



CENTRAL LIBRARY

2017

Empowering Helsinki City Residents

- the importance of libraries in everyday life

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Republic of Finland



- Capital: Helsinki (app. 1 mill. people live in the Helsinki Metropolitan area)

- Population: 5,3 million

- Area: 338,145 km² of which 10% is water and over 70% covered with forest

- The maximum length is 1160 km and the maximum width is 540 km

- Neighbour of Sweden, Norway, Russia and the Baltic States

- Currency: Euro / EUR, €

- Language: Finnish 93%, Swedish 6%, Sami (about 1700 people)



The vision for Helsinki Region

The Helsinki Region is a dynamic world-class centre for business and innovation. Its high-quality services, arts and science, creativity and adaptability promote the prosperity of its citizens and bring benefits to all of Finland. The Metropolitan Area is being developed as a unified region close to nature where it is good to live, learn, work and do business

Educated and wired citizens

Education:

- 78 % of the population aged 25 to 64 have upper secondary or tertiary education
- 35 % have university or other tertiary qualifications (the highest percentage in the EU countries)

Wired:

- 87 % of Finnish households own a personal computer and 77 % broadband
- 99 % of households have cell phones of which 26 % are smartphones

The Ubiquitous Society

Connects everyone and everything.

Easy connection to networks "anytime, anywhere, by anything and anyone". A society where ICT will be everywhere in daily life and can easily be used.

Person to Person plus Person to Goods, and Goods to Goods. In every aspect, communication will play an even more important role.

Creation of vitality of the individual, vitalize the society.

Based on users' viewpoints.

Close to the user.

Users can be suppliers too, "prosumers".

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Popular this week in Finland

Popular this week in Finland

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Library



What is the new library?

If this is the new library accessible everywhere, why would you need the traditional library?



Helsinki City Library 2010

588 600 inhabitants

36 libraries

1,9 million library items

9,2 million loans

15,6 loans / inhabitant

6,4 million physical visits

11 visits / inhabitant

6,8 million virtual visits

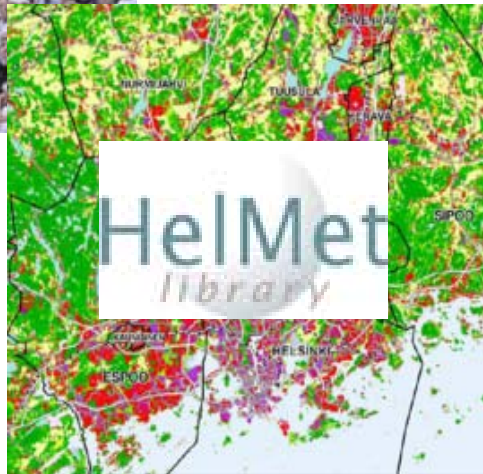
Budget 35 million €, 61 €/inhabitant



Helsinki City Library is...



