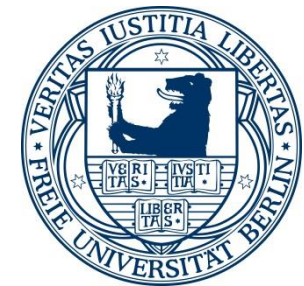




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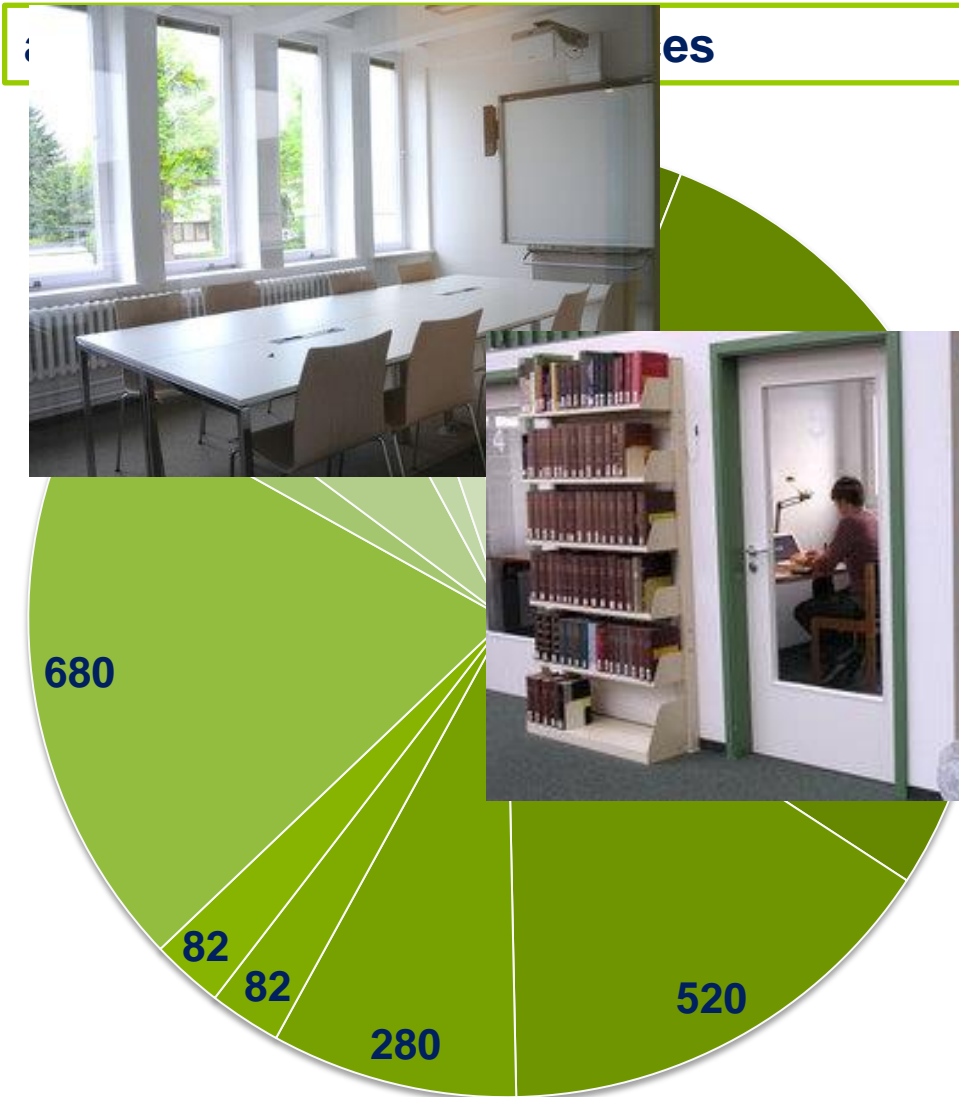


Library holdings at Freie Universität

- ~ **8.5 m** items
- ~ **1,500** databases
- ~ **30,000** licensed e-journals
- ~ **32,000** Open Access e-journals
- ~ **600,000** e-books
(including national licenses funded by the German Research Foundation, DFG)



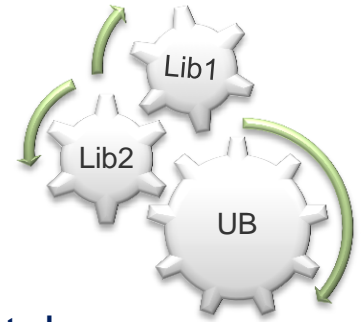
Library facilities



- Universitätsbibliothek
- Campusbibliothek
- Rechtswissenschaften
- Wirtschaftswissenschaften
- Sozialwissenschaften und Osteuropastudien
- John-F.-Kennedy-Institut
- Philologische Bibliothek



Cooperation between FU libraries



Cataloguing / Search

Aleph, FU Catalog, Primo / library portal

Acquisition

University Library: reference literature for all subjects,
department libraries: subject-specific literature

Licensing of e-resources

Several libraries share fees for a resource,
University Library is responsible for contract negotiations with publishers and administration.

