

# Global Vision

## Report Summary

Top 10 Highlights and Opportunities

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**The challenges facing the library field  
from ever-increasing globalisation can  
only be met and overcome by an  
inclusive, global response from a united  
library field**



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**Incredible engagement that  
exceeded our expectations**



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**Never before has there been  
such an initiative**



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190



UN Member States  
on 7 continents

185



workshops

9,291



workshop participants

21,772



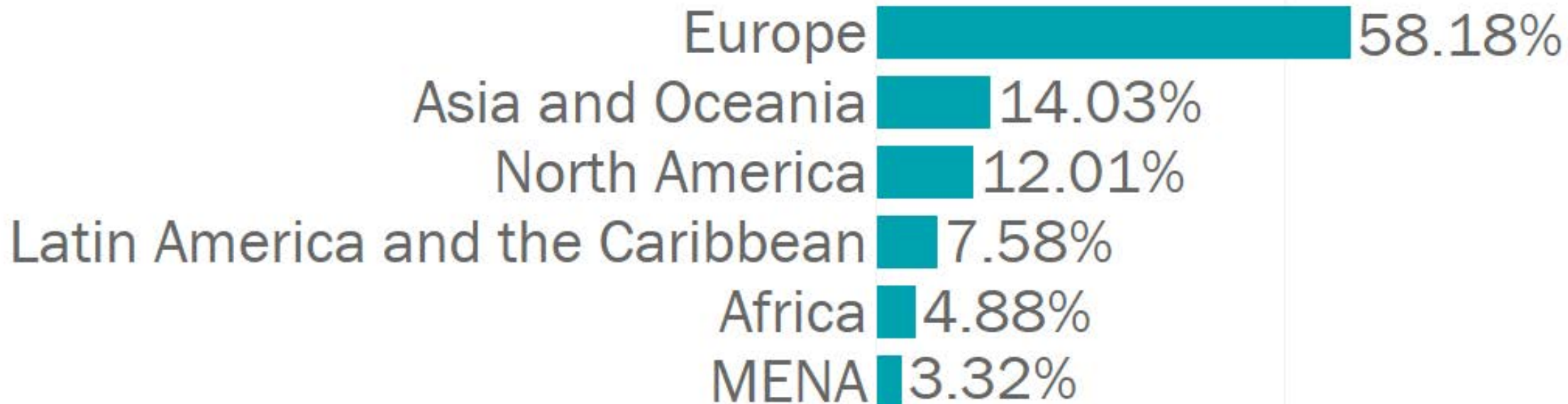
online votes





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## GLOBAL ONLINE VOTE % of participants by region