The Home Library for Citizens in Helsinki

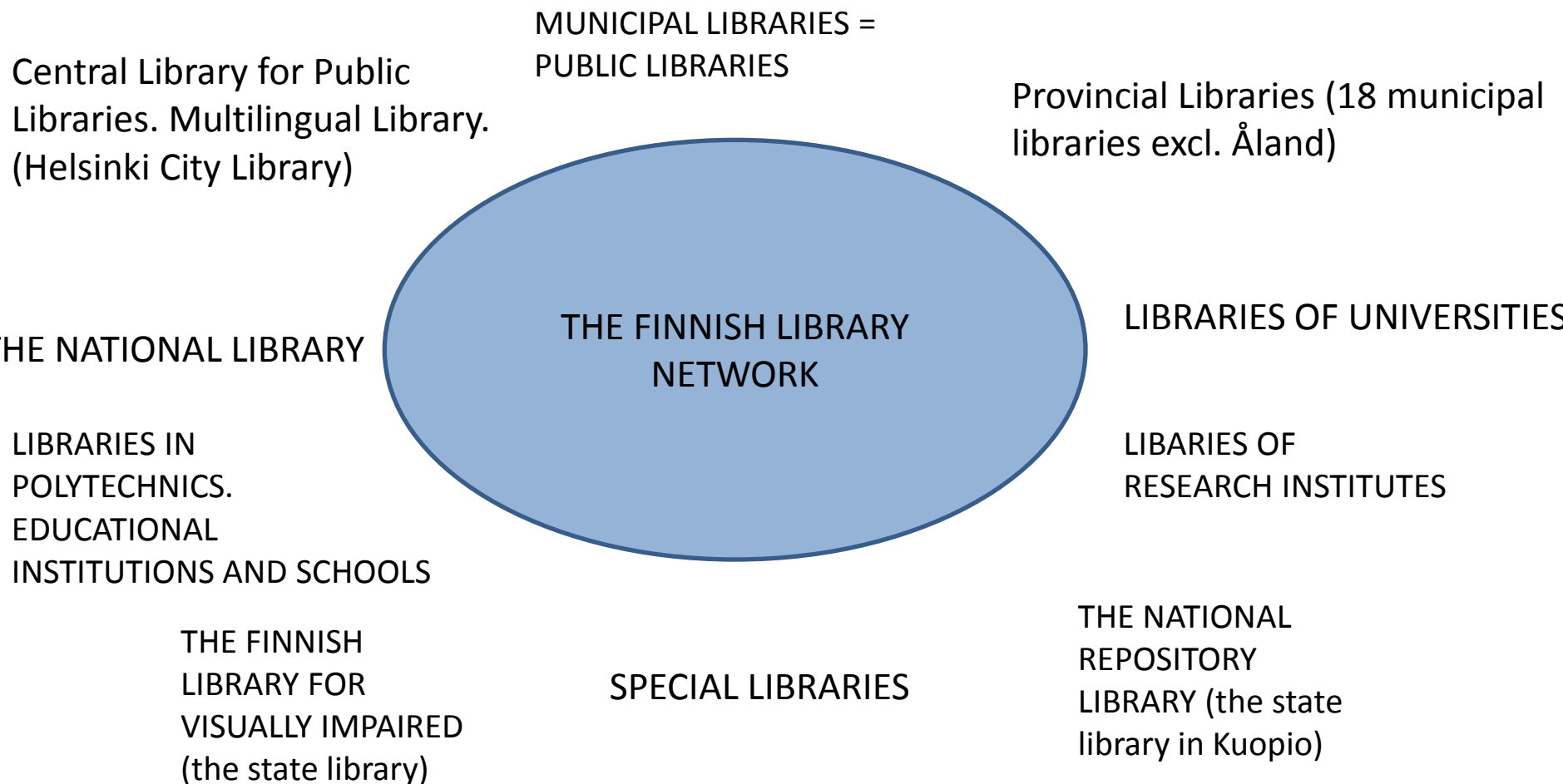


HelMet-library
(Helsinki Metropolitan Area: Helsinki,
Espoo, Vantaa, Kauniainen,
1 million people)



- A Central Library for Public Libraries
- Multilingual Library
- Libraries.fi

THE FINNISH LIBRARY NETWORK



The National Digital Library of Finland

The priorities of the project are:

- The creation of a joint public interface for the materials and services of libraries, archives and museums
- The digitisation of key materials of libraries, archives and museums, making them available through the public interface
- The development of a long-term preservation (LTP) solution for digital cultural heritage materials
- Competence development

Ask anything

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information Gas Station

- How to dispose a household Lpg-canister in Helsinki?
- Did Harry Potter become an Aurore?
- Wild Revolution in 1969
- I would like to buy an electric dryer for drying fruit.
- What types of nuclear reactors are to be built in Finland?

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Sinikka Sipilä

IFLA President-Elect 2011-2013



Kirjastokaista.fi

Watch and listen to library related multimedia

LABS.

Labs

Labs is inventing the future of the public library. The project is about building web prototypes and discovering concepts

Statistics

Finnish Public Libraries Statistics

Database. The Ministry of Education and Culture is responsible for the data

Notices

The National Library of Finland Bulletin 2011 (11/08/2011)
In the National Library of Finland Bulletin 2011...

Kirjastokaista at IFLA 2011 (09/08/2011)
Kirjastokaista.fi, Finnish library TV, is...

Intervall - a publication from the Finnish music library association (29/06/2011)
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IFLA Today by Kirjastokaista.fi Library TV:



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Current and News

Helsinki city libraries back to normal opening hours
From Monday August, 15th onwards the libraries will change back to normal autumn opening hours...



