INTERNATIONAL FEDERATION OF WORKERS' EDUCATIONAL ASSOCIATIONS (IFWEA)

IDENTITY STATEMENT
Reference code: IFWEA
Title: International Federation of Workers’ Educational Associations
dates: 1947 - date
extent: 6 boxes
level: fonds

Administrative history: The IFWEA came into being officially in October 1947 when its first official conference was held in London and its constitution adopted. It developed out of an initiative of Ernest Green, general secretary of the UK WEA who arranged a conference for representatives of workers educational associations in countries where they existed. It was at this meeting that the decision was taken to develop a formal international body to promote co-operation between the existing organisations. Its functions were to co-ordinate experience in adult education and to stimulate the expansion of voluntary workers’ education in other countries. The IFWEA holds triennial conferences, international seminars and participates in research and special projects, many with UNESCO. The IFWEA was run from the UK WEA’s head office in London for the first 22 years - until 1969 when it was transferred to Dusseldorf. Since 1986 the secretariat has moved every four years and is currently based in Oslo.

Custodial History: The Collection was transferred from the WEA headquarters in Bethnal Green to the custody of the TUC Library Collections at the University of North London in August 1998.

Note: List compiled by Amanda Mason, September 1998

MINUTES
Reference code:IFWEA/1/2/1-7
Title: Minutes of the Executive Committee
dates:1945-1986
extent:7 volumes
level:series
note:
1. 1945-1967
4. February 1975-April 1977
5. October 1977-February 1980
7. October 1977-October 1986

CORRESPONDENCE / SUBJECT FILES
Reference code: IFWEA/3/1
Title: Papers relating to the Compiégne Training Course
dates:June - July 1952
Reference code: IFWEA/3/2-3
Title: IFWEA
dates:1976-80
extent:2 files
level:item
note:reports and agendas for the 11th and 12th annual conference. One file in French and one in German.

‘French’ file contains-
11th General Conference 1977
   Resolutions
   Proces-verbal*
Report on International Seminar held in Moscow, 17-19 November 1976
IFWEA Bulletin 1976-77
12th General Conference 1980
   Programme et ordre du jour*
   Projet de Principes, Politiques et Programme: charte internationale pour l’education des travailleurs*
   Resolutions
   Rapport des Secretariat et Comite Executif 1977-80*
   Reglement Interieure*, Liste des motions recues*
   Estimation des recettes et des depenses pour 1980*
   Formation et education de membres de syndicats et de partis de travailleurs*

‘German’ file contains * items above in German and - Satzung Beschlossen auf der 9. Generalkonferenz vom 1-3 Marz 1972, Israel.

PUBLICATIONS - MONOGRAPHS

Reference code: IFWEA/4/1/2/1
Title: Method of Workers Education with Particular Reference to Youth
dates:1962
extent:1 report
level:item
note:report of seminar held with co-operation of the International Labour Office and UNESCO

Reference code: IFWEA/4/1/2/2
dates:August 1964
extent:1 report
level:item
note:
Reference code: IFWEA/4/1/2/3
Title: Report of the International Seminar on Teaching Methods, Teaching Materials and Aids in Adult Education, held in Vienna
dates: July 1966
extent: report
level: item
note:

Reference code: IFWEA/4/1/2/4
Title: The Relationship Between Vocational and Non-vocational Adult Education
dates: 1958
extent: booklet
level: item
note: Report of a seminar held with the co-operation of the ILO and Unesco at the International Labour Office, Geneva

Reference code: IFWEA/4/1/2/5
Title: Workers Education for International Understanding
dates: 1955
extent: booklet
level: item
note: Report of a seminar held at Seehof College, Innsbruck

Reference code: IFWEA/4/1/2/6
Title: Workers Education Sudan by W E Styler
dates: 1962
extent: booklet
level: item
note:

Reference code: IFWEA/4/1/2/7
Title: Adult Education in a Changing Africa by David & Helen Kimble
dates: 1954
extent: booklet
level: item

Reference code: IFWEA/4/1/2/8
Title: Independent Voluntaryism in Workers Education by G D H Cole
dates: 1953
extent: booklet
level: item
note: Speech delivered by Cole to the third general conference of the IFWEA

Reference code: IFWEA/4/1/2/9
Title: Content and Methods of Education in Dealing with Racial Discrimination by Ulf Himmelstrand
dates: 1964
Reference code: IFWEA/4/1/2/10
Title: The Story of IFWEA
dates: 1980
extent: 3 booklets
level: item
note: English, French and German editions

Reference code: IFWEA/4/1/2/11
Title: Paid Educational Leave
dates: 1981
extent: booklet
level: item

Reference code: IFWEA/4/1/2/12
Title: International Charter of Workers’ Education
dates: 1980-1985
extent: 4 booklets
level: item
note: Deposited by Jack Taylor, 2000
- International Charter of Workers’ Education, 1980
- Circular Letter dated 7 May 1981 promoting knowledge of the Charter to legislators etc in the UK
- Document circulated to WEA Districts listing comments by MPs etc on the Charter, 1981,

Reference code: IFWEA/4/1/2/13
Title: Leaflets
dates: 1980-1985
extent: 4 booklets
level: item
note: Deposited by Jack Taylor, 2000
- Functions of the IFWEA Secretariat, 31 August 1983
- Publicity leaflets 1979, 1983-86

PUBLICATIONS - SERIALS

Reference code: IFWEA/4/2/1/1
Title: IFWEA Report of Proceedings at the General Conference & Report of the Secretariat and Executive committee
dates: 1947 - 1965
extent: 1 volume of bound reports 1947-1959 (plus 2 bound duplicates) and loose issues, some

**level**: series

**note**: the bound copies finish at 1959 and the reports for the fifth, sixth and seventh conferences are in loose format only

**PUBLICATIONS - PERIODICALS**

**Reference code**: IFWEA/4/3/1

**Title**: International Bulletin of Workers Education

**dates**: 1951 - 1968

**extent**: 32 issues (loose), 3 volumes of bound issues

**level**: series

**note**: Duplicate bound copies in French (1& 5-32 and German (issues 6-31) Handwritten index to contributions from member organisations

**Reference code**: IFWEA/4/3/2

**Title**: IFWEA Bulletins

**dates**: 1978-1985

**extent**: 11 issues (loose), 3 are copies of front page only

**level**: series


**MISCELLANEOUS**

**Reference code**: IFWEA/8/1

**Title**: Library List

**dates**: 1957

**extent**: 1 booklet

**level**: item