



Ligue des Bibliothèques Européennes de Recherche  
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## LIBER ADVOCACY AND LOBBYING STRATEGY

Over the past few months the LIBER President has been leading work on the development of an Advocacy and Lobbying Strategy for LIBER.

Through our Executive Board, Steering Committees and the LIBER Office, we are regularly in contact with the European Commission and other European institutions to ensure that the priorities of research libraries remain high on the agenda. A fundamental part of this work is keeping LIBER Libraries informed of our activities and ensuring that we accurately promote matters that are important to them, making the most of the opportunities offered at EU and international level.

Because of increased EU activities that will have an impact on research libraries, there is a clear need for LIBER to develop its own Advocacy and Lobbying Strategy. The first step in the development of the Strategy has been the establishment of the LIBER Advocacy Group.

The LIBER Advocacy Group will be responsible for drafting the Advocacy and Lobbying Strategy. The Group will comprise the President, Vice-President, Steering Committee Chairs, Executive Director and current Adviser to the Executive Board. The Executive Board will be responsible for approving the Strategy, which will be updated annually at the October LIBER Executive Board meeting.

The Strategy will outline LIBER's advocacy priorities in areas such as copyright, text and data mining, open access and Horizon2020 programmes and funding. A final version of the Strategy will be published on the LIBER website after the LIBER Executive Board meeting in October 2015, and will also be included in the November 2015 LIBER Mailing.

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