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□ UDCC OFFICE

The headquarters of the UDCC are in The Hague (Koninklijke Bibliotheek). The UDCC Chairman **Alan Hopkinson** (United Kingdom) coordinates UDCC business and is available to assist with general policy issues, projects, research and business proposals. UDCC office manager is **Sofia Kapnisi** and she is taking care of the daily office operations. Apart from English, Sofia speaks Dutch, French and Greek and is available to assist in all general queries about UDC products.

A revised UDC Licensing Scheme released in 2009 (<http://www.udcc.org/licence.htm>) is now fully implemented and the old licence contracts have been in the process of the adjustment to the new system. The new scheme has a number of advantages as it lowers the costs of the translation & publishing, offers more and clearer defined UDC MRF use licences and facilitates long term publishing plans. From October 2010 UDCC will offer new data services comprising of *on-demand data exports* and *UDC data alignment services* (comparison and alignment of old UDC editions with the current UDC MRF). In addition in 2011 publishers and users will be offered consultancy service and training courses.

□ UDC EDITORIAL TEAM

From May 2010 the UDC Editor-in-Chief is **Aida Slavic** (United Kingdom) and **Maria Inês Cordeiro** (formerly editor-in-chief) is appointed as the UDC Consortium business policy advisor (honorary position). Following these there will also be other changes in the organization of the team of Associate Editors which has become an invaluable working force in the maintenance of the UDC. From September 2010 this team will be formed of the MRF editors and the leaders of the specific revision projects with the two year mandate. As the position of an associate editor requires commitment and active involvement - associate editors will be offered to step down and remain members of Advisory Board at times when their other commitments prevent them from UDC activities. Since 2007 we have managed to build an active team of almost thirty international classification experts that now form the UDC Advisory Board. For queries and proposal for collaboration, please contact editorial@udcc.org. Current list of UDCC members, officers and collaborators is available at <http://www.udcc.org/members.htm>. Editors and translators of the national editions are welcome to join our closed UDC Development list at <http://lists.udcc.org/mailman/listinfo/udc-development>.

□ UDC EDITIONS & TEXTBOOKS

Detailed and updated list of last reported editions can be found at <http://www.udcc.org/bibliography.htm>. Highlights of the international publishing activity:

COMPLETE - The last standard complete UDC printed edition in English was published by BSI in 2005 (2 vol.), in French by CEFAL in 2004 (2 vol.), in Spanish by AENOR in 2004 (3 vol.), in Portuguese by IBICT (Brazil) in 2007 (2 vol.), in Russian by VINITI in 2009 (10 vol.), in Ukrainian by Book Chamber of Ukraine in 2009 (6 vol.).

ABRIDGED - Last abridged edition was published in English in 2003 (BSI), in Spanish in 2004 (AENOR), in French in 2001 (CEFAL), in Portuguese in 2005 (National Library of Portugal), in Russian in 2010 (VINITI), in Georgian in 2009 (Georgian Library Association). **Forthcoming:** CEFAL, publisher of the UDC in French is finalising their *8e édition abrégée de la CDU* to be available for distribution in October 2010. This edition will contain more than 13,000 classes, almost one third more than the previous edition. BSI is also planning the next pocket English edition to be issued in 2011. Dutch abridged edition by UDCC is in the process of preparation for 2011, followed by German abridged edition planned for 2012.

ONLINE - Complete online UDC editions are available in English *UDC-online* (<http://www.udconline.net/>); in Czech (<http://ajp.nkp.cz/mdt/>) and in Slovenian (<http://www.nuk.uni-lj.si/udcmrf2006/Predstavitev.aspx>). ~~Abridged online edition of around 6,000 classes is available in~~

Swedish. UDC Summary of over 2,000 classes is available in 27 languages. The list of UDCC products can be accessed at: <http://www.udcc.org/pub.htm>.