**ALL**

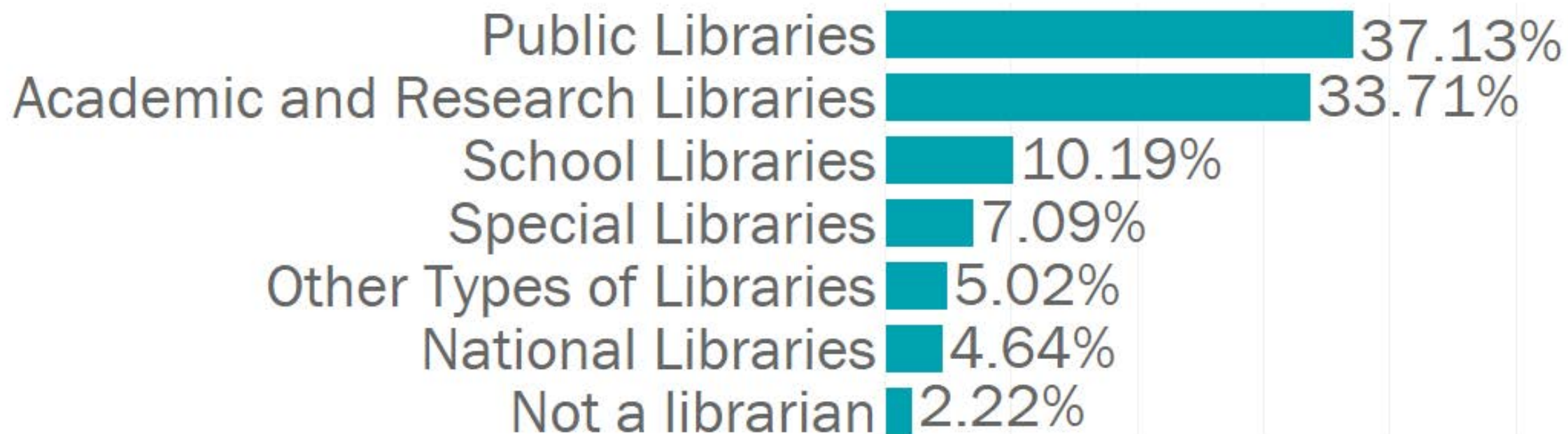


**generations and  
library types**



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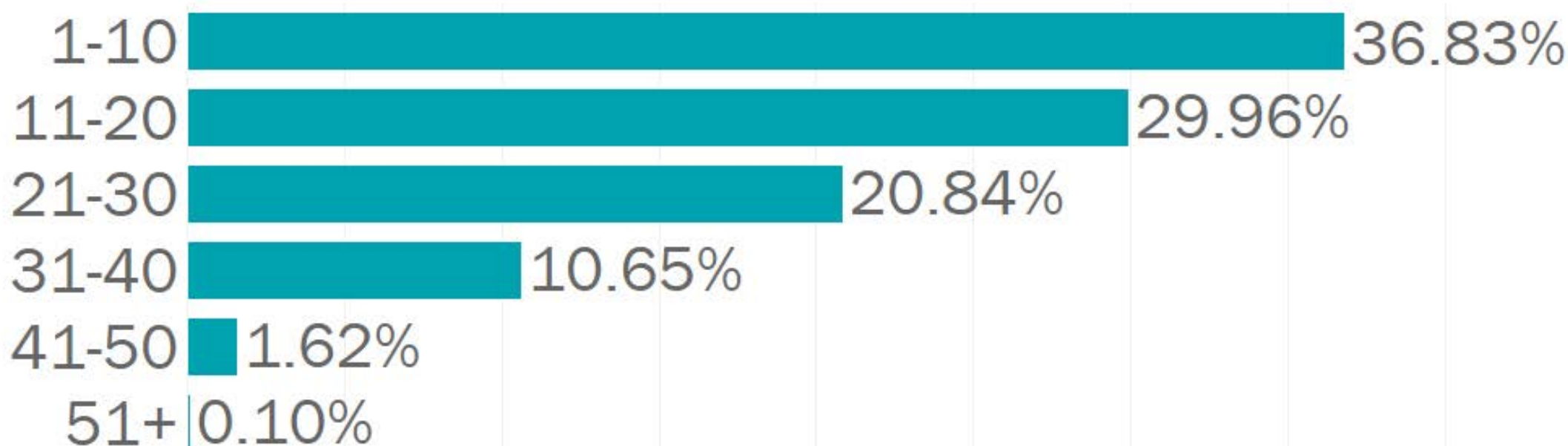
## GLOBAL ONLINE VOTE % of participants by library type





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GLOBAL ONLINE VOTE  
% of participants  
by library experience



469,152



years of  
library experience

# Key Finding

**We are united globally in our goals and values**

**We must connect global and local actions effectively**

# 1. Highlight - Opportunity

**We are dedicated to equal and free access to information and knowledge**

**We must be champions of intellectual freedom**

## 2. Highlight - Opportunity

**We remain deeply committed to supporting literacy, learning and reading**

**We must update our traditional roles in the digital age**



# 3. Highlight - Opportunity

**We are focused on serving our communities**

**We need to understand community needs better and design services for impact**

# 4. Highlight - Opportunity

**We embrace digital innovation**

**We must keep up with ongoing technological changes**

# 5. Highlight - Opportunity

**We have leaders who see the need for strong advocacy**

**We need more and better advocates at all levels**

# 6. Highlight - Opportunity

**We see funding as one of our biggest challenges**

**We need to ensure stakeholders understand our value and impact**

# 7. Highlight - Opportunity

**We see the need to build collaboration and partnerships**

**We need to develop a spirit of collaboration**

## 8. Highlight - Opportunity

**We want to be less bureaucratic,  
inflexible and resistant to change**

**We need to challenge current structures  
and behaviours**

# 9. Highlight - Opportunity

**We are the guardians of the memory of the world**

**We need to maximise access to the world's documentary heritage**

# 10. Highlight - Opportunity

**Our young professionals are deeply committed and eager to lead**

**We must give young professionals effective opportunities to learn, develop and lead**



**A vision without execution is hallucination**



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**The biggest ideas store for actions**

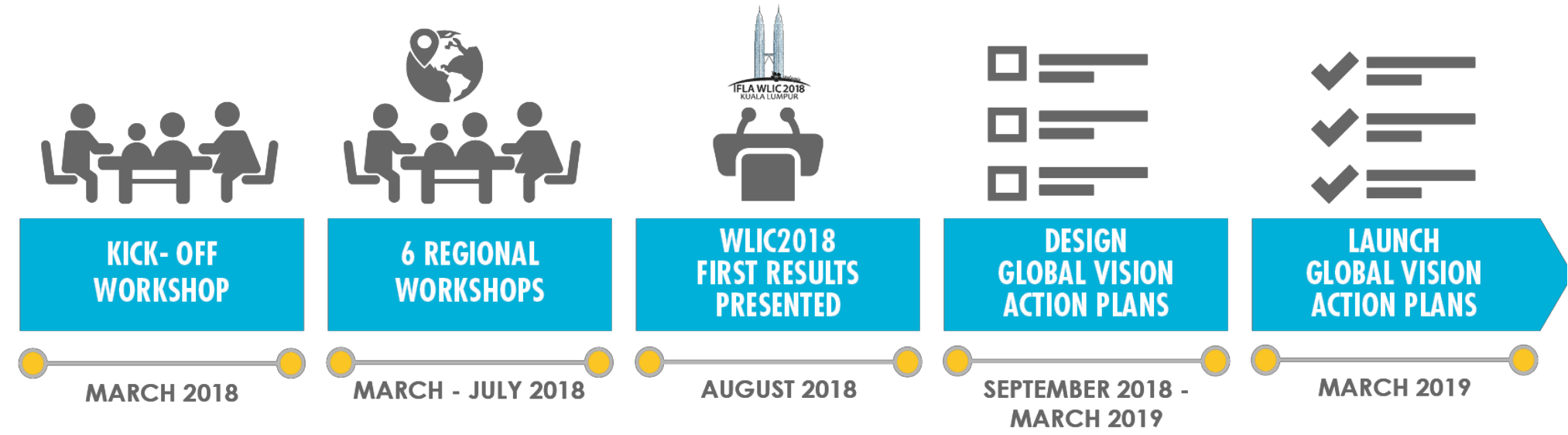
**A source of inspiration for all librarians  
and for IFLA in planning for the future**



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**CREATE A GLOBAL VISION**



**GLOBAL VISION ACTION PLANS DEVELOPMENT**



# **Our Vision, Our Future**

**A strong and united library field  
powering literate, informed and  
participative societies**



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Our future!**



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