- 13.08. Green Library advocates ecological values
- 10.08. A WOW experience at Skidit children's festival
- 03.08. The vibrant Käpylä Library has reopened after renovations
- 04.07. Library Annual Report 2010 released

More news

Bookster's news



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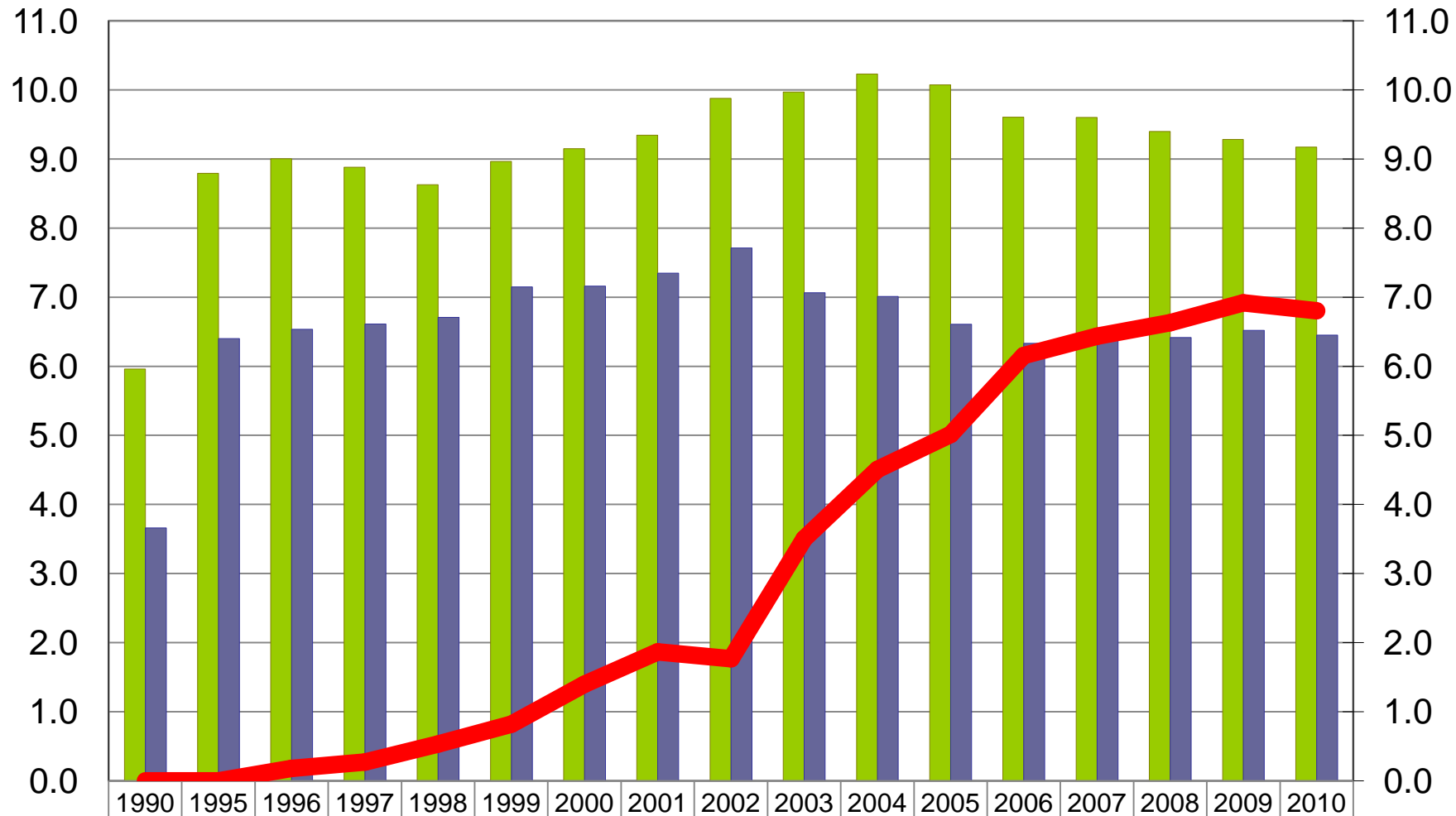
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Helsinki City Library

Loans, Visits, and Web Visits (millions)

