# Meeting of the International Committee of Independent Publishers (ICIP)



22-24 October 2024
Paris



# Meeting agenda

## Preparation ahead of the meeting

Please read the following two documents before the meeting:

- Associative life, organisation and communication of the Alliance (reminders and decisions from the 2023 ICIP meeting): <a href="https://www.alliance-editeurs.org/IMG/pdf/governance\_2014-2023.pdf">https://www.alliance-editeurs.org/IMG/pdf/governance\_2014-2023.pdf</a>
- The Alliance's 2024 action plan: <a href="https://www.alliance-editeurs.org/IMG/pdf/action\_plan\_2024\_iaip\_web.pdf">https://www.alliance-editeurs.org/IMG/pdf/action\_plan\_2024\_iaip\_web.pdf</a>

These documents are available online on the Alliance website (and were sent to Alliance members at the beginning of 2024).

The meeting will take place in English and French, thanks to the presence of a team of professional interpreters.

## Monday 21 October 2024

Coordinators' arrival in Paris

# Tuesday 22 October 2024

(9.00 am - 5.30 pm)

Venue: Charles Léopold Mayer Foundation

#### **NOTE-TAKING & KITCHEN HELP**

- Note-taking: Yasmîn and Francisca with quick feedback on day 3 as a conclusion
- Kitchen help / coffee and tea = Samia and Ronny

Morning (9.00 am - 1.00 pm)

Welcome to the new coordination teams (reminder of the mandates of each coordination team and the handover process underway)

#### Diversity of contexts and its impact on the book industry stakeholders

The aim of this session is to develop mutual knowledge between the coordinators and a better understanding of the diversity of the members of the Alliance, and to grasp the different realities that are representative of the working context of the Alliance members. For the coordinators, this means adopting a broader vision to take into account the intercultural context of the Alliance, which is essential for defining the association's objectives and building the Alliance's action plan for the upcoming period.

Each coordinator will be asked to give a maximum 10-minute presentation of the main political, economic, social and cultural issues in their country (a very broad overview of the working context in which they operate) and the consequences and repercussions of this context for the book ecosystem in their country.

Lunch (1 pm - 2 pm)

Afternoon (2 pm -5.30 pm)

Review of activities in 2024

Babelica: review of the 2024 edition and preparations for the 2025 edition

#### Bibliodiversity Observatory

- Guide to good practice (translated into several languages)
- Guide to good practice logo
- Online workshops on AI
- Upcoming workshops on the discoverability of African books in French
- Bibliodiversité journal (publication of the issue on precariousness in October 2024 and the forthcoming issue in 2025 on (R)evolutions in reading)
- Thematic working groups (in conjunction with Babelica)

#### Editorial partnerships

- Translations and co-publications of Terra viva in the Alliance's various language networks
- 1001 book-related activities in the French-language network
- Other projects (particularly in solidarity with Palestinian authors and publishers?)
- Groups by catalogue affinity (linked to Babelica)

#### Book fairs and exhibitions

- Tehran Book Fair, Uncensored (collective catalogue)
- Libre Libro, Guayaquil (Ecuador)
- Other

#### Planned activities for 2025

In this session, the coordinators share the proposals, expectations and needs collected in their network, so that the feedback from members can be included in the first draft of the 2025 action plan. The proposals of the REthinking group will also be collected during this discussion.

## Wednesday 23 October 2024

(9.00 am - 5.30 pm)

Venue: Charles Léopold Mayer Foundation

## **NOTE-TAKING & KITCHEN HELP**

- Note-taking: Marie Michèle and Samar with quick feedback on day 3 as a conclusion
- Kitchen help / coffee and tea = Carla and Germán

Morning (9.00 am - 1.00 pm)

Planned activities for 2025 (continued)

#### The next International Conference on Independent Publishing in 2026?

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#### Budget projections for 2025-2027

- Reminder of the draft budget of the Alliance (validated by the ICIP during its virtual meeting in February)
- Alliance partners for the period 2025-2027
- Alliance funding ethics

Lunch (1 pm - 2 pm)

Afternoon (2 pm -5.30 pm)

#### Collective and public position of the Alliance

Refining governance processes

#### Associative life and networks

- New memberships in the networks
- Withdrawal of some publishing houses from the language networks based on the criteria established by the ICIP in recent years
- Involvement, dynamics and roles of the national and regional groups that are members of the Alliance: coordination of activities, communication and operation of the groups within the Alliance.

