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ISSN International Centre and National Library of Mongolia Establish the ISSN National Centre of Mongolia

The National Library of Mongolia and the ISSN International Centre are pleased to announce the establishment of the ISSN National Centre of Mongolia, effective 26 June 2026. Operating within the National Library of Mongolia, the new Centre will serve as the national authority responsible for the identification and registration of serial publications and other continuing resources published in Mongolia.

The establishment of the **ISSN National Centre of Mongolia** marks an important milestone in the development of Mongolia's national information infrastructure and publishing sector. By joining the global ISSN Network, Mongolia strengthens the international visibility, discoverability and accessibility of its scholarly, cultural, professional and news publications.

The ISSN National Centre of Mongolia will assign International Standard Serial Numbers (ISSNs) to serial publications and continuing resources published in the country, including academic journals, magazines, newspapers, newsletters, annual reports, monographic series and online continuing resources. The ISSN is an internationally recognized ISO standard identifier used worldwide to uniquely identify serial publications, regardless of format.

The creation of the ISSN National Centre of Mongolia will facilitate the systematic identification and cataloguing of Mongolian serial publications, support the production of the national bibliography and ensure that Mongolian publications are represented in the ISSN Portal, the world's most comprehensive source of authoritative information on serial publications. Through ISSN registration, Mongolian publishers, universities, research institutions and cultural organizations will benefit from improved international visibility and easier integration into library catalogues, indexing services, citation databases and digital preservation systems.

The establishment of the ISSN National Centre of Mongolia will contribute to the wider dissemination of the country's intellectual and cultural output and support its integration into the global information ecosystem.

Ms. B. Ichinkhorloo, Director of the National Library of Mongolia, states: “Today, we open a new chapter for Mongolia’s publishing and library community. The ISSN Centre at the National Library of Mongolia will help ensure that Mongolian serial publications are properly identified, registered and recognized worldwide. We are grateful to Director Bequet and her colleagues at the ISSN International Centre for their support, and we are confident that this Center will contribute to the preservation and promotion of Mongolia’s intellectual and cultural heritage.”

Gaelle Bequet, Director of the ISSN International Centre, comments: "The opening of the ISSN National Centre of Mongolia comes at a particularly significant moment for publishing in Central Asia. Across the region, there is clear evidence of a dynamic and expanding knowledge economy. Mongolia's National Book Festival now brings together over 200 publishers and attracts hundreds of thousands of visitors, and Kazakhstan's Astana Eurasian Book Fair is now one of the region's leading publishing events, welcoming dozens of international publishing and printing organisations from Europe and Asia. These developments demonstrate that Central Asia is becoming an increasingly important centre for the production, dissemination and preservation of scholarly, cultural and professional content. The ISSN International Centre is proud to support Mongolia's integration into the global serials information network and to raise the profile of the country's growing publishing sector".

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About the National Library of Mongolia

Founded in 1921 in Ulaanbaatar under the name Institute of Sutra and Scripts, the National Library of Mongolia is the country's oldest and largest library. Its mission is to collect, preserve and provide access to Mongolia's documentary heritage, including manuscripts, books, newspapers, journals, dissertations and other publications. The Library also serves as the national centre for bibliography and as a professional methodological institution supporting libraries throughout Mongolia.

Today, the National Library of Mongolia holds more than three million items, including extensive collections of rare manuscripts, historical documents and Buddhist canonical texts. The Library maintains exchange and cooperation programmes with libraries and cultural institutions around the world and plays a central role in preserving and promoting Mongolia's intellectual and cultural heritage.

About the ISSN International Centre

Founded in Paris in 1975, the ISSN International Centre coordinates the worldwide ISSN Network and is responsible for the assignment and management of International Standard Serial Numbers (ISSNs). The ISSN Network comprises 96 National Centres that work together to support the identification, cataloguing, dissemination and long-term preservation of serial publications and other continuing resources worldwide.

The ISSN International Centre manages the ISSN Portal (https://portal.issn.org), the authoritative international database of serial publications and other continuing resources. Through the ISSN Network, publishers, libraries, information providers and researchers benefit from a trusted system for the identification and management of serial publications across all media.

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