

## ABOUT LIBER

*LIBER is a professional network acting as the voice of the European research library community.*

*Our membership includes a wide range of academic and research libraries, national libraries and information professionals throughout Europe and beyond.*

## FACTS AND FIGURES

- *Founded in 1971 under the auspices of the Council of Europe*
- *A network of 430+ research institutions in more than 40 countries*
- *A Secretariat hosted by the Royal Library of The Netherlands*
- *5 Steering Committees to carry out exchange of information, best practices, advocacy, project development, and the promotion of innovation*

<http://www.libereurope.eu>

## JOIN LIBER

Do you represent a European research library, national library, library organisation, research university, agency or institute?

Put your institution on the map of European research libraries and become a member of the LIBER network!

As a LIBER member you can:

- attend any LIBER conference, seminar or workshop at a minimum of 25% and up to 50% reduced fees
- contribute to advocacy and lobbying
- get funding through involvement in EU projects
- participate in other actions, debates and partnerships

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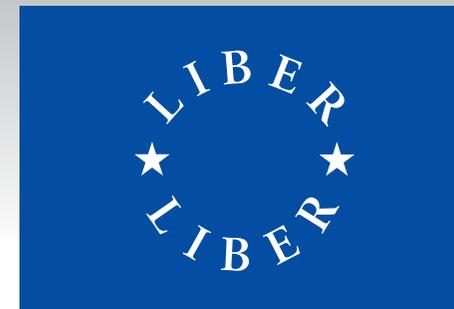
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*“Making the case  
for European  
Research Libraries”*

## OUR MISSION

LIBER represents the interests of the research libraries in Europe, their universities and researchers and works closely with its members to:

- develop and add value to the works of the European and international research library community
- promote synergy and growth in research library policies as well as efficient and effective information and management services
- safeguard the European cultural heritage by providing and presenting first-rate services to help its members keep up with changes in the digital age and to improve access to and the preservation of their collections

## ACTIVITIES AND SERVICES

- Conferences, seminars and workshops for professionals from Europe's finest research libraries to discuss and analyse topics of common interest
- Collaborative working environment for exchange of information and best practice amongst members
- Advocacy and lobbying at a European level
- Participation in projects funded by the EU
- Dissemination of information, press releases and publications, including LIBER Quarterly, the Journal of European Research Libraries, an Open Access title
- Fostering partnerships and cooperation with key players and other relevant networks

## LIBER INSIGHT STARTS HERE

### 41st LIBER Annual Conference

University of Tartu Library, Tartu, 27 – 30 June 2012

<http://www.utlib.ee/liber2012/tartu.html>

**The best way to get familiar with LIBER is to participate in its Annual General Conference.**

Every year, information professionals from all over Europe join together to make the LIBER Annual Conference an attractive assembly for facilitating dialogue and communication; building links and collaboration; identifying needs and sharing ideas and information on a European scale.

LIBER Annual Conferences are hosted by European libraries, which provide our members with a great opportunity to have their gatherings in European cities like St Petersburg, Groningen, Uppsala, Istanbul, Toulouse, Aarhus and Barcelona. In 2012, the Annual Conference will be hosted by our colleagues at the Tartu University Library in Estonia.



## PRIORITIES 2009 – 2012

For the period 2009-2012, LIBER will give priority to the following areas:

- Scholarly communication
- Digitisation and resource discovery
- Heritage collections and preservation
- Organisation and human resources
- Services to members

On the agenda will be topics like:

- Open access, e-science, primary data and innovative research work flows
- Digitisation
- (Digital) preservation
- Leadership development and succession planning
- Accreditation
- Library architecture
- Security
- Quality measurement

LIBER members are welcome to:

- participate in LIBER conferences, seminars, workshops and projects
- contribute to the debate and put ideas on the agenda
- join or use their expertise to initiate topic-related working groups to undertake and share research and rally other LIBER members around them

**The Strategy is under review and a new LIBER strategy will be published in Autumn 2012.**



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