Contract negotiations

e.g. copy service, bookbinding

Working groups Wiki

e.g. fulfilment, cataloguing, head librarians' meeting

Information literacy

as part of general professional-skills courses for undergraduates

Services provided by the University Library



Library portal Primo

library resources,
mega-index of 500 m records, supplied by
publishers or other information providers
(JSTOR, Thomson Reuters, ProQuest etc.)

Digital Library

gateway to licensed databases:
reference databases, full-text databases,
encyclopedias e-books, electronic journals

FU Bibliography

self-listing platform SEP
bibliometric services

Open-Access Services

institutional repository,
fund to support OA publications

Information-literacy courses

~ 150 courses per year for participants from all
disciplines: literature search, (bibliographic)
databases, citing sources correctly, citation-
management software, individual tutoring on
request

Special tasks of the University Library



External cooperation

External representation, e. g., in consortia, in library networks, Berlin universities (e. g., FAK, KOBV, Alma, RVK)

IT services for all FU libraries

Primo, Aleph, Verde, SFX, MetaLib, CD-ROM, search terminals / thin clients, support for libraries and patrons

United Nations and European Union Documentation Center

United Nations Depository Library since 1956
European Documentation Centre since 1963

- publications and documents published by, and related to, these two international organizations
- separate reading room area and information services