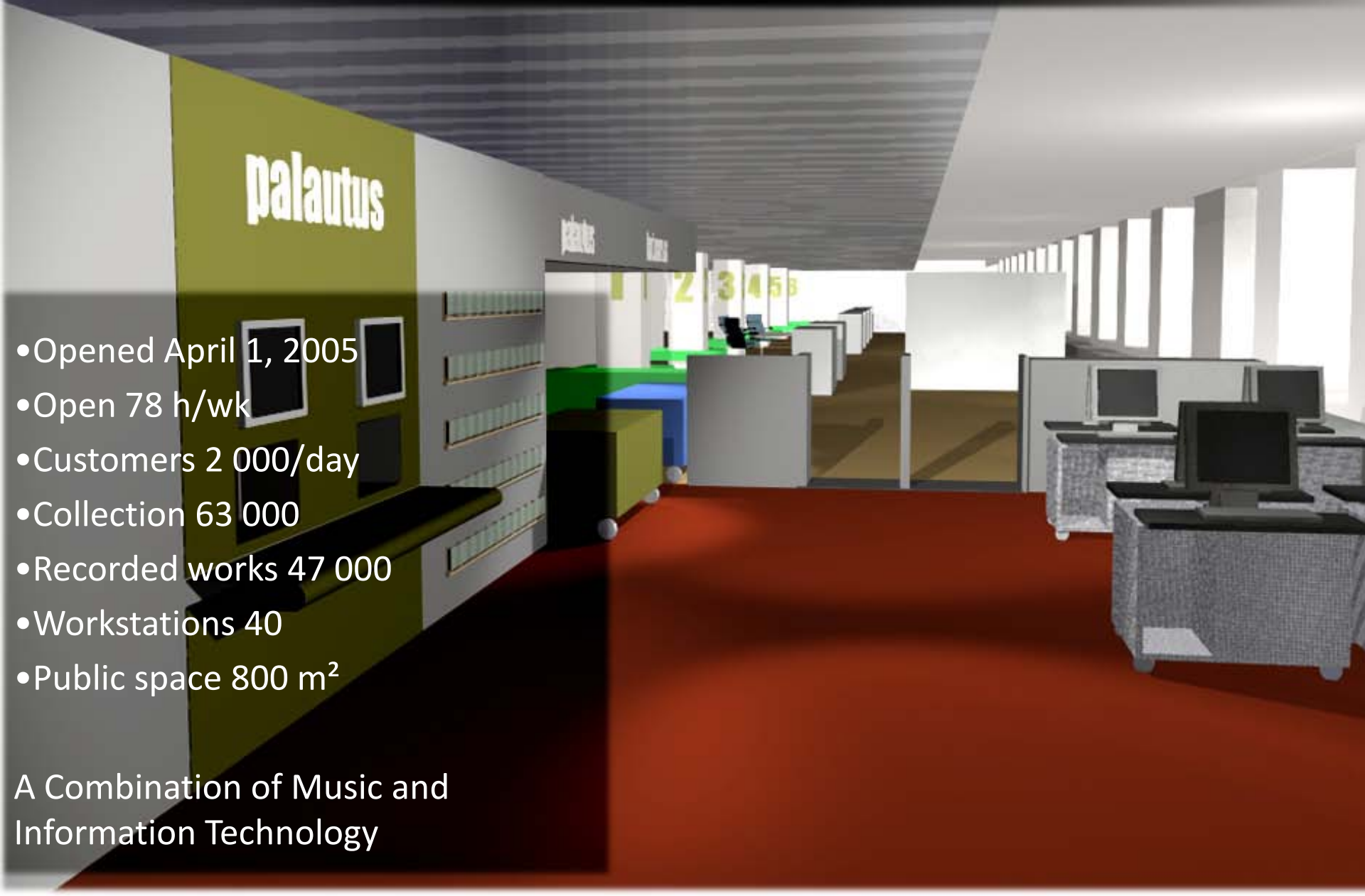


Loans	6.0	8.8	9.0	8.9	8.6	9.0	9.2	9.3	9.9	10.0	10.2	10.1	9.6	9.6	9.4	9.3	9.2
Visits	3.7	6.4	6.5	6.6	6.7	7.1	7.2	7.3	7.7	7.1	7.0	6.6	6.3	6.4	6.4	6.5	6.4
Web Visits	0.0	0.0	0.2	0.3	0.5	0.8	1.4	1.9	1.8	3.5	4.5	5.0	6.2	6.4	6.6	6.9	6.8

Library 10 in a nutshell

- Opened April 1, 2005
- Open 78 h/wk
- Customers 2 000/day
- Collection 63 000
- Recorded works 47 000
- Workstations 40
- Public space 800 m²

A Combination of Music and
Information Technology



Urban Office in Meetingpoint open for all

Modern equipment, free work and business negotiation place

Skype calls, scanners, headsets, printing, WLAN-N wireless, web cams for loan, chargers



Meetingpoint in a nutshell

- Guidance for electronic services and communication
- Co-operative with public and private sectors
- Urban Office
- Laptop services for seniors

