

EURASLIC Country Report 2007 - Denmark

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Summary of recent changes and developments in the library and information services (e.g. staff, services, equipment, systems)

NERI - National Environmental Research Institute, Library – University of Aarhus

As of 1 January 2007 NERI has amalgamated with the Danish Institute of Agricultural Sciences, Aarhus School of Business, Danish University of Education and the **University of Aarhus**. The amalgamation is part of the Danish government's plan to integrate sectorial research institutes into the Danish universities and to create fewer, but larger universities. The amalgamation does not include plans to assemble the partners physically.

NERI's two librarians have because of the amalgamation recently been involved in an ongoing discussion on library matters - visions and expectations for the "new" university libraries - together with all the librarians at the "new" University of Aarhus.

The two librarians placed in each their own location are handling the library matters for all three NERI locations, such as subscriptions/electronic licences (journals/databases), database updating, maintaining the library home page, database/information retrieval teaching, validation of the decentralised registrations in NERI's publication database (covering e.g. scientific papers, advisory publications, posters, oral presentations of the NERI researchers), bibliometric reports etc.

DIFRES - Danish Institute for Fisheries Research, Library - Technical University of Denmark. Søren Tørper Christensen and Carina Anderberg

In October 2006 the Danish government decided to establish fewer and stronger universities and at the same time merge the universities with government research institutions. As a consequence of this decision, the **Technical University of Denmark** has by 1 January 2007 been merged with Risø National Laboratory, the Danish Institute for Food and Veterinary Research (now The National Food Institute and The National Veterinary Institute), the Danish Institute for Fisheries Research, the Danish National Space Center and the Danish Transport Research Institute.

At its meeting on 3 January 2007, the Board of Governors decided that the name of the university continues to be the Technical University of Denmark with DTU as corporate brand.

The Danish Institute for Fisheries Research continues as a Department at the University.

The consequences of the merger will be investigated during 2007.

North Sea Centre Library. Kurt Prentow

The library continues its services for the research staff of the North Sea Centre (including researchers of DIFRES) - in close cooperation with other Danish "aquatic" libraries. In addition to traditional library work, the library also carries out consultancy work for both private companies and public institutions in the fields of information surveillance, information dissemination, and library development.

Details of national regional aquatic library and information networks within the country

The aquatic libraries still cooperate - more or less - because of the willingness to handle requests ASAP.