TEXTBOOKS: A revised edition of the UDC Consortium's book *The Universal Decimal Classification: a guide to its use*, by I. C. McIlwaine, was published in 2007. Portuguese, Croatian and Spanish versions of the 2000 editions are also available and an updated one in Romanian was published in 2007. UDC manual in Russian language *Učebnoe posobie po Universalnoj desjatičnoj klassifikaciji* edited by Y. M. Arskiy was published in 2008. In Portuguese there is a textbook *Classificação Decimal Universal: fundamentos e procedimentos* by M. G. Simões published in 2008 in Portugal and Brazilian textbook *CDU: como entender e utilizar a Edição-padrão Internacional em Língua Portuguesa* by S. de Souza is published in 2006. Slovenian manual *Univerzalna decimalna klasifikacija: priročnik* is available since 2006. Two recent manuals for use of UDC in school libraries are available in Croatian and Slovenian.

□ UDCC WEBSITE, BLOG & DISCUSSION LISTS AND USER COMMUNITY

There are three main channels to access information about UDC: The **UDCC website** (<http://www.udcc.org/index.htm>), **UDC Weblog** (<http://universaldecimalclassification.blogspot.com/>) and **Twitter** (<http://twitter.com/UDCC>) A new design of the website is in preparation. The first part of the improved content is the UDC Summary (see more under projects). UDC Consortium hosts three discussion lists: Spanish UDC users list *CDU-ES* (<http://lists.udcc.org/mailman/listinfo/cdu-es>); Italian users list *ITALIA* (<http://lists.udcc.org/mailman/listinfo/italia>) and *UDC Development* discussion list in English (<http://lists.udcc.org/mailman/listinfo/udc-development>) (private list for UDC editors and translators) General discussion list in English for UDC users is hosted *UDC-FORUM* (<http://www.jisc.ac.uk/lists/udc-forum.html>). University of Zagreb (Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences) hosts UDC discussion list in Croatian: *UDK-LISTA* (<https://list.ffzg.hr/listinfo/udk-lista>). VINITI hosts the Russian forum *UDK Konsorcium Rossiya* (<http://forum.udcc.ru/forumdisplay.php>).

In 2009 we collected information about large bibliographic databases classified by UDC, this is available at <http://www.udcc.org/bibliogr.htm>. We would like to collect as much information about UDC users and applications as possible (please contact editorial@udcc.org if you would like to contribute in collecting this information).

□ EVENTS

In 2009 we organized UDC International Seminar *Classification at a crossroads: multiple directions to usability* that took place on 29-30 October 2009 at the Koninklijke Bibliotheek, in The Hague. The conference was very successful and was attended by 135 delegates from over 30 countries. Programme was very interesting with a selection of 22 relevant and good quality presentations. Outputs of the conference are published on the website (talk slides and MP3s) <http://www.udcc.org/seminar2009/index.htm> and papers are published in Knowledge Organization journal 27(2010) and Extensions and Corrections 31 (2009). The conference was preceded by a one day editorial workshop *Round Table "UDC Editorial Perspectives" attended by 21 members of the UDC Advisory Board and Editorial team*. The report of the Round Table is also published in the same issue of the E & C. We have already started the preparations for our next UDC Seminar that will take place at the end of October 2011 and will be devoted to relationship between classification and ontology. The first announcement and call for paper will be distributed in November 2010.

□ PROJECTS

Our most important project in 2010 was the further development and internationalization of the UDC Summary (*udcS*) (<http://www.udcc.org/udcsummary/php/index.php>) - a multilingual abridged UDC scheme of 2000 numbers. UDC Summary is supported by a set of necessary software tools to enable online translations management and data exports. All translated data will be available for free download and use and the scheme will be extended with mappings to other international and national controlled vocabularies. The intention of the *udcS* is to serve as a classification demonstrator and a translation tools. There are over 60 translators, volunteers working on around 30 languages. Currently available online are 27 languages. We would like to invite volunteers, especially for Nordic languages for which we lack sufficient support, to join our team of over 60 translators currently participating on this project.

□ EXTENSIONS & CORRECTIONS TO THE UDC, 31 (2009)

The latest issue of the publication covers miscellaneous revisions and corrections whose need emerged during the year, from various sources: suggestions received from users, continuation of ongoing revision tasks (especially Common auxiliaries of Languages (Table 1c) and Place (Table 1e)) and a large number of corrections throughout the schedules raised from database consolidation activities. Part of the revised classes were postponed for publication in the E&C 32 due to the size of this issue which includes the conference proceedings.