The German Council of Sciences and Humanities (WR) recommended the future reorganization of library union catalogues in Germany. In October 2012, the German Research Council (DFG) launched a funding programme for such reorganization of information services to encourage redesign of existing infrastructures.

The Cloud-based Infrastructure for Library Data (CIB) aims to reform the traditional division of work between Integrated Library Systems (ILS) and regional network catalogues. This will result in an extensive relocation of catalogues onto cloud-based platforms. The goals of the project aim at transferring library workflows and services to cloud environments. Also under consideration is the very ambitious aim of synchronizing participating catalogue platforms to establish a unified German data space.

Key working areas of CIB

- International orientated environment
- International cataloguing rules
- Synchronization
- German data environment
- Local system as a service
- Solutions for inter-library loan, German Union Catalogue of Serials (ZDB) and Integrated Authority File (GND)
- Applications developed by the producer
- Data protection, data security and data sovereignty

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