

Challenge: RECLAIMING THE FUTURE



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Our visions

How do we define the library of the future?

What better way than using the public to define it for us?

- Digital services may be the future, but you will always have the needs to meet other people
- We want the library to be an arena for partnerships and new surprising connections
- We want the library to be defined by the users needs, and to be an open, public space to meet, interact and create
- The library - connecting people !

The most important themes in the challenge

- The user driven library, where you can define your needs

The public can influence and define the form and the content of their library. The staff need to be open minded, bring in the users, and shape the library for the future, both physical and digital.

- Partnerships, new ways of cooperating
Using new connections to bring the non-users into the library. Use experts and partners not traditionally known to the library, and create new services. Also let the library be an arena for others.
- Connecting people, on their terms

The most important angle

- Connecting people!

In this digital desert we all have the urge to meet people, and we need to interact on various platforms.

To construct the idea

What do you think we should create? – activities/constructions?

- Social spaces
- A melting pot
- A place to be surprised
- Platforms for expressions

How do we do it? (what actions should we take to make it happen?)

- We connect people with new media and technology, and provide the services for this in both physical and digital spaces
- Connecting people with each other and the world

What difference does it make?

With whom do we do it? - partners and competencies?

- Let the whole society contribute and interact
- Cultural institutions
- Companies
- Organizations
- Educations systems
- Clubs
- Researchers and students
- THE USERS

What is the difference/result the activities will make – to the society and the citizens

- Strengthen democracy
- Create ownership to the library and services
- More active citizens
- Strengthen communities

How does the Network of Nordic Libraries build on the ideas from this camp?

We can develop new tools for the libraries, and new tools for the future. It's important that this is something we can work on later. We have this network where we can share our challenges and solutions.