#### Dinner (7.30 pm)

Café de l'Industrie (16, rue Saint-Sabin - 75011 Paris)

https://cafedelindustrieparis.fr/fr

# Thursday 24 October 2024

(9.00 am - 5.30 pm)

Venue: Charles Léopold Mayer Foundation

### **NOTE-TAKING & KITCHEN HELP**

- Note-taking: Azadeh and Colleen with quick feedback as a conclusion
- Kitchen help / coffee and tea = Mariana and Dieulermesson

Morning (9.00 am - 1.00 pm)

The next International Conference on Independent Publishing in 2026?

#### Operations and associative life

REthink group: review

Human resources of the Alliance (staff)

Lunch (1 pm - 2 pm)

Afternoon (2 pm - 5.30 pm)

#### Communication

- · Proposals from the REthink group
- · New tools: LinkedIn account, Linktree, etc.
- Ambassadors of bibliodiversity

Outstanding issues left open in the previous days

Review of decisions taken and conclusions

# Friday 25 October 2024

Departure of coordinators

# **Participants**

## The International Committee of Independent Publishers

- Ronny AGUSTINUS, Indonesia (Marjin Kiri), coordinator of the English-language network
- Germán GACIO BAQUIOLA, Ecuador (Editores independientes de Ecuador), coordinator of the Spanish-language network
- Samar HADDAD, Syria (Atlas Publishing), coordinator of the Arabic-language network
- Colleen HIGGS, South Africa (Modjaji Bookscoordinator of the Englishlanguage network
- Yasmîn ISSAKA-COUBAGEAT, Togo (Graines de Pensées), coordinator of the French-language network
- Francisca MUÑOZ MÉNDEZ, Chile (Editoriales de Chile), coordinator of the Spanish-language network
- Carla OLIVEIRA, Portugal (Orfeu Negro), coordinator of the Portugueselanguage network
- Azadeh PARSAPOUR, UK/Iran (Nogaam), coordinator of the Persian-language network
- Dieulermesson PETIT FRÈRE, Haiti (LEGS ÉDITION), coordinator of the Frenchlanguage network
- Marie Michèle RAZAFINTSALAMA, Madagascar (Jeunes malgaches), coordinator of the French-language network
- Mariana WARTH, Brazil (Pallas Editora), coordinator of the Portugueselanguage network
- Samia ZENNADI, Algeria (APIC), coordinator of the French-language network

## Members of the Alliance Board

- Laura AUFRÈRE
- Jérôme CHEVRIER
- David ELOY
- Marielle MORIN
- Luc PINHAS
- Thierry QUINQUETON
- Mariette ROBBES

## Members of the Alliance permanent team

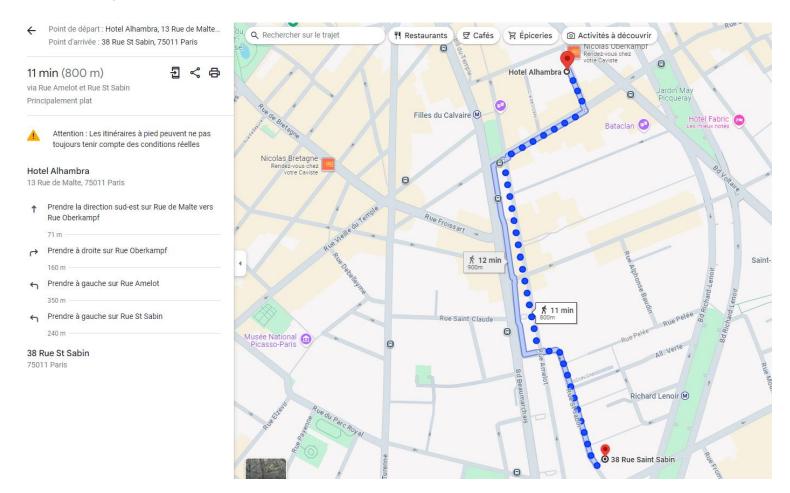
- Camille CLOAREC
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## **Practical information**

## Useful addresses

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Restaurant l'Industrie (dinner on 23 October) 16, rue Saint-Sabin – 75011 Paris https://cafedelindustrieparis.fr/fr

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