



Campusbibliotheek Arenberg (CBA)

"CBA : Library for the Future ... "

The situation of the past :

- Structure of the University Library in Leuven
 - Central library (local deposit library, general reference works, historical & cultural heritage)
 - 4 Campus library services (Humanities, Behavioral Sciences, Biomedical, and Sciences & Engineering)
 - Each campus has several sectional libraries (in faculties or departments)



Science & Engineering Libraries

Some Numbers - Location :

- 1. Ca.18 libraries (incl. many small library units without staff)
- 2. Almost 1.000.000 volumes (incl. Depot)
 - 3.050 journals
 - ca. 7.500 incoming / 13.000 outgoing ILL-requests/year
 - 20 km stacks in different libraries, 445⁺ seats, 3.670 m² surface area
 - ca. 8.000 students, 2.000 academic staff





Organisation before 2002

- Each department was responsible for its own collection, each library was typically staffed by a single librarian
- Cataloguing and ILL centralized in campus service
- Centralized acquisition of journals through EBSCO
- Campus library committee has taken away redundant subscriptions
- A limited list of "multidisciplinary journals" was funded by a central budget, composed according to a proportionality rule with respect to each faculty's working budget

CONSEQUENCES:

- Collections adapted to research groups, with little care for undergraduate usage
- No general acquisition policy



Discussion on Centralization

Arguments for continuation of present situation

- Short walking distance between library and office
- Local commitment towards acquisition budget
- Familiarity of librarian with his/her customers
- Facilities for access (private keys to library door!)



Discussion on Centralization

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Arguments for centralization

- Multidisciplinarity of sciences
- Individual research libraries forget their didactical mission
- Small understaffed libraries have resulted in:
 - limited opening hours
 - often closed for holidays
 - no specialised services
- Centralization may lead to:
 - Better (external) services
 - Smooth implementation of modern IT
 - Larger distances will be compensated by decentralized electronic information delivery
 - More possibilities for expansion & Improved "visibility" of the campus



Discussion on Centralization

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Why do we still need a (physical) library ?

- In spite of modern digital information technology, we still need space for *books*
- University concept is moving towards more "guided self-study" by the students;
 - \rightarrow We have to offer them the necessary infrastructure!
- The intermediation of electronic information requires a centralized management structure



CBA Concept

1. Library :

- Clusters
- Maximizing 'open-stack' collection
- Lay-out : journals, books, 'compactus', depot
- Automatic check-out (RFID) & (later) check-in

2. Information Center :

- CBA-Infonet & website
- SUN network (hot desking)
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- 3. Study Center :
 - Seminar rooms
 - Carrels
 - Videoconferencing Distance Learning Facilities



Building & Site : Old Celestine Monastery

- Architect International Contest : → Jose Rafael MONEO
 - The Celestine Monastery :



Jose Rafael Moneo architect

- 16th century (1521-1526) monastery of the Celestine order, attached to the Arenberg Castle
- 1783: convent suspended by Joseph II
- 1796: church plundered and left in bad shape
- 1816: duke of Arenberg breaks down the church and part of the West wing
- Around 1900: Refectorium used as horse stable
- End of 20th Century: Remaining parts are the East wing (Refectorium), part of West wing and 3 wings of courtyard gallery; university uses the site for a variety of purposes.



The final realization ...



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Joost Vander Baren (?) - ca. 1600 - Arenberg castle Heverlee



Lucas Vorstermans - 1727



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Ecuries du château d'heverlé

Première cour

(ca. 1900)

Nels, Bruxetles Serie 36 No. 93





















José Rafael Moneo

Doctor Honoris Causa K.U.Leuven 1993 Brunner Memorial Prize Schock-Prize Pritzker Architecture Prize

Museo de Arte Romano in Merida (1986)









































The new building

- Emphasis on <u>courtyard</u>, with missing side replaced by a modern construction
- Refectorium used as main reading room
 - New 2-floor open <u>stacks</u> and a large compact stack
- Modern space for undergraduates and general reference works (<u>didactical cluster</u>)
- Building lay-out is ideally suited for making the library a central meeting place of people



