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Facing the future: Creating a new curriculum for library and information science (LIS)

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Abstract

The LIS curricula in Germany have had a very similar structure and contents for a long time, but in recent years there has been a continued request for reforms: Practitioners from scientific libraries warn that the students are ill equipped for the ongoing digital transformation of the information market and lack essential skill and knowledge, especially in the IT field while those from public libraries see them lacking social and didactic skills.

The talk will give an overview of the German education system for library and information science and the current state of development of new curricula that address these concerns. It focusses on the faculty-wide reform that will be implemented next year at Stuttgart Media University and the specific changes at the School of Library and Information Science.

Speaker's Profile

Magnus Pfeffer studied computer science at the University of Kaiserslautern and library and information science at Humboldt University of Berlin. He worked as a subject specialist and vice-head of IT services at Mannheim University library, where he was in charge of several research projects funded by the German Research Foundation. He became a full professor of the Faculty of Information and Communication at Stuttgart Media University in 2011. His research is focussed on automatic classification, large-scale metadata management and semantic web in libraries.



※ The seminar will be presented in English.

Anyone is welcome.

No charge to participate and No reservation is needed.

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