



PARTNERSHIP AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE SPECIAL LIBRARIES ASSOCIATION (SLA) AND THE AUSTRALIAN LIBRARY AND INFORMATION ASSOCIATION (ALIA)

Purpose

The purpose of this document is to set out the structure of the relationship between the Special libraries Association (SLA) and the Australian Library and Information Association (ALIA).

Background

The Australian Library and Information Association (ALIA) is the professional association for the Australian library and information services sector. It seeks to empower the profession in the development, promotion and delivery of quality library and information services to the nation, through leadership, advocacy and mutual support. ALIA represents the interest of 5,500 members, the profession and Australia's 10 million library users.

The Special Libraries Association (SLA) is an American based global organisation of information professionals in corporate, academic and government libraries in over eighty countries worldwide. It seeks to promote and strengthen its members through learning, advocacy, and networking initiatives and through its core values of leadership, service, innovation and continuous learning, result and accountability and collaboration and partnering.

Mutual goals

This arrangement is designed to promote our common interests:

- Information-sharing between library and information professionals in the sector
- Keeping library and information professionals informed about the latest developments relating to library and information science
- Providing opportunities for library and information professionals to discuss issues affecting the sector and to network with their peers.
- Promoting the value and impact of the work of professionals employed in special libraries and information services.

Agreement

- Each organisation will endeavour to include the other in discussion of any topics of mutual interest and to identify opportunities to collaborate for advocacy purposes at a national and international level.
- Each organisation will bear sole financial responsibility for its activities.

Functional responsibility for the relationship and for communication will be between the CEO of SLA and the CEO of ALIA.

This Agreement will be reviewed after it has been in place for three years from the date of signing.

We, as the Executive of the two organisations mentioned above and on behalf of the members of our organisations, agree to these terms and by signing this document signal our commitments to developing and maintaining a close working relationship between ALIA and SLA.

SLA CEO Special Libraries Association

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ALIA CEO Australian Library and Information Association

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Dated: 5 August 2015

Dated: 14 August 2015