

Programme at a Glance

The venue for the LIBER Annual Conference 2026 is the Natural Sciences Building (Realfagbygget) on the "Gløshaugen" campus, NTNU (Street address: [Høgskoleringen 5](#), 7034 Trondheim, Norway)

All rooms for the conference will be held mainly on ground floor U1, and U2.

Pre-Conference Programme

Sunday, 28 June 2026

Emerging Leaders Programme Seminar* - Location: Natural Sciences Building ([Realfagbygget](#)) - NTNU

**By invitation only*

Monday, 29 June 2026

Emerging Leaders Programme Seminar* - Location: Natural Sciences Building ([Realfagbygget](#)) - NTNU

LIBER Executive Board Meeting* - Location: Natural Sciences Building ([Realfagbygget](#)) D1-185

**By invitation only.*

Tuesday, 30 June 2026

Emerging Leaders Programme Seminar* - Location: Natural Sciences Building ([Realfagbygget](#)) - NTNU

LIBER Executive Board Meeting* - Location: Natural Sciences Building ([Realfagbygget](#)) D1-185

Side Meetings* - Location: Natural Sciences Building ([Realfagbygget](#)) - NTNU

Leadership Programmes Alumni Drinks*

(Participants from the Emerging Leaders Programme, Middle Management Training, and Journées)

**By invitation only. See full programme for details*

Conference Programme

Wednesday, 1 July 2026

08:00 – 18:00

Registration

Location: Natural Sciences Building ([Realfagbygget](#)) - Main Entrance U1

09:00 – 09:30

Opening Ceremony - Location: R1

09:30 – 10:30

Opening Keynote Speech - Location: R1

Kenneth Ruud, Director General, Norwegian Defence Research Establishment (FFI)

10:30 – 10:40

Conference Picture - Location: R1

10:30 – 18:00

Professional & Poster Exhibition - Location: Professional & Poster Exhibition Area

10:40 – 11:00

Coffee Break - Location: Professional & Poster Exhibition Area

11:00 – 12:30

Parallel Sessions

Session 1: Practising Openness I – R2

Session 2: AI and Library Service Development I – R7

Session 3: Advances in Information Systems – R8

Session 4: Trustworthy Automation – R5

Session 5: Research Libraries in Challenging Landscapes – R9

12:30 – 13:30

Lunch - Location: Cafeteria 1st floor

13:00 – 13:30	Newcomer Session - Location: R5
13:30 – 15:00	LIBER Strategy Development - Location: R2
15:00 – 15:30	Poster Session - Location: R2
15:30 – 16:00	Posters & Coffee Break - Location: Professional & Poster Exhibition Area
16:00 – 17:00	Panel Session I - Who Leads Next? A European Conversation on Succession Planning in Academic Libraries Location: R2
16:00 – 18:00	<p><u>Workshops</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Workshop 1.1 Resilient Libraries: Safety, Ethics and Service Provision in an Uncertain World - R93 • Workshop 1.2 Integrating Citizen Science in your Library in Times of Democratic Challenges - R23 • Workshop 1.3 FAIR and Secure: Data Management under EU Sovereignty and Security Rules - R22 • Workshop 1.4 LIBERating Metadata Flows to Improve Findability of European Open Textbooks and Exploring Tools to Improve Advocacy and Adoption - R91 • Workshop 1.5 Taking Agency in an Uncertain World: Developing a Cyber-Resilience Toolkit for Research Libraries - R90 • Workshop 1.6 Alternative Paths Towards the Future of Open Access - Developments for and by Libraries - R92
17:00 – 18:00	Networking Power Session I - Location: Professional & Poster Exhibition Area
18:20 – 21:00	Organ Concert & Conference Reception* Location: Nidaros Cathedral (Nidarosdomen) & Student Society (Studentersamfundet) *See " Social Events " for details