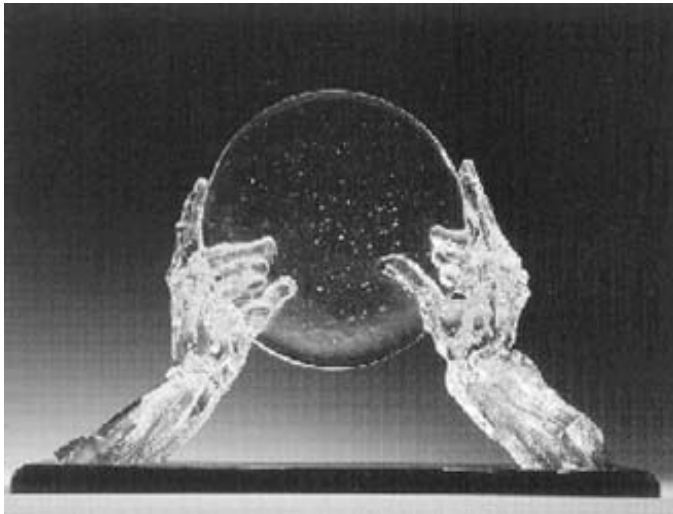


Helsinki City Library Vision 2005 -



The boundless library –
a source of
enlightenment
and
inspiration
throughout your life.

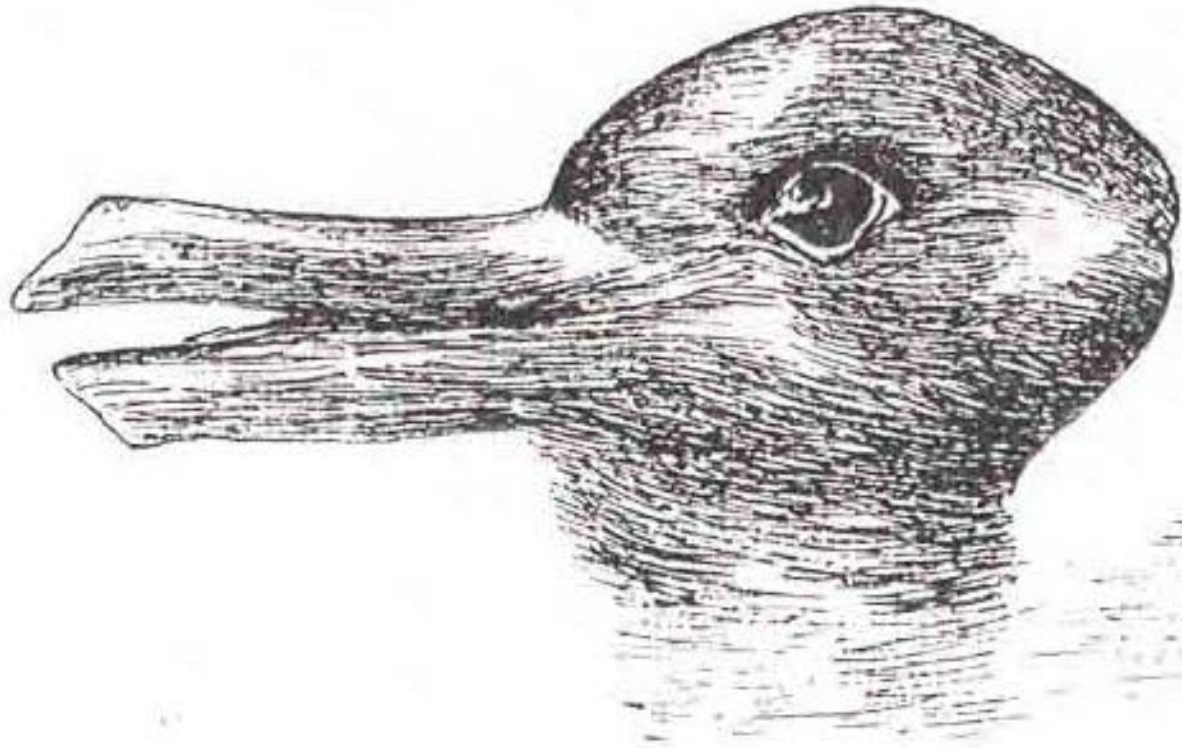
The Access To Learning Award 2000



" Libraries are the intellectual infrastructure of a country. They are as important as a city's physical infrastructure and deserve as much investment as our roads and bridges. We applaud Helsinki City Library for its commitment and investment, and see it as a model for other countries seeking to make libraries and public access to digital information a priority"

Patty Stonesifer, Co-chair and President of the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation

Paradigm shift



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The New Central Library in Helsinki - Facts

A hub of knowledge, skills and stories

- 5,000 visitors a day
- 1.5 million visitors a year
- Extensive selection of items to borrow
- Events and guidance
- 10,000 m² of the library of the future
- Open public space, free for all
- Open 24/7 – part of it
- Every day something new
- Construction cost about 69,9 million Euros



