





# Missions

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Manage and develop the documentary resources needed to support the research and teaching activities of the University ; make them available to the University community

Preserve and promote the University's historical, artistic and scientific collections ;

Contribute to the development of the critical spirit and information skills of the University community, through various activities (courses, seminars, etc.) ;

Provide and manage learning and working spaces (notably a Learning Center) ;

Contribute to the dissemination of the scientific output of researchers of the University and support the development of a responsible Open Science (in line with sustainable and ethical approaches) ;

Support and promote research activities relating to the world of libraries and information sciences ; ensure the University's position and influence in Belgian and international library and information science structures and groupings

# Organization

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## **Missions**

Organized and coordinated into six thematic poles



## **Administrative structure**

Local teams, coordinated by local managers (forming the « operational group »).

Common support services



## **Scientific commission (research)**

# Governance

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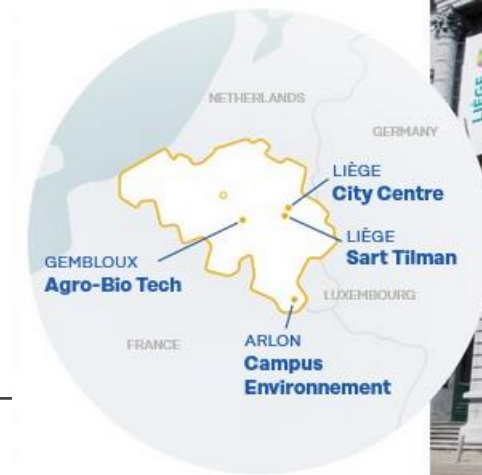
A Library Council, including representatives of all users :

- Faculties
- University Hospital
- Students

A wish to involve users in library decisions and developments

# Our spaces

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17 library sites, on all campuses :



## 20-Août

Reading Room (20-Août)

Historical Sciences

Germanic Languages &  
Literature

Romance Languages &  
Literature

Philosophy & communication

Sciences of Antiquity

Heritage collection reading  
room

Marie Delcourt room



## Outremeuse

Architecture



## Sart Tilman

Léon Graulich

Health

Veterinary Sciences

Sciences

Géosciences

Polytech



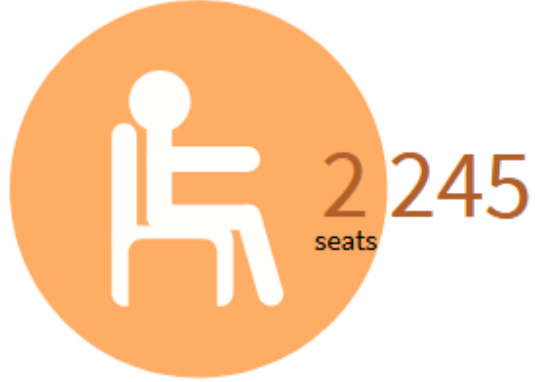
## Gembloux

Agro-Bio Tech



## Arlon

Environment



# Our spaces

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# Our spaces : efforts

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- Extension of opening hours
  - 2022 : Architecture, Environment, Sciences historiques
  - 2023 : Léon Graulich (Saturday and evening, during peak periods)
  - 2024 : 20-Août reading room, Health – CHU (10 p.m during exams)
- Various activities
  - Linked to teaching and research at the University
  - Or cultural activities
- Furniture or equipment, designed to meet (new) needs





# Our spaces : some projects

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- Renovation of the building of the Sciences Library, including the redevelopment of this branch
- Renovation of the remote storage
- Redevelopment of the Health – University Hospital
- Learning Center 20-Août
- Single site project in Architecture (including the library)



# Our spaces: what guides our choices

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Modularity

Flexibility/evolution

Accessibility

Variety of spaces and uses

Variety of acoustic comfort

Sustainability

Sobriety

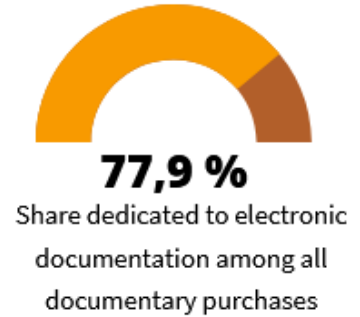
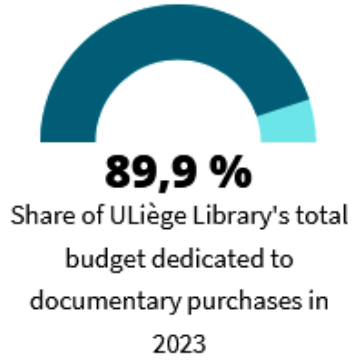


