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NEW START ON 1.1.11

MERGER OF THE LIBRARIES

Could there possibly be a better date to start something new? The libraries of the four research institutes of the ETH-Domain merged for the 1.1.11 into *Lib4RI – Library for the Research Institutes within the ETH Domain: Eawag, Empa, PSI & WSL*.

The predecessors of this merger reach somewhat further back into the past. With the construction of Forum Chriesbach in 2006, the merging of the libraries of Eawag and Empa was already undertaken. In recent years, both at the management level of the institutes and among the employees of the libraries, there has been an increasing desire to enhance mutual cooperation. Last year the directorates of the research institutes signed an agreement which regulates the integration of the libraries.

From the Agreement

“*The aim of the merger* is to provide the most optimal support possible for the scientists. It is intended that a wider range of media resources can be created by exploiting synergy effects, that the services can be improved by means of an efficient division of labor and that resources can be allocated more efficiently. The latter is intended to make medium-term reductions in library expenses possible.”

Library locations will be retained (including library holdings) and *contact persons* with whom users are familiar will continue to be available for consultation. In addition, books and other media from the entire NEBIS-Network can still be ordered

independently of library location. Furthermore, the **new website** for Lib4RI is being extended into an effective 'virtual location' of the library. Here the result of the merger provides excellent opportunities for enhancing the range and quality of service.

New Organisation

Since January 2011 the library team has been divided into **four work groups**. Each of the libraries has been assigned their own particular responsibilities: media development in Villigen, document delivery in Birmensdorf and information services as well as E-resources in Dübendorf.

A wider range of resources through merging and E-only

From the beginning of 2011 many journals will only be offered online. The PSI already took this step some time ago. The **change to E-only** not only makes it possible to provide a significantly wider range of journal titles, but it also makes a shift in focus in the library to electronic media possible – with the corresponding potential for improvement. In light of the approaching merger, intensive negotiations with the providers of information resources already took place last year. As a result you now have access to a **considerably wider range of databases and journals**, that is, to everything which was previously accessible at one of the four research institutes.

Newsletter

This is the first newsletter of the new library Lib4RI. We will bring out the Lib4RI-Update in future at irregular intervals – 3 or 4 times per year is planned.

Thanks

The last few months have been very eventful. The library team has achieved a great deal. Other departments have been supportive as well – both at Eawag and at other research institutes – and contributed significantly to the library merger. **We thank all participants for their dedicated support** and look forward to continuing to be there for you – our users – in the future. ///In /

CELEBRATE WITH US!

OPENING ON 10 FEBRUARY 2011

You are cordially invited to celebrate the opening of Lib4RI with us. Come and enjoy being inspired by the invited artists at our Apéro (programme in German language).

Kaffee und Gipfeli am PSI
9.30 Uhr
Foyer / Bibliothek

- Begrüssung: Peter Allenspach (Leiter Fachbereich Logistik, PSI)
Rik Eggen (Stv. Direktor, Eawag)
- Lib4RI – die neue Bibliothek: Lothar Nunnenmacher (Leiter Lib4RI)
- Slam Poetry: Patti Basler

Dessert an der WSL
13.00 Uhr
Bibliothek

- Begrüssung: Christoph Hegg (Stv. Direktor, WSL)
Rik Eggen (Stv. Direktor, Eawag)
- Lib4RI – die neue Bibliothek: Lothar Nunnenmacher (Leiter Lib4RI)
- Slam Poetry: Patti Basler

Apéro an Eawag und Empa

16.30 Uhr

Forum Chriesbach / Atrium

anschliessend

- Begrüssung: Rik Eggen (Stv. Direktor, Eawag)
 Roland Knechtle (Leiter Department Support, Empa)
- Lib4RI — die neue Bibliothek: Lothar Nunnenmacher (Leiter Lib4RI)
- Slam Poetry: Patti Basler
- Bar und Snacks
- Solo-avantgarde-Acapella-Projekt: Daniel Lüdi
- Powerpoint-Karaoke
- Überraschungen und Musik

NEW RESOURCES EXTENSIONS AS A RESULT OF THE MERGER

Information resources which until now have been available at one of the four research institutes are now available at all four institutions. That amounts to a substantially improved range of resources for all users. All of our databases and journals can be found on our website.

Multidisciplinary Databases

Scopus, an important literature database and an alternative to Web of Science, is newly available also on the PSI. Conversely, for the other three research institutes we were able to extend access to the patent database *Derwent Innovations Index*, as well as to *Dissertations & Theses* and to the *Conference Proceedings* in the Web of Science.

Natural Science and Technology Databases

GeoRef and *MathSciNet* have until now only been available on the PSI and are now available at all locations. We are also now able to offer all users access to *Biosis Previews*. *Compendex*, *Inspec* and *CSA Technology Research Database* have also only been accessible on the PSI – now these databases can also be used at the other research institutes too.

Reference Works

SpringerMaterials is a reference database for physics, chemistry and material sciences, which is based on the classic Landolt-Börnstein. In addition, the *Encyclopedia Britannica*, the *Brockhaus*, the *Oxford Language Dictionary* and *Le Grand Robert* are now available to all users.

Journal Packages

We were able to enhance the portfolio of online journals with several delightful additions. All 32 titles of the publisher *Annual Reviews* are newly available on the PSI as well, and over 300 journal titles from *Taylor & Francis* are now on the PSI and the WSL. Conversely, 9 titles from *Cell Press* which have only been available on the PSI can now be accessed at all four locations. A large package from the publisher *Emerald* with more than 140 titles, as well as *BioOne*, a platform with 160 journals from primarily smaller publishers, has been newly licensed.

The range of titles from the *Nature Publishing Group* could also be considerably extended because of the merger. The following journals are now available at all locations: *Nature Biotechnology*, *Nature Chemistry*, *Nature Climate Change*, *Nature Communications*, *Nature Geoscience*, *Nature Materials*, *Nature Medicine*, *Nature Methods*, *Nature Nanotechnology*, *Nature Photonics*, *Nature Physics*, *Nature Reviews Microbiology*, *Nature Reviews Cancer* and *Nature Structural & Molecular Biology*. Moreover, all research institutes now have access to all journals of many of the more important scientific societies: *ACS* (American Chemical Society), *AGU* (American Geophysical Union), *ASCE* (American Society of Civil Engineers), *ASM* (American Society for Microbiology), *ASME* (American Society for Mechanical Engineering), *ESA* (Ecological Society of America), *IEEE* (Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers), *IOP* (Institute of Physics), *IWA* (International Water Association), *NRC* (National Research Council, Canada), *RSC* (Royal Society of Chemistry) and *The Royal Society* (London).

Access Problems? When renewing licenses at the beginning of the year experience shows that there can be activation problems caused by the publishers. This is very annoying and we make it a priority to iron out such problems as soon as possible. Should something not be accessible, please contact us at: info@lib4ri.ch. ///mv, ln /

THE LIB4RI TEAM

THERE FOR YOU — WHEREVER YOU ARE!

The contact persons with whom you are familiar will also in future be available for you at the respective library locations. We additionally support you now from the other locations via E-mail and telephone as well as with back office duties.

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