

5.5113 The General Conference recommends to Member States that they take steps to ensure the supply of books and related materials to public libraries and the libraries of learned institutions and societies at the lowest possible cost; and in particular that efforts be made to ensure their supply to these libraries by publishers on the same terms as those available to book-sellers and other dealers.

5.512 Bibliographic Work. The Director-General is instructed:

To promote bibliographical and documentation services relevant to UNESCO's Programme.

To that end, he shall:

5.5121 As a basis for the co-ordination of bibliographical services, conduct a survey, jointly with the Library of Congress of the United States, other national libraries, the International Federation of Library Associations, the International Federation for Documentation, the International Council of Archivists and other similar organizations.

5.5122 In connection with this survey, prepare lists of existing international bibliographies of recognized value; and stimulate and assist in the preparation of such bibliographies for subjects not yet covered.

5.513 Select National Bibliographies.

5.5131 The General Conference recommends to Member States that they promote the compilation and publication of select national bibliographies of current "best books" relevant to UNESCO's aims; the lists to include brief descriptions of each work and to be translated, if possible, into the more important languages.

5.5132 The Director-General is instructed to request Member States to draw up, in consultation with their National Commissions, lists of the ten or more representative literary works best suited to provide understanding of their respective countries and cultures; and to ensure that these lists are printed and circulated.

5.514 Ex-German Libraries in Italy. The Director-General is instructed to continue in 1949 the financial support of ex-German Libraries in Italy by subsidy or loan.

5.52 Books

5.521 Low-priced books. The Director-General is instructed to encourage the production of low-priced books, periodicals, and teaching materials in the fields of UNESCO's interests.

The Director-General shall give due regard to the interests of authors and shall assure their representation in any committees of experts and in conferences called on this subject.

5.522 Book Exchanges. The Director-General is instructed:

5.5221 To maintain clearing house activities to provide and assist in the collection, allocation, distribution and exchange of publications as a reconstruction service, including the publication of a bulletin for libraries.