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JOURNALS		VISUAL DOCUMENTS	
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# Our collections

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## KEY FIGURES 2023





# Our collections: objectives

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Enrich our documentary funds to meet the needs of users

Maintain reasonable costs for the institution, through systematic negotiation

Investigate new types of resources (e.g. grain library, videos, etc.)

Questioning editorial models and their longer-term consequences

Guarantee the long-term preservation of resources (paper and electronic), in a reasoned manner (e.g. shared conservation)

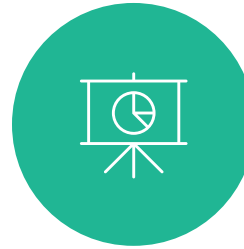


# Our staff

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104 people



88,5 FTE



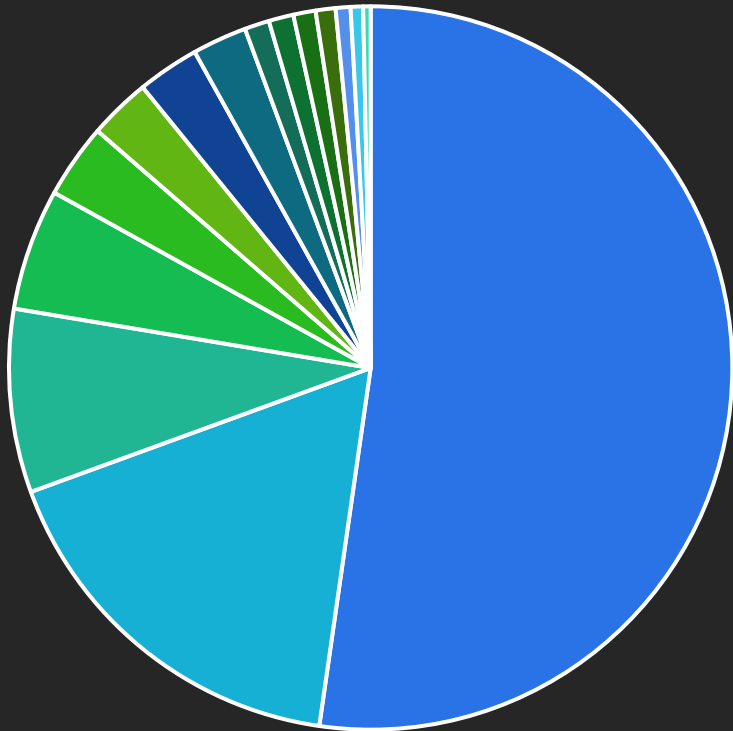
10,215 hours of service by  
student workers (2023)  
(+/- 6 FTE)



Support from volunteers from  
the S-Team project (since 2022)

Supervision of librarian  
trainees

# Varied professions



Profession	FTE
Librarians (incl. Acquisition, metadata, Open Science, eResources specialists)	47,2
Subject librarians	15,5
Mission or project managers	7,4
Library reception staff	4,9
IT Developer	3
Collections maintenance staff	2
Storekeepers	2,5
Accountants	3,2
Headlibrarian	1
Operational director	0,9
Restorer	0,8
Executive assistant	0,6
Secretary	0,5
Digitization technician	0,3

