

CHECKLIST FOR CENL ANNUAL REPORTS

- *1. Management of the library:* Since March 19, 1999 Mrs Monique Kieffer is in charge (Title: Directrice f.f.) of the Bibliothèque nationale Luxembourg (BnL).
- *3. Funding:* Funding has increased in the 1999 financial year. This increase has enabled the library to improve its services.
- *4. Legislation:* The statutes of the national cultural institutes, including those of the Bibliothèque nationale Luxembourg date from 1988: they are presently being updated.
- *5. Buildings:* Preparations are underway to add a new building which will be situated in the modern Kirchberg district. The historic BnL building in the city-centre will be renovated at a future date.
- *6. Staffing matters:* In 1999 the BnL has requested and been granted additional posts (e.g. a librarian and a computer specialist). Moreover, the entire staff has attended computer and data processing classes.
- *7. Information technology and networks:* The library's Operational System has been updated to Windows NT, and improved software has been installed. In June 1999, the BnL has opted for a new Library Management System (ALEPH 500 by Ex Libris). The migration from the previous SIBIL system has been completed successfully in March 2000 and the new OPAC can now be visited at <http://aleph.etat.lu:4505/ALEPH>

Furthermore, a library-resident computer systems manager will be hired in 2000.
- *8. The digital library:* A digital programmes pilot project is being prepared for 2001.
- *13. Cultural events, exhibitions and publishing:* Numerous lectures and exhibitions are held the year round: the 1999 'Trésors de Lorraine' exhibition, in cooperation with the Association des bibliothécaires français, has been particularly successful. The BnL continues to publish its yearly "Bibliographie Luxembourgeoise".

- *14. Library co-operation:* The BnL heads the Réseau national ALEPH Luxembourg, which has replaced the previous SIBIL network (there are currently 12 member libraries). On an international level, it has signed a co-operation agreement with the IDS - Informationsverbund Deutschschweiz, and presently uses since mai 2000 the AACR2 - IDS cataloging standards.

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