Campusbibliotheek Arenberg = Library

•	Largest books and journal collection for scient engineering in Belgium	ces &
	Total = ca. 1.000.000 volumes	
-	Capacity open stacks level 01 = books level -1 = journals 	280.000
	Capacity compact storage	600.000
	Capacity 'depot'	400.000
	 Total length shelves 26 km in-house (11 km open stacks + 15 km compactus) 	ca. 34 km
	Net surface area CBA complex	10.350 m ²
	Advanced library technology and multimedia f	acilities







Internal organisation

- Large stacks are divided in logical "clusters", each with its own subject librarian:
 - didactical cluster (general reference)
 - biosciences (biology, agronomy)
 - mathematics, computer sciences, electronic and mechanical engineering
 - physics, chemistry, astronomy, materials sciences, geology
 - architecture, construction, geography
 - (+ physical education and kinesiology)
- One information desk per 2-3 clusters







Ordering of the collection

- Monographs on upper stack level, journals on lower level (but recent issues in general reading room!)
- Older journal volumes and less frequently consulted works in closed (compact) stack or on remote location
- Ordering by UDC, but logically regrouped by "cluster"
- Electronic help through "<u>locator software</u>" in order to guide the user towards his subject area



Campusbibliotheek Arenberg = Information center

- Largest library for sciences and engineering in Belgium
- Substantial collection of electronic journals and databases
 - Carefully balanced <u>acquisition policy</u>
 - > 4000 "domain related" journals available on-line (11,000 for whole university)
- Actively maintained WWW-portal and in-house ICT developments
- Innovative computer network
- Partnership with external organizations, and management of their library collections









Campusbibliotheek Arenberg = Study center

- Unique architecture & 'study landscape'
- High-tech of the 21st century in the quietness of a 16th-century environment
- More than 500 individual study seats
- 300⁺ computer connections with Open Office / Star Office, WWWen CWIS access
- Ca. 125 installed computer desks
- Meeting and discussion rooms
- Multimedia work spaces
- Video-conferencing and facilities for distance learning & teaching

Partners :



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Campusbibliotheek Arenberg = High-Tech

- Special state-of-the-art computer network
 - e.g. "hot desking"
- Advanced multimedia- en video-conferencing <u>facilities</u>
- *'Team board' & 'white board'* facilities at various locations
- <u>RFID</u> radio frequency identification for management and protection of collection
- "Locator" software
- **Etc**

Partners :









CBA lay-out ...







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New acquisition policy

- Optimalization of journal collection through citation analysis:
 - analysis of citations in Master and PhD theses
 - selection of journals such that each department can find in the library (or on-line) the same percentage (50%) of its required source journals
 - same analysis is used as criterion to decide which volumes go to open and closed stacks
- Central budget on the level of the Exact Sciences Campus
 - partly from university funding
 - partly from research projects

- Analysis of the citations in more than 10.000 PhD and master theses
- Total number of analyzed citations runs over 500.000
- Sorted by journal title (or book, URL,...) and year; number of cited journals around 50.000
- High number of citations to a journal reflects its importance for the *local* research community! (More relevant than the ISI "impact parameter")
- If number of citations decreases rapidly with time elapsed since publication, this means that the journal has a "short lifetime". Older volumes can be put in closed stacks!

Journal Title	2000	99	98	97	96	94/9	92/9	90/9	86/8	80/8	<1980	ALL
Ann. CIRP		2	7	3	21	31	66	49	71	69	113	432
J. Sound Vib.		8		10	10	32	26	35	62	68	105	356
Int. J. Robot. Res.		3	1	2		23	29	23	132	87	0	300
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J. Acoust. Soc. Am.		6	13	12	10	15	35	28	21	35	72	247
Manage. Sci.					2	6	8	9	68	56	96	245
AIAA J.			4	2	2	12	14	25	27	41	93	220
Eur. J. Oper. Res.				1	4	40	30	54	31	44	4	208
Int. J. Prod. Res.				4	3	35	14	11	44	64	23	198
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Int. J. Numer. Methods Eng.				1	1	1	1	7	22	25	17	75
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