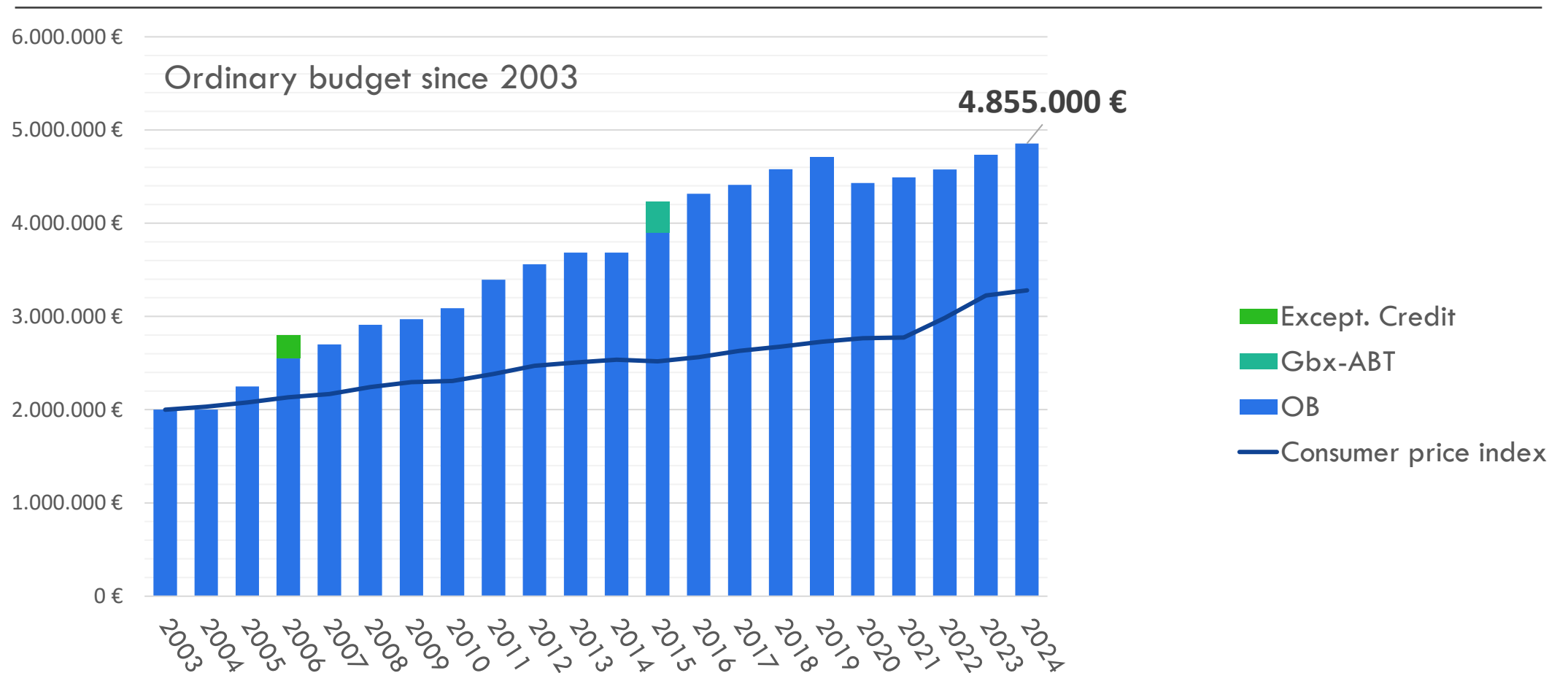
# Initial and continuing training

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- Official « Welcome program » since 2022, including
  - Welcome and general presentation of ULiège Library
  - Meetings (in particular with the 6 pole managers)
  - On-site visits
  - Training necessary for the profession or about the essential tools
- Invitations to follow continuing courses related to library professions
- Internal training on new tools, documents, missions, etc.
- ALLIS sessions
  - +- 1 hour on lunchtime
  - Broad theme : articles, stays abroad, sharing of experiences, presentation of projects...



