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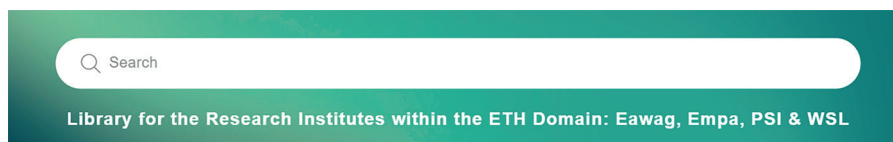

Contact & help desk

In person	At the information desks in Birmensdorf, Dübendorf and Villigen
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Offers & services

www.lib4ri.ch

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Study at the library

We offer reading and working space in a study-friendly atmosphere. Computer desks provide access to our wide range of online resources. Naturally, you can also print documents or do scans and photocopies.

Institutional bibliography & repository DORA

Research publications from Eawag, Empa, PSI and WSL are listed in Institutional Bibliographies. The library maintains them and ensures an indexing of the media with standardized metadata. Please submit your publications –including «Accepted Versions»– via the online form on our website (> Submit & Publish > DORA).

Support & services

You need assistance with your literature search, e.g. with Scopus or Web of Science? You have questions around the topic «Scholarly Communication», e.g. the publication process including Open Access, Creative Commons (CC) licences, copyright and publishers' agreements? You are interested in metrics, e.g. impact factor and h-index, or in an Open Researcher and Contributor ID (ORCID)? You require a DOI or need a plagiarism check? We are happy to help and look forward to your contact (publicationservices@lib4ri.ch).

News

The latest news on the library is available in our newsletter Lib4RI-Update, via Mastodon (openbiblio.social/@Lib4RI) or LinkedIn (Lib4RI), and in the news section of our website.
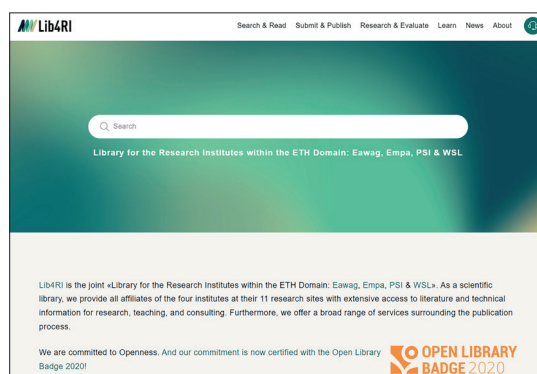
Courses & trainings on demand

Information on current courses can be found online (> Learn > Trainings). Customised training sessions tailored to your needs can be arranged at all locations of the federal research institutes. Additionally, we offer library introductions either individually or in small groups. Please ask your Lib4RI service desk for details.

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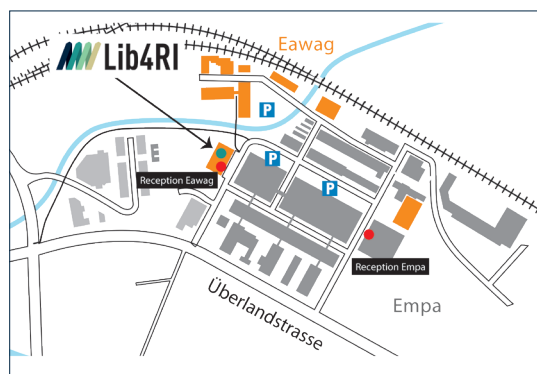
Lib4RI on the web   www.lib4ri.ch

Lib4RI: Eawag-Empa

Überlandstrasse 133
8600 Dübendorf
Forum Chriesbach (FC)
Room B30

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Mo − Fr   8:30 − 11:30
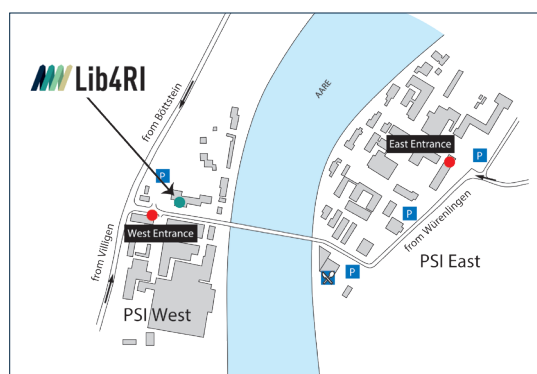   12:30 − 16:30

Lib4RI: PSI

Forschungsstrasse 111
5232 Villigen PSI
Areal West, Building WHGA
Room 012 (next to Auditorium)

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