TRAINING CATALOGUERS: RIGHT PATH TO A SUCCESSFUL CATALOGUING IN ACADEMIC LIBRARIES

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ABSTRACT

Cataloguing of information resources in academic libraries is a serious task carried out by the cataloguers. And today, the older cataloguers are aging and leaving the cataloging work for their younger colleagues coupled with the change in libraries moving from analog to digital; thereby opening up new principles and rules for cataloguing of information materials. This paper proposes regular training of cataloguers in academic libraries as the right way to a successful cataloguing, the paper discussed about the concept of training and what the cataloguers and their libraries stand to gain if trained. It also defines who a catalogue is. The paper concludes that cataloging of information resources in academic libraries be handled with utmost carefulness and this can be achieved through regular trainings. The recommendations drawn also support trainings, mentoring and motivating the cataloguers with conference sponsorship.

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