Advancing Digital Empowerment
of Libraries in Europe

Case studies template
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Introduction

This document provides the template for the development of the Case Studies on digital transformation in libraries.

The ADELE project aims to contribute to the internationalisation of organisations that choose a path of digital transformation. Through the network they can connect, collaborate, compare, and exchange ideas with organisations across Europe and beyond.

The 100 case studies are aimed at initiating the digital transformation of libraries and inspiring libraries that want to improve their performance on certain areas of the tool.

The areas of the ADELE tool cover the use of digital technologies in libraries from different perspectives: management, infrastructure and equipment but also lifelong learning, users training opportunities and community and stakeholders involvement.

The case studies may be linked to an activity, a service, a new professional profile, an initiative, a place or a library infrastructure in line with the areas and the statements of the ADELE tool. We aim to create a database of good practices to foster innovation and the adoption of digital practices in the library.

Library presenting the case study (Name, city, website and contact details)	Education and Research Library of Pilsener Region Pilsen Website: https://svkpk.cz/en/ General email: svk@svkpk.cz Contact email: kobes.tomas@svkpk.cz
Title of the case study	Cross-Border Cooperation of Regional Libraries Pilsen-Regensburg – Catalogue Linking
Area of ADELE tool illustrated by the case study *Please underline the selected area*	□ Management x Infrastructure, Equipment and Support □ Continuing Professional Development □ Self-reflection on digital competences □ Learning opportunities on digital competences for users □ Collaboration, Networking, and Community
Description of the experience: aim, methods and outcomes	Despite the shared border and common history between West Bohemia and Upper Palatinate regions, no common database existed to enable the connection between the Education and Research Library of Pilsener Region and State Library Regensburg concerning a potentially shared topic. This project aimed to address this gap, which was achieved at three fundamental levels: 1. Access to collections related to the Upper Palatinate and Western Bohemian regions; 2. Catalog linking of participating libraries; 3. Involvement of other relevant educational and GLAM (Galleries, Libraries, Archives, and Museums) institutions. The project's main output is a linked catalog that enables systematic searching on specific topics, including digitized historical materials.
Resources needed to implement the idea Please, provide any link and/or send them in attachment	● Library staff (especially IT workers, and workers in Digitalization Center) ● Research materials for possible digitization
Target groups	Library users, students and scientific researchers
Elements of innovation	The project was only partially innovative. It was based on the experience of Saxon-Czech university libraries and SLUBsemantics in Dresden and aimed to apply it to the linking of the Education and Research Library of Pilsener Region and State Library Regensburg.
Tips to other library staff using this idea	● Consult all technical aspects of the project in detail with IT experts before submitting the project. ● Familiarize yourself with the logic of establishing and organizing libraries in each region before submitting the project. The Education and Research Library of Pilsener Region is an autonomous library, while State Library Regensburg is a centrally organized library in Munich. All technical implementations could not be consulted with the

	partner library but with the central office in Munich.
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References	https://eus-portal-dev.k8s.svkpk.cz/search