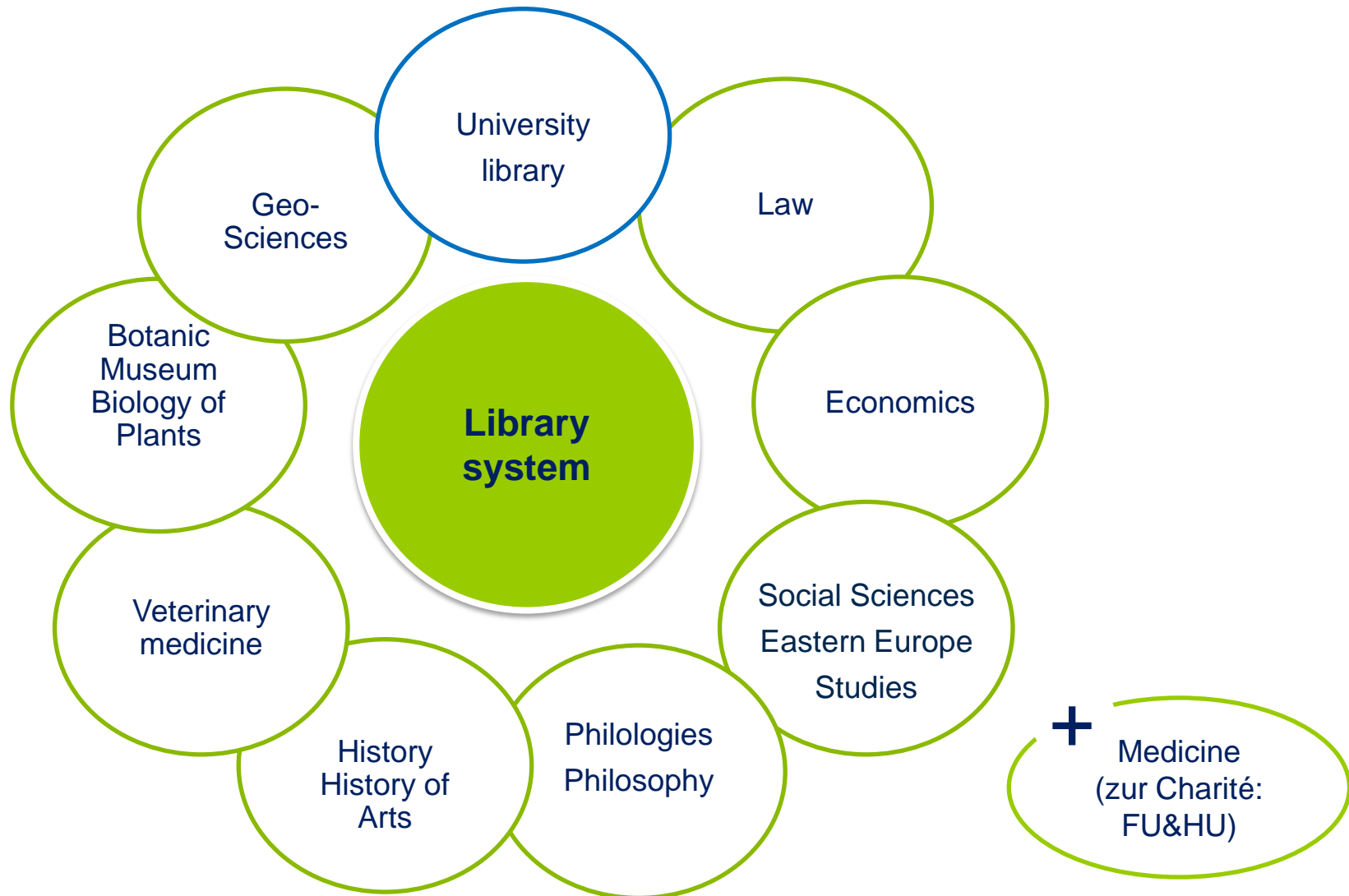
Restitution of looted books

Project sponsored by the Bureau for Provenance Investigation at the German Lost Art Foundation

head librarians

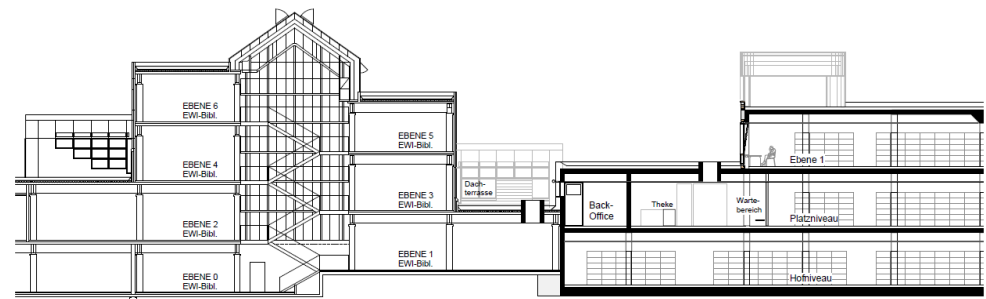


library system



Impressions: Campusbibliothek

- New construction and reconstruction 2012 – 2015
- Integration of 24 libraries
- (~ one million items)
- into one classification



Impressions: Law

- 1.7 in CHE college and university ranking 2014
- Reconstruction 2009 – 2011
 - New facilities
 - Rooms for teamwork
 - Family room
- PC pools: specialized law databases



Impressions: Economics

- Special services for academic department staff
 - Literature-search services
 - Support in listing publications in the FU publications database
- Special services for students: individual tutoring, consultation in managing citation lists, following citation rules, etc.



Impressions: Social Sciences and Eastern European Studies

- The largest Social Sciences department library in Germany
- Fusion of five libraries in 2008
 - Ethnology
 - Eastern European Studies
 - Sociology
 - Politics
 - Journalism



Impressions: John F. Kennedy Institute

- Special collection: North American newspapers
- Popular primary sources: comics, films, TV series
- Media room



Impressions: Philological Library

- Opened in 2005
- Architect: Lord Norman Foster
- Holdings in European Languages and Literature combined from 11 former institute libraries



Impressions: History / Art History

- Art History
 - Western
 - East Asian
 - South Asian (previously Indian)
 - African
- History
 - Middle and Western Europe
- Legacies, collections of facsimiles



Impressions: Veterinary Medicine

- In 1992, fusion of Humboldt University and Freie Universität Veterinary Medicine
- Library in former riding hall in Düppel since 1998
- Despite war losses, still various rare books (15th to 18th c.)



Impressions: Library of the Botanical Garden Botanical Museum

- Funded in 1819 as herbal library and herbarium
- Almost totally destroyed in World War II
- Reconstruction of holdings by acquisition of second-hand books after the war
- End of the 1990s: Integration into FU and integration of eight FU Biology institute libraries



Impressions: Earth Sciences

- One of the largest collections of topographic, geological and thematic maps and atlases in Germany
- Geography
- Meteorology
- Geology
- Space Science



The End



Thank you very much

..... and to Anna Kaiser and Sean Nowak