Yarra Plenty Regional Library Service, Melbourne, Australia in 2016 after 12 years in that role and following a long career in public libraries. Previously she was Manager of Brisbane City Council Library Service, the largest public library system in Australia.

Christine has been very active in IFLA and was President elect 2017 – 19 and Treasurer 2015-17. She was a co-founder of INELI-Oceania, a program funded by the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation that provided leadership training for librarians in Australia, New Zealand and the South Pacific and which sponsored the formation of the Pacific Libraries Network in 2018. She has been a member of the Australian Government's Public Lending Rights Committee; the Library Board of Victoria's Advisory Committee on Public Libraries; the Victorian Government's Ministerial Advisory Council on Public Libraries; the Executive of the Public Libraries Victoria Network, and a juror for the Intelligent Communities Forum. She has held a number of roles in ALIA including President 2003-04. She was awarded an ALIA fellowship in 2008 and the VALA Robert D Williamson Award in 2012.