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### The Technical Information Library -- TIB

#### 1. General Informations

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### 2. Acquisitions policy

Areas of excellence in the TIB's world-wide acquisitions are: technical and scientific journals, both general and specialised; conference proceedings; research reports; material from Eastern Europe and East Asia; dissertations; patents; standards, and technical regulations, as well as specialised dictionaries. The TIB subscribes to approximately 18,000 journals.

The TIB has a book stock of 2,750,000 items and 1,400,000 microforms.

Some 100,000 printed items and 50,000 microforms (microfiches and microfilms) are added to the collection annually, with electronic publications (CD-ROM and disks) being acquired in increasing numbers.

In 1993 the acquisitions budget for the TIB, including binding costs was about DM 10 million, this means round about US\$ 6.5 million.

#### 3. Public services

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reason complete volumes of serials and conference proceedings are not available on loan. Only photocopies of the individual articles are supplied. From a subject point of view, the most heavily requested material is in chemistry and chemical technology (19%). In second place are electrical engineering and electronics (14%), and in third place materials science (12%).

### 4. Co-operation with international database producers

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The library delivers bibliographic references to several databases, for example NTIS or SIGLE. The TIB co-operates with International Translations Center (ITC) in Delft and its database World Translation Index, which is offered by ESA/IRS and DIALOG.

An own department for documentation works on publications in eastern languages and publications in horticulture.

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All the requests, especially the online ones, will be changed into paper form in the library; the books are taken from the shelves and the articles will be scanned. There is only image-scanning, the file will be indexed only with the order number and by this way be brought together with the customer data and the account system. Invoices are written automatically. The delivery of the documents follows conventionally by post, by fax or PC-fax or by email or filetransfer in the near future.

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#### 7. Projects

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### Storing and delivering fulltexts

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In germany a lot of nets are working with low capacity. Germany doesn't want to lose contact to the international development, therefore in several parts of the country high-speed networks are built. The TIB is involved in a project, scanning coloured meteorological journals and present them with high speed for browsing on the workstation.

#### About the Speaker

Uwe Rosemann, born 1953 in Halle/Germany, study of mathematics, at first head of the mathematics library of the university library of Bielefeld, departmental head of reader services, since 1993 deputy librarian of the TIB (Technical Information Library) in Hannover/Germany.



# The TECHNISCHE INFORMATIONSBIBLIOTHEK TIB

The TECHNICAL INFORMATION LIBRARY
TIB

**UWE ROSEMANN - HANNOVER, GERMANY** 



# 1. General Informations

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- Main task: To acquire and to make available a comprehensive collection of conventional and nonconventional literature, especially foreign material, which is difficult to obtain or in difficult languages
- TIB is financed by the Federal Government (30%) and by the Federal States (70%)
- TIB is mostly integrated with the university library of Hannover
- 242.5 staff members



# 2. Acquisitions policy

- 18,000 journals
  - 4,300 Germany
  - 5,100 Europe
  - 3,200 USA, Canada
  - 1,200 Eastern Europe
  - 3,200 East Asia
- 2,750,000 items
- 1,400,000 microforms
- Special collections:
  - 985,000

reports, dissertations from the USA

- 197,000

german dissertations

- 97,000

research reports

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patents

- Annually 100,000 printed items and 50,000 microforms are added
- Budget: DM 10 million = ca. US\$ 6.5 million (binding costs included)



### 3. Public services

• Local loan: 612,000 requests

• Orders from outside: 430,000

206,000 from ILL

224,000 from TIBORDER

Customers of TIBORDER: 1,600

- 10% libraries

- 23% research institutions

- 62% companies

- 5% private individuals

• The most heavily requested material:

- 19% chemistry and chemical

technology

- 14% electrical engineering and

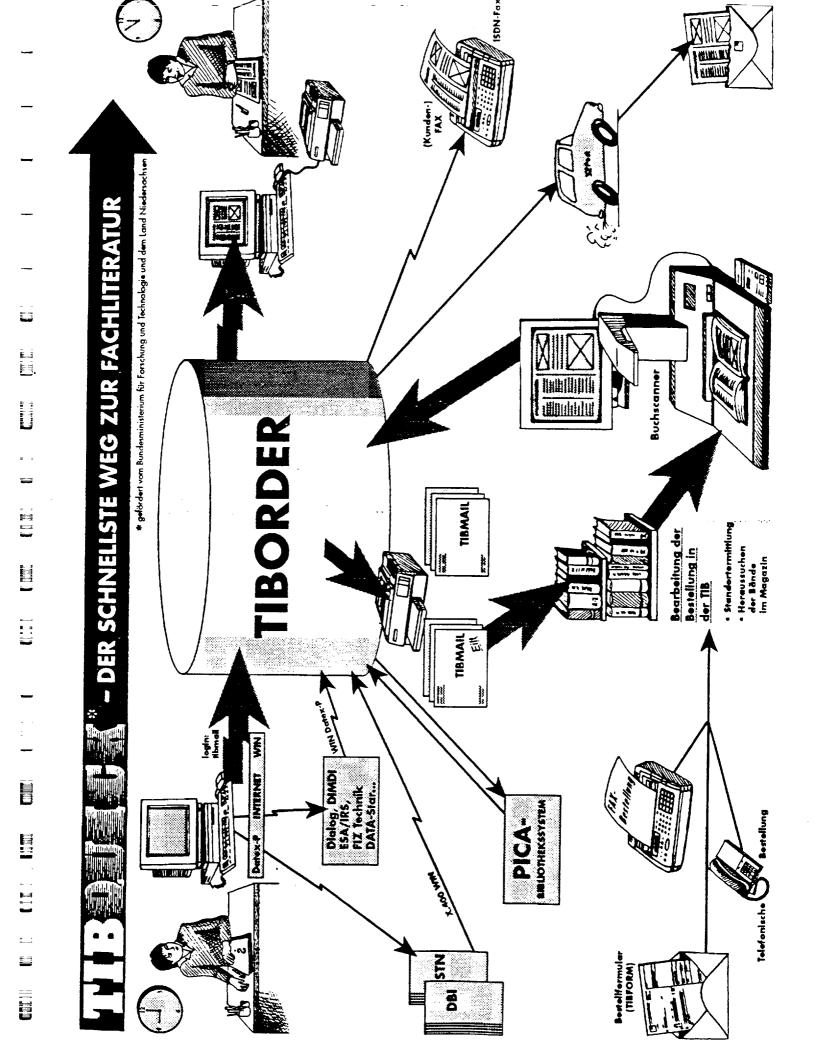
electronics

- 12% materials science



# 4. Co-operation with international database producers

- TIB is document supplier for the following hosts:
  - DBI
  - DIALOG
  - DIMDI
  - ESA/IRS
  - FIZ Technik/Datastar
  - STN
- TIB delivers input for the following databases:
  - TIBKAT
  - NTIS
  - SIGLE
  - WП
  - DOMA
  - ZDE
  - COMPUSCIENCE





# 6. Costs

**Europe** Outside Europe

Standard Service DM 18,- DM 25,-

Express Service DM 36,- DM 50,-

Express Service DM 41,- DM 50,-

With Fax Transmission plus telecommunication costs

Ordering facilities:

TIBMAIL: Internet (TELNET): 193.174.126.21

login: tibmail

TIBKAT / Host STN: User has to be registered

Fax: (+511) 715936



# 7. Projects

- Storing and delivering fulltexts
- EDIL
- High-Speed Networking

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As an institution of the State of Lower Saxony within the University of Hannover the TIB is financed 30 per cent by the Federal Government and 70 per cent by the Federal States. It is housed and organized in the same building as the University Library, founded in 1831, and the joint collection is available to users of both libraries, but the two libraries are separately financed. The users don't notice, that there are two libraries; therefore I will always say in this report: TIB, not UB/TIB, though the following statistics and remarks include the university library, too.

The 242.5 staff members of the library work in 4 buildings, three of which are next to each other in the central University complex, whilst the fourth, a remote store of 850,000 volumes is a 10 minute car drive away.

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The library provides in a special department all german patents, all european patents (EP) since 1978, all patents from the USA since 1976 and all WIPO-patents (WO), most of them on CD-ROM.

Some 100,000 printed items and 50,000 microforms (microfiche and microfilms) are added to the collection annually, with electronic publications (CD-ROM and disks) being acquired in increasing numbers. In general the CD's contain bibliographic databases, which are made available in the local network of the library. In most cases the floppy disks store software and data from a book as accompanying material, users lend them together with the books.

