New needs, new spaces

the example of ULg Life Sciences library

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**Life Sciences Library**

- open 6 days a week
- from 8.30 AM to 9.00 PM
  
  Exceptions:
  - Saturday: 9:00-18:00
  - Thursday: 10:00-21:00 (for a weekly team meeting)

- library’s staff: 16,15 full-time equivalents
  
  Distribution:
  - scientific librarian with a master degree (and PhD) in a discipline covered by the library
  - librarians
  - late openers (> 19.00)
Life Sciences Library: as it is today

- a great open space on one floor
  - with a lot of paper on shelves
  - ± 200 seats
  - 6 bookable collaborative spaces
  - 16 desktop computers
  - a training room (15 computers)
Observations and needs analysis

• more seats
• more collaborative spaces
  > 2500 booking/year
• a larger training room
• more individual study spaces
• more electrical outlets
Life Sciences Library: where we would go

Appropriate spaces

- that bring together print/electronic resources
- to encourage students’ learning
- to foster meetings between scientists: by providing a space where they can gather to discuss

- more seats
- a flexible space (possibility of moving the furniture)
- improve acoustic
- + electrical outlets

First: remove the shelves and paper

Life Sciences Library: where we would go

enlarge the training room
...some chill-out zones
with comfortable furniture

...to take a break &
browse the Relax 'n Read Leisure Reading Collection

... nothing revolutionary...

...a place to meet,
exchange
and study

an opportunity to better connect library skills & resources

thank you!