

CERN LIBRARY SERVICES PROCEDURES

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Summary

After thanking the Division for the invitation I described briefly the dimensions of the CERN Library, its services and the concern for the budget resources cuts.

I invited the ST division to join the SIPB (Scientific Information Policy Board) in expressing the division's needs in terms of documentation and library services.

Then I described the current publication policy in use at CERN. I encouraged the division to organize its own publication series numbered in the standard way: CERN-ST-yy-xxx, where yy is the year and xxx is a sequential number given by the division delegate to publications.

The ST division accepted the suggestion, decided to start the CERN-ST document series, appointed a reviewer task force (T. Watson: CE, J. Inigo-Golfin: CV, R. Parker: computer science and control rooms) and Edith Lafouge in charge of submitting the documents prepared for publication to the Library.

The presentation was also an excellent opportunity to present a few new important services like: the site licences for the Encyclopedia Britannica and for the INSPEC database. A reference librarian has been assigned to answer difficult and long question not satisfied at the Library Desk; he is also available to train readers "on the fly" to use the Library catalogues and services.

Particularly valuable is the current electronic journal collection now at the level of more than 150 journals available on-line in full-text format to all CERN users.

I also underlined the possibility to look to outside services for documents not in our holdings. This service called Inter Library Loan can be extended to a class of documents of certain interest to ST division such as standards and patents.

On behalf of the Library users and staff I took the opportunity to thank the ST division for the extremely successful work done during the renovation of the Library building.