Thursday, 2 July 2026	
07:00 – 07:30	Social Activity: How to Run Libraries - 5K Morning Social Run Location: TBD
08:00 – 18:00	Registration Location: Natural Sciences Building (Realfagbygget) - Main Entrance U1
08:00 – 18:00	Professional & Poster Exhibition - Location: Professional & Poster Exhibition Area
09:00 – 10:30	Parallel Sessions Session 6: Practising Openness II – R2 Session 7: Responsible Research Data Management I – R5 Session 8: AI and Collection Development – R8 Session 9: Leadership for Sustainability – R9 Session 10: AI and Library Service Development II – R7
10:30 – 11:00	Coffee Break - Location: Professional & Poster Exhibition Area
11:00 – 11:30	LIBER Spotlight Session - Location: R1
11:30 – 12:30	Keynote Speech – Location: R1 Patrick Weil , Historian, Founder and Chairman of Libraries Without Borders/Bibliothèques Sans Frontières
12:30 – 13:30	Lunch - Location: Cafeteria 1 st floor
12:30 – 13:30	CPC Meeting* - Location: D1-185 *By invitation only
12:30 – 13:30	Side Meetings* - Location: Natural Sciences Building (Realfagbygget) *By invitation only
13:00 – 13:30	Sponsor Update: EBSCO - Location: R5
13:30 – 14:30	Meeting of Participants (Annual General Meeting of LIBER) - Location: R1
14:30 – 15:00	LIBER Awards Session - Location: R1 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> LIBER Award for Library Innovation & Poster Award - supported by OCLC
15:00 – 15:30	Sponsor Update: Frontiers - Location: R1
15:30 – 16:00	Coffee Break - Location: Professional & Poster Exhibition Area
16:00 – 17:00	Panel Session II - Giving Knowledge and Truth Visibility and a Place in Society: Case Studies in Civic Engagement Leadership Location: R5
16:00 – 18:00	Workshops <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Workshop 2.1 Using the OpenAlex API to Explore Metadata for 250M+ Research Publications – R90 Workshop 2.2 Imagining and Co-creating LIBER’s AI Futures: A World Café for Futures Thinking and Strategic Priorities – R22 Workshop 2.3 Sustainable Leadership in an Uncertain World – R91 Workshop 2.4 Generative Humans: Mediating Automation & AI Through Impactful Engagement and Experience with Cultural Collections – R92 Workshop 2.5 Libraries Leading Equitable Scholarly Publishing: Implementing the Diamond Open Access Standard – R23 Workshop 2.6 The Editor in the Age of Generative AI: Past, Present, and Possible Futures – R93
17:00 – 18:00	Networking Power Session II - Location: Professional & Poster Exhibition Area
19:00 – 21:00	Conference Dinner* - Location: Rockheim *See “ Social Events ” for details

Friday, 3 July 2026

08:00 – 13:00	Registration Location: Natural Sciences Building (Realfagbygget) - Main Entrance U1
08:00 – 14:30	Professional & Poster Exhibition - Location: Professional & Poster Exhibition Area
08:30 – 08:45	Social Activity: Standing Yoga Flow Location: TBD
09:00 – 10:30	LIBER Executive Board Meeting* - Location: D1-185 *By invitation only
09:00 – 10:30	Parallel Sessions Session 11: Leadership for the Future – R8 Session 12: Responsible Research Data Management II – R5 Session 13: Opening Research Information – R2 Session 14: Shifts in Research Assessment – R7 Session 15: Human Interfaces with Technology – R9
10:30 – 11:00	Coffee Break - Location: Professional & Poster Exhibition Area
11:00 – 12:00	National Insights: Norway - Location: R1
12:00 – 13:00	Keynote Speech – Location: R1 <u>Jemimah Steinfeld</u> , CEO, Index on Censorship
13:00 – 13:30	Conference Closing Ceremony - Location: R1
13:30 – 14:30	Lunch - Location: Cafeteria 1 st floor
15:00	Social Programme: Guided Library visits (Optional)* *See " Social Events " for details

Saturday, 4 July 2026

10:00 – 13:30	Social Programme: Sverresborg Folk Museum (Optional)* *See " Social Events " for details
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