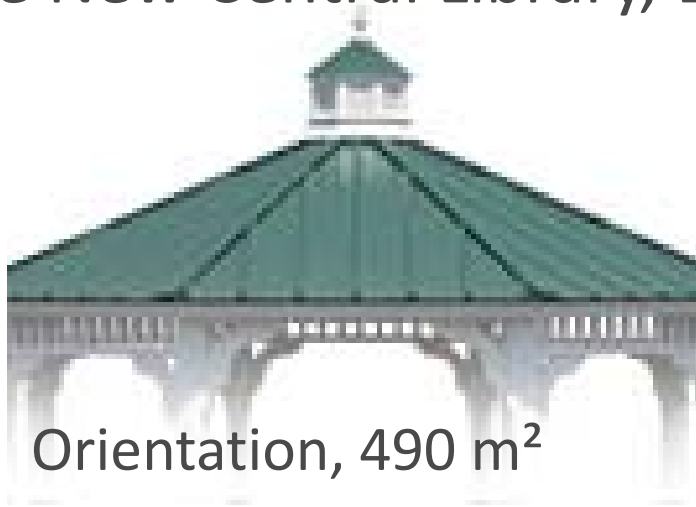


The Central Library – developing the city center
for citizens and for those who visit Helsinki

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The New Central Library, 10 000 m²



Orientation, 490 m²

Service point for circulation, 440 m²

Events, 1740 m²

Meeting, 1050 m²

Learning, 2100 m²

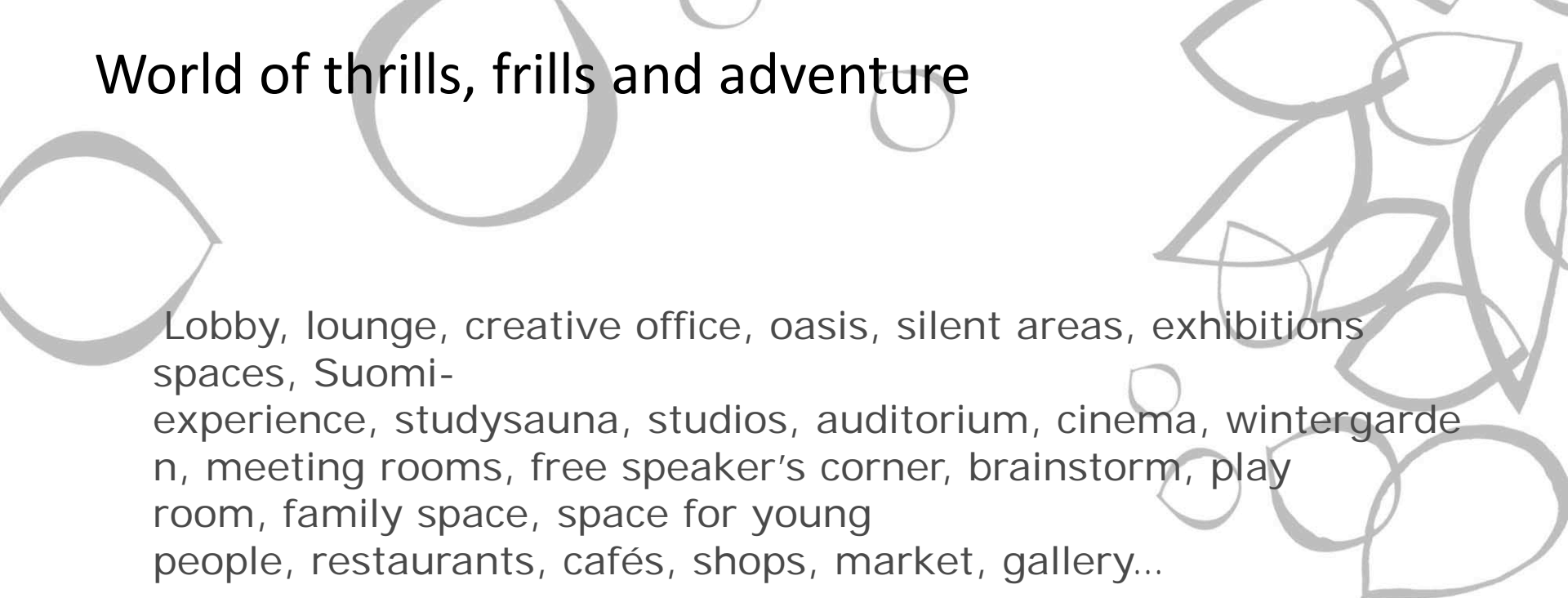
Doing, 2200 m²

Staff, 1360 m²

Maintenance, 620 m²

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The background features a collection of stylized, hand-drawn shapes in a light gray color. On the left side, there are several large, overlapping circles and loops, resembling bubbles or abstract leaves. On the right side, there is a more dense cluster of smaller, teardrop-shaped and leaf-like outlines, some of which are nested within each other. The overall aesthetic is clean, modern, and organic.

