

**33<sup>rd</sup> Meeting of the Section of International Organizations,  
International Council on Archives (ICA/SIO)**

**Nairobi**

Recommendations

1. Recognising the importance of archives for development, especially in terms of transparency, accountability, and good-governance; members of the SIO recommend to give priority to the following development-related issues in its next 4-year work programme (2008-2012):
  - encourage participation and membership in SIO from development-oriented organisations, e.g. development banks, field offices, NGOs, etc., for increased outreach and coherence;
  - for the working group to organise a training-oriented session on public access and preservation in 2008 (before or after the 34<sup>th</sup> meeting in Kuala Lumpur);
  - encourage and provide outreach for regional cooperation among SIO members with differing levels of expertise;
  - recognising the role of archives in the process of reconciliation and general human rights, to promote discussion on this issue and facilitate linkages to human rights archives through the website and other outreach initiatives.
2. Realising the importance and continued adoption of practices related to ECM implementation among many SIO Members, continue to exchange information on the issues and challenges faced in moving to an ECM environment. In particular, with regard to multi-languages, multiple geographical locations, and cross-cultural environments in which we all work.
3. Noting the on-going work projects being undertaken by SIO on a number of subject matter, e.g. Guide, website, disaster planning, web archiving; the section encourages the members to continue to provide inputs, comments, and share results for a successful outcome and to increase the body of knowledge within the section, progressing towards a Community of Practice within SIO.
4. To enhance outreach and communication among the SIO through improvements in the operation and functioning of the SIO website. In this respect, giving administrative rights for timely updating and maintenance of the website to more than one SIO member, establishing procedures for the operation of the website, and creating a space for informal communication among members.