# Our financial resources

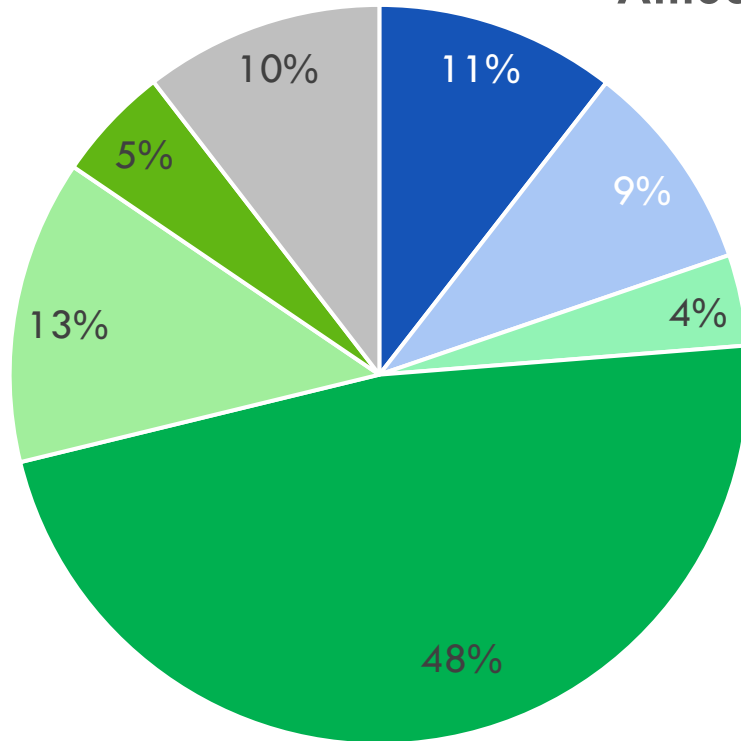




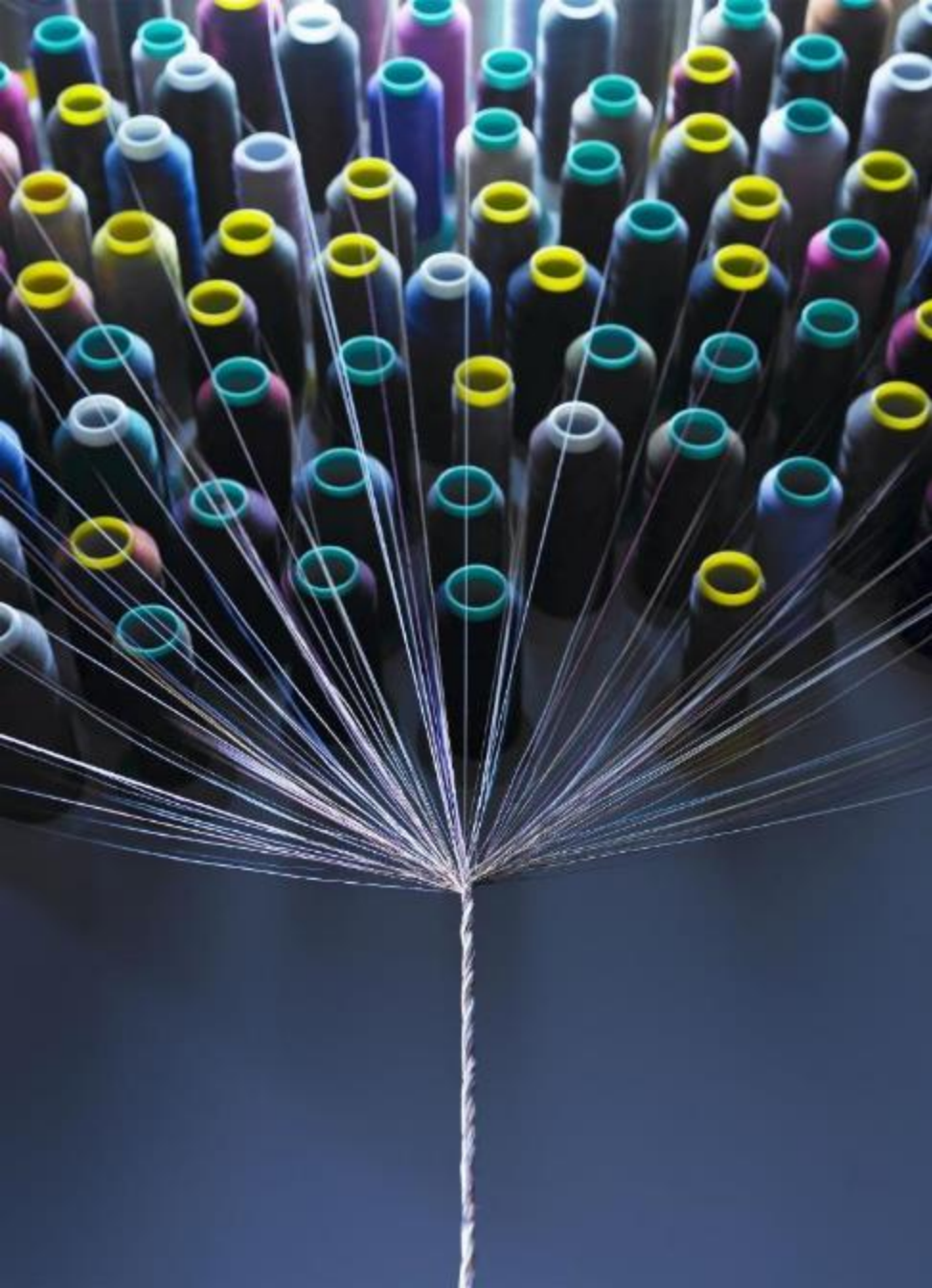
# Use of financial resources

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Amount of expenses for the year 2023



- Non-recurring resources in physical form (books, maps, etc.)
- Recurring resources in physical form (journals, etc.)
- Non-recurring electronic resources in electronic version
- Recurring electronic resources: e-journals
- Recurring electronic resources: databases
- Recurring electronic resources: e-books
- Other expenses (operations, equipment, furniture, IT, software, etc.)



# 6 poles

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MISSIONS, ORGANIZATION, PROJECTS

# Missions organized in poles

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Current  
collections

Conservation  
& Heritage

Open  
Science

User services

Support for  
teaching and  
research

Systems &  
Data

# Current collections

Generally more recent collections

For « current » use : consultation / download / borrowing

To preserve at least in the short/medium term (10-15 years)

Generally directly available in the library locations or online



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# Current collections : missions

## Strategic aspects

- Acquisition policy
- Budget distribution
- Resource Analysis
- Analysis of needs

## Operational and technical aspects

- Technical procedures
- Practical organization
- Accounting integration
- Order tracking





# Conservation & Heritage

Management and promotion of heritage collections

Long-term conservation policy for non-heritage” physical AND electronic documents

Disaster management plan(s)

# Current projects

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- Conservation policy
  - Conservation policy for books and course materials
  - ... toward a global conservation policy
- Preservation of physical documents
  - Training of a small group of agents in small conservation and preventive conservation interventions
  - Shared conservation of journals (internal group and interuniversity collaboration)
- Promotion of collections (digitization, exhibitions, conferences, publications, etc.)
- Disaster management plan(s)





# Open Science

ULiège Library has a long history of Open Access.

Implications at several levels:

- at the institutional level
- at regional and national level
- at an international level
- in the supply of numerous databases



# Missions

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1. Information, promotion and advice (OS roadmap, training and communication, events, etc.)
2. Tools :
  - Green Way (ORBi, Matheo...)
  - Open Digital Edition (PoPuPS, e-publish...)
  - Developments (Compass to publish, PeriscOApe, AcOBE, Harvesting FNRS...)
3. Internal activities of ULiège Library (communication, reflections and sharing of experiences...)



# User services

Activities in four directions :

1. Loan, supply and circulation
2. Spaces and equipment
3. Knowing ULiège Library
4. Activities in the locations

# Missions

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## Loan, supply and circulation

- Loan rules
- Partnerships in ILL
- Training & training materials for the Fullfilment component of Alma

## Spaces and equipment

- Furniture : analysis, purchases, renovation, maintenance
- Redevelopments of library locations

## Knowing ULiège Library

- Visits
- Students welcome day

## Activities

- Thematic tables
- Well-being activities during exams
- Board game evenings, cultural activities



# SUPPER

Support for teaching and research



## Teaching

Coordinate the courses relating to information literacy  
Projects : e. g. development of LibGuides, update of the framework on Scientific Information literacy

## Training

Coordinate one-off training outside the curriculum (doctoral training, etc.)  
Projects : e. g. development of a catalog of short training courses

## Research Support

Coordinate support for researchers, particularly in terms of information literacy  
Projects : e. g. development of guides to understand all the parameters of scientific publication (ethical aspects, bibliometrics, choice of journal, publication model, etc.)

# Objectives





# Systems & Data



# Axes

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14 thematic axes and/or  
around software solutions

ILS Alma	Primo	Integrations & Developments	Book it (LibCal)
LibStaffer	Library Mobile App	Standards & formats	Archive & Manuscripts
RapidILL (PIB)	Referentials & authority files	Rialto (ebooks purchases)	Processing of personal data
	RFID	Scribe	

ANY QUESTIONS ?

**Thank you**