World of thrills, frills and adventure

Lobby, lounge, creative office, oasis, silent areas, exhibitions spaces, Suomi-experience, studysauna, studios, auditorium, cinema, wintergarden, meeting rooms, free speaker's corner, brainstorm, play room, family space, space for young people, restaurants, cafés, shops, market, gallery...

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Central Library project

Showing the way from classics to to the digital universe

New information search, participation and knowledge creation practices

Development of new information aggregation business models

Management process, outsourcing to be designed

Incubating the knowledge creating information society

New funding models: public-private partnerships

Multiscientific and multicultural laboratory of change

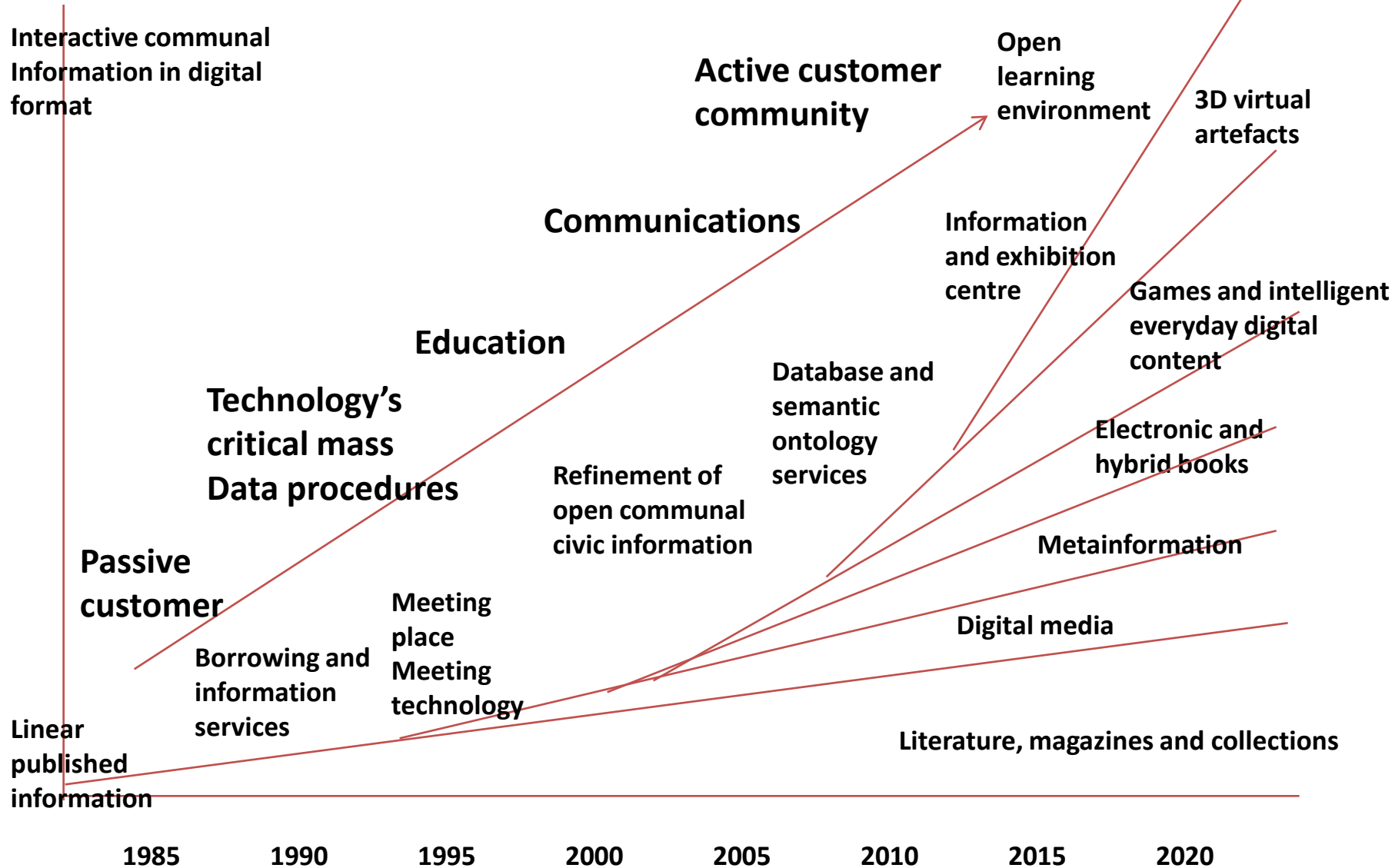
Open learning living lab in the center of the metropolitan area



