



## LIBER Announces 2022 Annual Conference in Odense, Denmark

LIBER, together with the <u>University Library of Southern Denmark</u> / <u>Syddansk Universitetsbibliotek</u> (SDU), are proud to announce that the next LIBER Annual Conference will take place in Odense from the 6th to the 8th of July 2022.

"After two successful Annual Conferences in 2020 and 2021, held virtually due to the Covid-19 pandemic, LIBER is pleased to finally return to our much anticipated, in-person Annual Conference that has been running for 50 years now," says LIBER Executive Director, Astrid Verheusen.

"At LIBER we pride ourselves on gearing our Annual Conference to the needs and interests of our network. And to do so for the 2022 conference, we're pleased to be working together with our co-hosts from the University Library of Southern Denmark," continues Verheusen.



"I am thrilled that LIBER's Annual Conference will be back in Denmark after more than 20 years and I am proud to host the event in the city of Odense, the birthplace of famous poet Hans Christian Andersen. We have incorporated his portrait in this year's conference logo to remind ourself of the adventure that we imagine that the physical gathering of hundreds of library people post the pandemic will be – hopefully meeting each other once again offline will feel like participating in a fairytale," says the Director of The University Library of Southern Denmark, associate professor Bertil F. Dorch.

In light of the 2022 conference, the University Library of South Denmark has created a teaser video. You can view this video below:

→ <a href="https://youtu.be/JqADwJkDJbk">https://youtu.be/JqADwJkDJbk</a>

The 2022 LIBER Annual Conference will take place in Odense, Denmark from the 6th - 8th July. Further details will be made available on the <u>LIBER Conference website</u> towards the end of July this year and also via the <u>LIBER Conference Twitter account</u>. We look forward to welcoming you to Denmark in 2022!

## **ABOUT LIBER**

LIBER (Ligue des Bibliothèques Européennes de Recherche – Association of European Research Libraries) is the main network for research libraries in Europe. Founded in 1971, the association (a Foundation or Stichting under Dutch law from 2009) has grown steadily to include more than 400 national, university and other libraries from over 40 countries. Together we work to represent the interests of European research libraries, their universities and their researchers in several key areas.

We lobby policymakers on issues such as Copyright and Open Access. We collaborate with our member libraries on European-funded projects and through events such as our Annual Conference, we create opportunities for library professionals to meet and learn from each other.

## ABOUT THE UNIVERSITY LIBRARY OF SOUTH DENMARK

The University Library of Southern Denmark is one of the largest research libraries in Denmark and was founded in 1965. The library provides services to app. 26.000 students, 4.000 employees and the public. Besides providing research literature the library support SDU's knowledge exchange with the surrounding society - for research, education, and learning at the highest academic level. The main library is based in Odense, a city of 180.000 inhabitants, where LIBER 2022 will take place, but geographically the library with six campuses and a staff of 100 spans the entire southern Danish region from Copenhagen in the east to Esbjerg 300 km in the west, and Sønderborg close to the German border.