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Hello and I am extremely pleased to welcome you to the 2015 CILIPS Conference at the Apex Hotel in Dundee. We are here to learn from thought leaders and field experts as well as each other, and I hope that you will take motivation from our conference theme: Advocating Libraries: Innovate and Thrive.

There are so many highlights of this conference that I know that I will want to be in two places at once…. often! I am really looking forward to the debate on the future of our library and information professions: hear from library school experts and practitioners and join in! This is a topic for us all to debate and to make our positive mark on the future.

The national Strategy for Public Libraries is a topic very dear to my heart and Amina Shah, SLIC CEO will expertly guide us through the work undertaken so far. There is also a mini library camp to give you a flavour of the fantastic opportunities that they offer. A special welcome to Dr John Scally, our new National Librarian and Gerald Leitner, Secretary General of the Austrian Library Association, Amina Shah and Peter Ross, our keynote speakers.

Most important of all, welcome to you the delegates. I hope that you will enjoy the programme, catch up with old friends, make new friends and feel a renewed energy and excitement in the impacts that libraries and information services will continue to make on all our communities.
Monday 1st June

09.30-10.30am  Registration, refreshments and exhibition

10.30–11.15am  Welcome from the President in the City Suite followed by Keynote 1 –The National Library of Scotland: A future vision for all Dr. John Scally, Scotland’s National Librarian

11.15-11.45am  Refreshments and exhibition

11.45-12.30pm Parallel Sessions
City Suite  The future of our profession
A panel discussion featuring contributions from various sectors

Art Gallery Suite  Rethinking collections when disaster strikes
Alison Stevenson, Head of Library, Archives and Collections, Glasgow School of Art

Melbourne Suite  A joint approach: shared LMS services for Welsh public libraries
Dylan Hughes, Libraries Officer, Wrexham County Borough Council

12.30-1.30pm  Networking lunch and exhibition

1.30-2.15pm  Keynote 2 (City Suite) - The challenge: eBooks, Libraries and eLending
Gerald Leitner, Secretary General, Austrian Library Association, and former President of EBLIDA

2.15-2.45pm  Refreshments and exhibition

2.45-3.45pm Parallel Sessions
City Suite  The Learning Lab: unleashing creativity, imagination and learning in Dundee and Angus College
Abigail Mawhirt, Head of Organisational Development, Dundee and Angus College

Art Gallery Suite  Riding the tiger by the tail: lessons learnt from running Public Libraries News
Ian Anstice, Public Libraries News website founder

Melbourne Suite  Harnessing CPD: How to make the most of activities and why revalidate
Luke Stevens-Burt, Head of Member Services at CILIP

7pm  Drinks reception hosted by Jeanette Castle, CILIPS President 2015 (open to all full delegates)

7.30pm  Dinner and entertainment – Saltire Beat (open to all full delegates)
Tuesday 2nd June

9.15-10.15am  Registration, refreshments and exhibition

10.15-10.30am  CILIPS AGM followed by a welcome from the CILIPS President

10.30-11.15am  Keynote 1 (City Suite) - Towards a National Strategy for Public Libraries in Scotland  
Amina Shah, Chief Executive, Scottish Library and Information Council

11.15-11.30am  Presentation of Student Awards to Beverley Ager and Nicole Wilson

11.30am–12 noon  Refreshments and exhibition

12noon-12.45pm  Parallel Sessions

City Suite  What we talk about when we talk about reading  
Philippa Cochrane, Head of Reader Development, the Scottish Book Trust

Art Gallery Suite  Harnessing technology to enhance community heritage projects  
Dr. Elizabeth Tait, Robert Gordon University

Melbourne Suite  The New Library Professionals Network: How it started and where we are now  
Amy Finnegan and Helen Monagle, co-founders of the NLPN

12.45-1.45pm  Networking lunch and exhibition

1.45-2.30pm  Parallel Sessions

City Suite  Focus on the Digital Preservation Coalition  
Dr. William Kilbride, Executive Director, DPC

Art Gallery Suite  Library Camp CILIPS15  
Anabel Marsh, founder of Glasgow Library Tweet ups and organiser of Glasgow’s first ever library camp in 2013

Melbourne Suite  Spotlight on a special service: Prison Libraries  
Jim King, Head of Offender Learning at the Scottish Prison Service plus a case study of the COSLA Award winning service from Aberdeenshire Libraries

2.30-3pm  Refreshments and exhibition

3 -4pm  Keynote 2 (City Suite) - “It’s not really about the books”  
Peter Ross, journalist, writer and broadcaster

4-4.15pm  President Jeanette Castle closes Conference
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