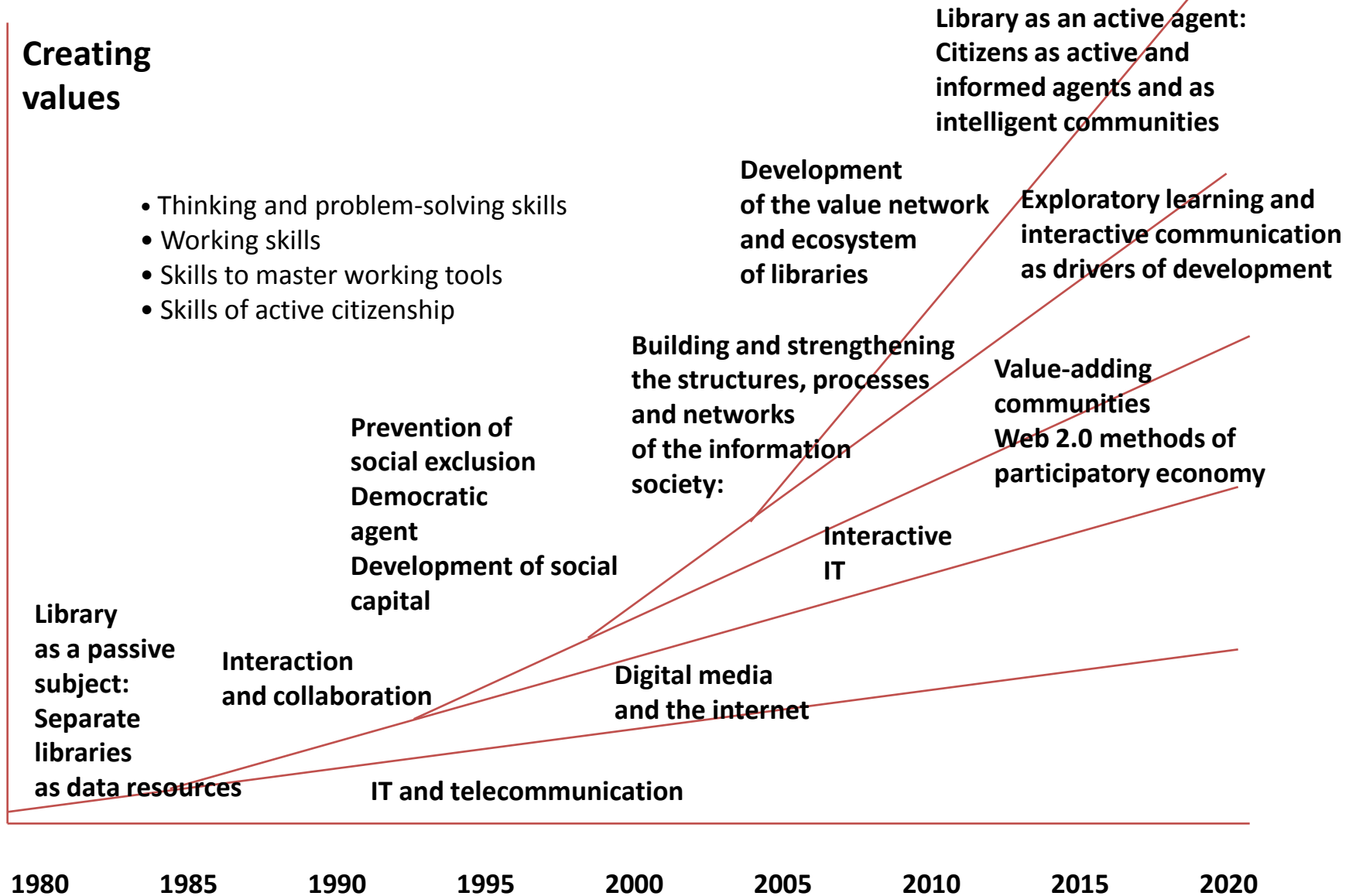
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Drivers of library development



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The strength of the library

Customer is the “doer”

Service is based on the customer’s needs

Creative milieu for everyone

Every “performance” is unique and individual

Personal guidance face to face



"Fantasy is more important than knowledge".

*"Logic will take you from A to B
but imagination takes you
anywhere".*



Albert Einstein, 1879-1955

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