In 1993 the acquisitions budget for the TIB, including binding costs was about DM 10 million, this means round about US\$ 6.5 million. German material accounts for about 30 per cent of the acquisitions and foreign

material 70 per cent. In other words, foreign material forms the bulk of the collection.

### 3. Public services

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The local loan counts 23,000 readers; this number seems to be not very impressive. The explanation is the fact, that the UB/TIB -here it is necessary to say UB- as an university library is only responsible for engineering and science, but not for social sciences and humanities. There is another library in Hannover, which accepted that task.

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TIBORDER is regularly used by 1,600 customers: 10 per cent of which are libraries, 23 per cent research institutions, 62 per cent companies and 5 per cent private individuals.

The vast majority of requests are for journal articles (66 per cent) and conference papers (24 per cent), with the main demand being for documents from the last 10 years (80 per cent of the incoming requests). For this reason complete volumes of serials and conference proceedings are not available on loan. Only photocopies of the individual articles are supplied. From a subject point of view, the most heavily requested material is in chemistry and chemical technology (19 per cent). In second place are electrical engineering and electronics (14 per cent), and in third place materials science (12 per cent).

The different ways of document ordering using TIBORDER will be presented the next but one section.

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# 5. The document delivery service of the TIB

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The transparency gives you an overlook to the several ways of ordering and delivering documents with the TIBORDER-service.

At first the word "TIBQUICK" was the name for a project, which realized some ways of access to the TIB; today it means the express service for urgent requests.

The left side of the graphic demonstrates the way of inpul, the middle stands for the production in the library, on the right the output is shown.

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PICA is an integrated library system, built in the Netherlands, which is used by several university libraries in Germany. The software also contains a module for Interlibrary loan, which in future has to be connected with TIBMAIL.

Besides the different ways of online ordering, the customer may use fax. phone or an order form (TIBFORM), which has to be payed in advance.

All the requests, especially the online ones, will be put in paper form in the library; the books are taken from the shelfs and actually now, there is still a complicated and antiquated procedure of producing paper-copies: at first a microfilm is exposed, in a second step the microfilm will be re-enlarged to paper-form. Just in the next weeks a test-configuration of a new system will be installed in the TIB: We plan to scan all articles with a special book-scanner. There is only image-scanning, the file will be indexed only with the order number and by this way be brought together with the customer data

and the account system. Invoices are written automatically. We hope that in 1996 we are able to switch to the new system for all requests. The delivery of the documents follows conventionally by post, by fax or PC-fax or by email or filetransfer in the near future.

Some remarks to the method of accounting. There are three possibilities: to pay in advance, for example: buying the order-forms, to establish a deposit account or to be charged individually or by a collective bill for a fixed period.

I think this is one great advantage of the services of the TIB: You may order by fax or online without registration first

#### 6. Costs

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There are three price lists, one for german research institutes, libraries etc. which are mainly financed by the german government, one list is valid for the rost of Germany, especially for commercial customers and all customers in Europe. The third price list is valid for all customers outside Europe. On the transperancy you find the lists 2 and 3.

The transparency demonstrates once more the different ways of ordering.

#### 7. Projects

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That is the theory. In practice the TIB will be probably involved in a german test case in the near future, initiated by the "Buchhändlervereinigung", the german group of interest for publishers and book sellers. I don't know how much time such a civil action will need, but we hope one possible result will be a standardized structure for procedures and costs for all publishers and libraries in Germany.

#### **EDIL**

Some partners of the European Union, the BLDSC in Great Britain, Pica in The Netherlands, INIST, Télésystèmes and the french ministry of research in France and the TiB work together in a project, called EDIL, that means "Electronic Document Interchange between Libraries".

They want to define standards on the basis of EDIFACT for sending electronic documents to some partner. Therefore for the different local

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computer systems a national relay has to be developed, which can be used as an interface between the national and the international communication structures.

Finally the system should work for requests and document delivery of foreign literature, which is not found in the stocks of the own library.

### High-speed networking

In Germany a lot of nets are working with low capacity: 64 kbps or 2 Mbps is the normal case.

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#### 8. Some final remarks

The document delivery services of the library are used worldwide.

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That is why the politics of economy in Germany doesn't stop at the budget of our library. So we have entered into negotiations with some commercial document suppliers to increase the number of requests with costs.

Now I'm finished and I hope, some important informations about the "Technical Information Library" in Hannover, Germany and its services have become clear in the disposable time. Of course, I am ready to give further informations or to send some information material from Germany.