



German-Dutch dialogue on the future of libraries

Central Services for Public Libraries

The Library Association Schleswig-Holstein and its service center for public libraries (BZSH)

Der Büchereiverein Schleswig-Holstein und seine Büchereizentrale

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Schleswig-Holstein



- The northernmost state of Germany
- 2,9 Mio. inhabitants
- 11 districts, 1146 cities and villages
- Capitol: Kiel, other popular cities: Lübeck and Flensburg
- Only 5 cities with more than 50.000 inhabitants





Büchereizentrale Schleswig-Holstein





- Service provider for public libraries in cities and villages
- Located in Flensburg and Rendsburg
- Ca. 90 employees, the largest "Fachstelle" in Germany
- 150 public libraries organized in the Library Association SH
- The Danish minority has its own powerful library system in the nothern part of SH





The Library Association Schleswig-Holstein and its service center for public libraries (BZSH) - current and future tasks

Media: central services

Collection management

Media processing

Budget control

Regional union catalogue

Central library for all public libraries

Regional inter-library loan & delivery services

Consulting & quality assurance

Contracts with local authority districts

Certification

Contracts depending on quality levels

Consulting

- •Conception, strategy development, LMS
- •Interior equipment

Further education

Financial support

Personnel costs

Acquisitions budget

Project funding

Project coordination & development

Overview of funding programs

The BZSH as a "brand essence" of the public library system

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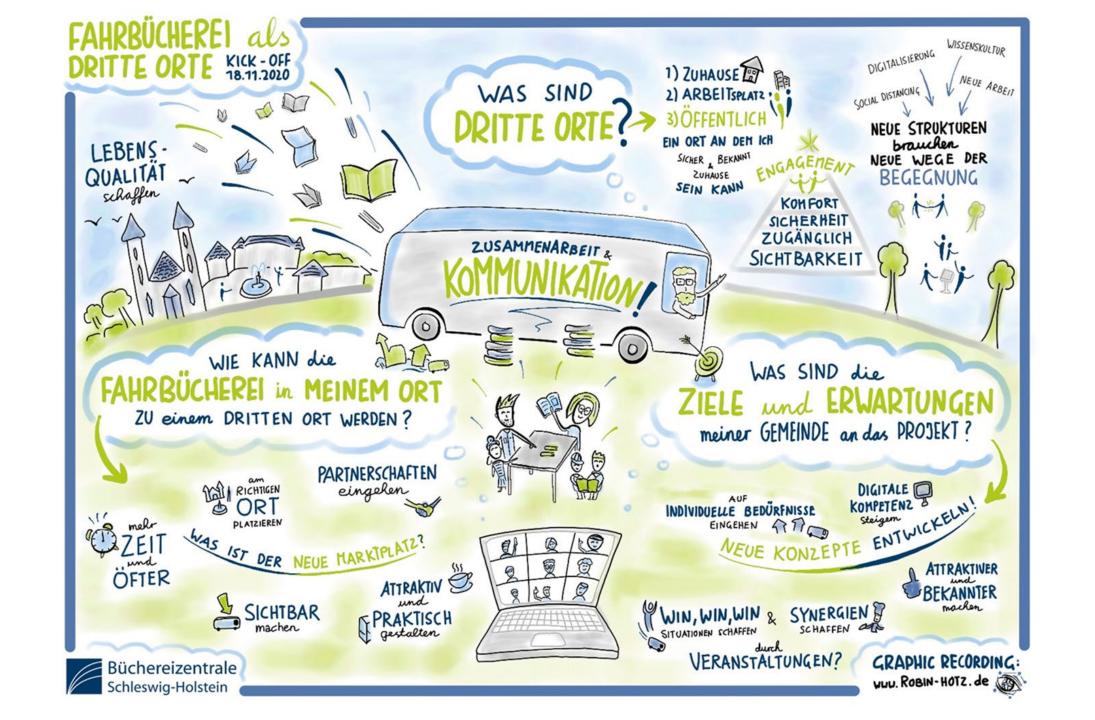




And what about the corona-pandemic?

Challenges:

- How can we merge digital and analog library services and avoid that digital formats are rated as an add-on?
- The Büchereizentrale and the libraries have to develop digital/analog strategies for their services
- How do we define the third place for all after the pandemic?
- Mobile libraries as rolling "third places for all"







Thank you for your participation!

Any questions for Sander or Oke?





Thank you for your participation!

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The speakers' presentations and chat discussion will be forwarded to you.

More online-seminars within the German-Dutch dialogue on the future of libraries coming up; next event:

May 17,2021 at 11 am (CET) Agile working in Libraries

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