



To all IFRRO Members

Brussels, June 28th 2005

Dear IFRRO Member,

IFRRO Annual General Meeting, 2005 – INVITATION

We are pleased to invite you to IFRRO's Annual General Meeting 2005 which will take place at *Hotel Wellington* in the centre of Madrid, on Thursday, 27th October.

The AGM will be followed by a Seminar on Friday 28th October on topics that we think that both IFRRO members and others will find exciting. It is entitled *Copyright Creating Access: Collective management of copyright at the service of creators, publishers and users* and will have four panels: Information, education, culture and copyright - in search of a balance; Creating, publishing and reading in the digital era – new challenges for copyright; Copyright and libraries- the history of a long-term friendship; Copyright enriching education, education enriching copyright. It will include keynote speakers from WIPO, UNESCO, Library community and copyright expert councils.

Tuesday 25th October and Wednesday 26th October will be devoted to IFRRO Working Groups and Regional Committees meetings. There will be a Board meeting on Monday 24th October.

We enclose the AGM agenda together with the registration and hotel accommodation forms. One master copy of the reference material will be mailed out to the members in the middle of September. Copies of the material will also be in the conference bags handed out to the delegates at the AGM and made available on IFRRO's intranet <http://www.ifrro.org/ifromember/agm/agm2005/index.html>. This page will be updated regularly.

In addition to the IFRRO intranet, there is also a separate special AGM website hosted by CEDRO. It is accessible via <http://www.cedro.org/ifro2005madrid> offers practical information on the venue, hotels, the AGM seminar and social events surrounding the AGM, and we do encourage you to visit it.

AGM Agenda

The AGM will be called to elect the IFRRO President and vote on amendments to the IFRRO Statutes.

Registration Fee and Accommodation

The AGM 2005 registration fee is **EUR 360**, to be paid prior to the AGM free of bank and exchange charges. Cancellations made after 1st October will not be reimbursed.

Participants may choose from three hotels, the AGM venue hotel, **Wellington Hotel**, **Hotel NH Alcalá** and **Hotel NH Embajada**, located close to the venue.

In order to ensure accommodation, please return the attached reservation forms as soon as possible and at the latest by **22nd August** to the IFRRO Secretariat (fax + 32 2 551 08 95 or e-mail secretariat@ifro.be). October is a busy hotel month in Madrid. It may therefore prove difficult to guarantee hotel registrations received after 22nd August.

We hope that the information contained in this invitation will encourage your attendance and participation at the AGM 2005. For any additional information on the AGM arrangements, please contact the Secretariat.

We look forward to seeing in Madrid.

Yours sincerely,



Peter Shepherd
President



Olav Stokkmo
Secretary General