ILL News from Finland

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Recent activities

2001 Proposal on ILL in Finland
2003 Library strategy 2010
2004 Study on ILL charges by Ministry of Education
2005 Study on ILL by Linnea2 Consortium
2005 Assessment of the NRL
2005 Proposal to the Min of Edu on ILL study
2006 Linnea2 decided to search for a suitable ILL system
2007 Procurement process
2008 Relais chosen, detailed negotiations
2009 Contract signed
2010 Pilots started
Examples of services studied

• Direct requesting
• Direct delivery
• Transportation systems
• Joint library card
• Question of ILL charges
• NRL as a national resource sharing center
Development of ILL requests 1985-2009

- University libraries, total
- National repository library

Graph showing the development of ILL requests from 1985 to 2009.
ILL of some University Libraries 1985-2009

Received orders (pc)

TKK
TYK
TaYK
OYK
JYK
Terkko
HKKK

Aalto University Library

Aalto-ylfiopisto Kirjasto
Aalto-universitetet Biblioteket
Received requests, 2009 level from the peak, %
TKK requests 1985 - 2009
Percentage of requests, 1988 = 100

- Loans
- Copies
- Forw and ret
- All univ libr
Relative percentage of request types 1985-2010

- Loans
- Copies
- R and F
Common reasons for the downfall (University library view)

- Recession of the 1990’s
- Introduction of ILL charges 1993
- Internet: library catalogues available in the net
- Electronic journals
- National Repository Library
- Subito and other international services
- Information overflow
- Libraries serve researchers "too well"
Conclusions

• "Winners"
  – Small university libraries
  – Strong local universities
  – Terkko although recently it has followed the general pattern

• "Losers"
  – Universities serving industry and commerce
Thank you!

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