

RESOLUTION ON AfLIA

Proposed by: Library and Information Association of South Africa
Seconded by: Swaziland Library Association (SWALA) and Kenya Library Association
Adopted by: SCECSAL General Assembly, 8 June 2012.

The 20th Standing Conference of Eastern, Central and Southern Africa Library and Information Association (SCECSAL) meeting in Nairobi, Kenya, 4 – 8 June 2012:

Reaffirming this body's commitment to a vibrant library and information profession in the SCECSAL region and in Africa as a whole;

Appreciating the positive contributions national library associations make to the development of the library profession in the member countries;

Stressing the fact that Africa is gifted with many well qualified and well experienced library professionals who need to work together towards a common goal;

Cognizant of the need for a strong continental association to monitor the development of the library profession, and the various national associations and offer advice and support to the weak ones;

Realizing the need for a continental library professional association with a recognizable status in the African Union (AU) and the United Nations Economic Commission for Africa (UNECA).

We now hereby:

1. **Support** the initiative by IFLA Africa Section Standing Committee to establish the Africa Federation of Library and Information Associations (AfLIA).
2. **Call upon** IFLA Africa Section Standing Committee to involve all key stakeholders in the consultation process on AfLIA.
3. **Urge** SCECSAL member associations to actively participate in the initiative to establish AfLIA.