

Scientific Library Services and Information Systems Division (LIS)

Since it was first established, the German Research Foundation (DFG) has helped researchers and information infrastructure providers to develop structures and services that ensure full, unrestricted access to scientific and scholarly information and enable the linking-up of different kinds of content.

DFG funding programmes enable information infrastructure providers to establish scientific information services and engage with current trends to respond to the needs of researchers. The main areas of funding are „Acquisition and Provision“, „Indexing and Digitisation“ and „Scholarly Communication, Research Data, e-Research“.

The responsible body is the Committee on Scientific Library Services and Information Systems (AWBI). Providers across the full spectrum of scientific information infrastructures are represented on this committee, as well as researchers in a range of disciplines representing information users.

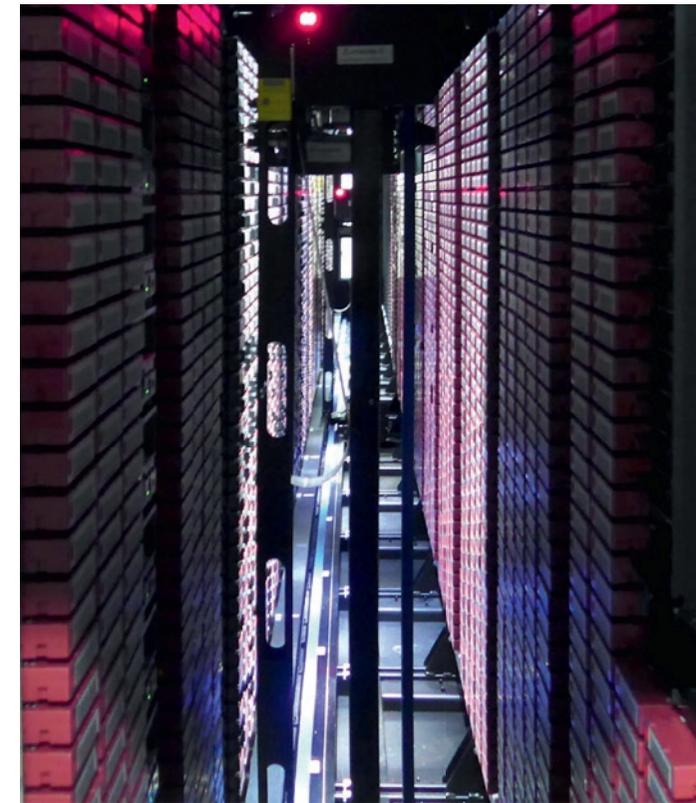
The DFG also participates in national and international networks such as the Digital Information initiative of the Alliance of Science Organisations in Germany, the European partnership „Knowledge Exchange“ and Science Europe.

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Acquisition and Provision

Specialised Information Services

This programme provides funding for projects that enable rapid, direct access to specialist literature and research-relevant information and that improve nationwide and international reference and presentation systems. Special emphasis is given to electronic versions of journals. A centre of competence for licensing provides support to libraries in negotiations with publishers.



Funding measures are oriented to the verified interests and information needs of researchers in individual disciplines, and are therefore developed in dialogue with specialist academic communities.

Licences for Digital Content

Through nationwide agreements, this programme enables libraries to implement and test innovative licensing models and approaches to bundling licensing activities in electronic-media acquisition that may be reused in other negotiation contexts.

Indexing and Digitisation

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The aim of this programme is to make outstanding, unique or especially important items and collections available for research through indexing and/or digitisation in nationwide and international reference and presentation systems.

Funding is also available for projects that complete or link up material-related portals or support the development of specific nationwide and international reference and presentation systems. The programme also funds projects for the (further) development of indexing and digitisation standards.

The programme currently focusses on manuscripts and printed works, but work is underway to expand the scope..



Scholarly Communication, Research Data, e-Research



e-Research Technologies

This programme supports the development and design of technologies for the acquisition, accessibility, processing, evaluation and backup of scientifically relevant information.

Infrastructure for Electronic Publications and Digital Scholarly Communication

The aim of this programme is to respond to the current situation in scientific publishing and scholarly communication by means of suitable infrastructure measures.

Open Access Publishing

This programme helps research universities to establish long-term, reliable structures for the funding of open access publishing.

Information Infrastructures for Research Data

This programme is aimed at both researchers and information service providers who need to back up, process and reuse quality-assured research data on a long-term basis.