



Professional Development for Librarians in Turkey

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History of Turkish Librarianship

- In the early 20th century, three university students was sent to abroad by the goverment.
- Starting the first cataloging and classification courses,
- Organization of Istanbul University Library,
- Opening of Librarianship course in 1935.
- Starting the first continuous course in 1941.



Librarianship Department at the Universities

- 1954- Librarianship was accepted as a profession,
- 1954- Ankara University.
- 1964- Istanbul University.
- 1972- Hacettepe University.
- 2003- Baskent University.



Associations

- Turkish Librarians' Association (TKD)
- University and Research Libraries' Association (UNAK)



Turkish Librarians' Association (TKD)

- Formed in 1949.
- Aim: To promote the professional standards and services of library and information centers. ,
- Strives to protect members benefit,
- Makes scientific studies and publishes materials,
- Organizes the National Library Week,
- Brings librarians together and share their ideas.



University and Research Libraries' Association (UNAK)

- Founded in 1991.
- Supports the continuing seminars, conferences, and panels,
- Sharing the new developments,



Consortiums and International Projects

- Anatolian University Library Consortium (ANKOS)
- Public Libraries, Museums and Archives Network-
Public Libraries Mobilizing Advanced Network Project
(PULMAN)

Anatolian University Library Consortium (ANKOS)



- Formed by 11 university libraries in 2000.
- 78 university libraries in 2003
- Joined to ICOLC (2000), e- SPARC(2002), SELL
- New horizons for accessing to the electronic information resources,
- Providing new electronic products,
- Offers license agreements and organizes trials for new databases and electronic journals.

Public Libraries, Museums and Archives Network-Public Libraries Mobilizing Advanced Network Project (PULMAN)

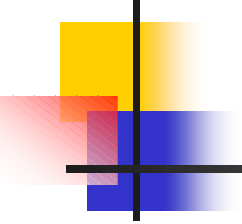


- An international cooperative project,
- Increasing cooperative efforts among public libraries, museums and archives
- Strengthening and supporting developments,
- December 2001, Turkey joined the Project,
- Three public libraries are considered as pilot project valuated as models for automation transition.



Koç University Suna Kiraç Library

- Founded in 1993.
- Library has 2 branches: Technical Services and User Services
- 28 permanent staff: 20 professionals, 8 paraprofessionals
- 148,500 books, video cassettes, audiocassettes, slides, DVDs
- 20,000 e-books
- 22 online databases
- 8,000 e-journals

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