



Deutscher Bundestag

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Opening hours

In weeks when Bundestag is sitting:
Monday to Thursday 9.00 am to 8.00 pm
Friday 9.00 am to 4.00 pm

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Monday to Thursday 9.00 am to 5.00 pm
Friday 9.00 am to 4.00 pm

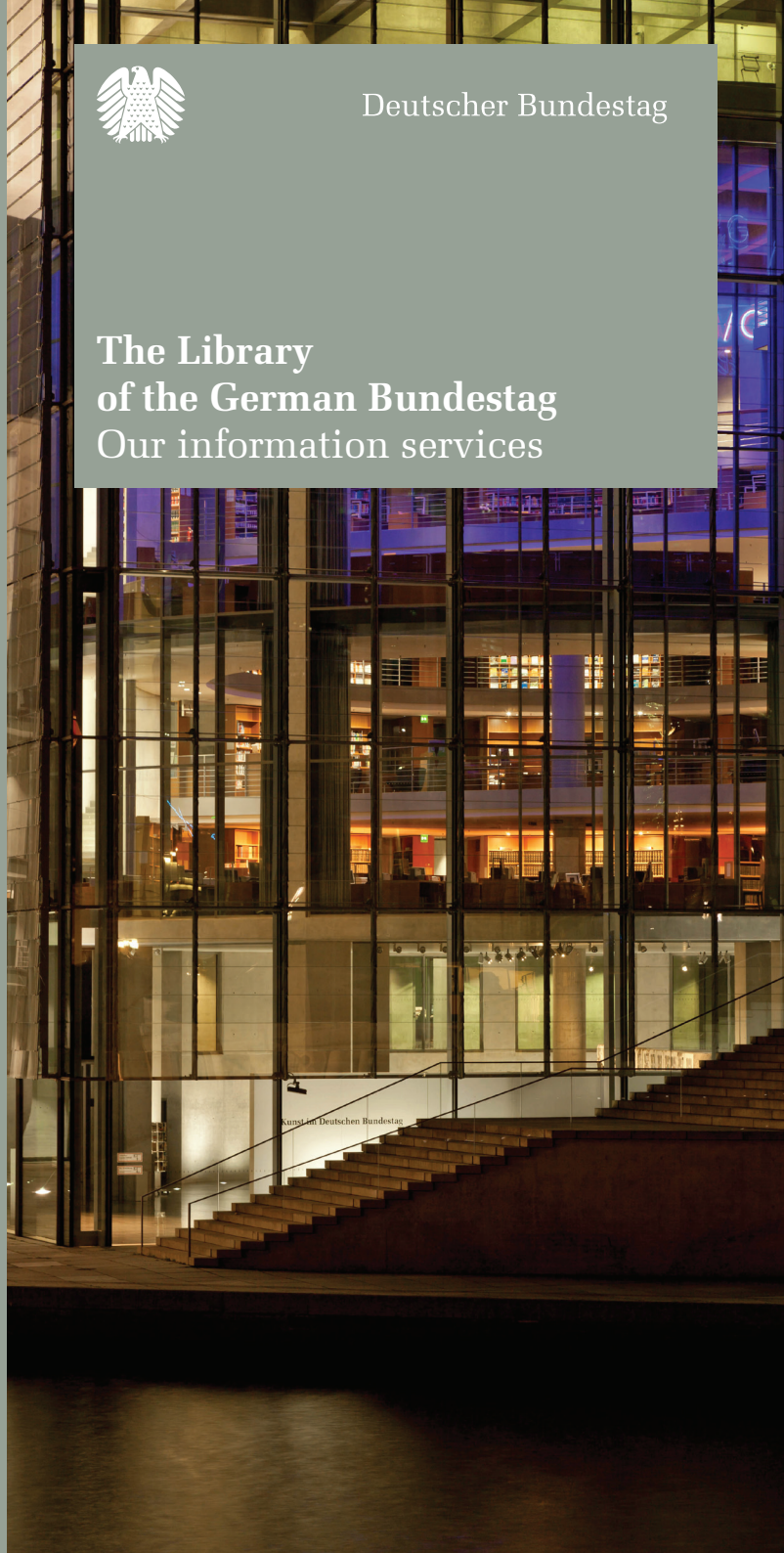
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Library holdings

- Total holdings of 1.5 million volumes, focusing on parliamentarianism, politics, law, economics, social sciences and modern history
- Subscriptions to 8000 periodicals
- Special collections: parliamentary materials, official publications, publications of international organisations, publications of political parties, associations, foundations, etc.

Electronic library

- Electronic journals and books, accessible in full
- Databases and online reference works (e. g. Beck-Online, Munzinger, OECDiLibrary)
- Internet links: constantly updated collection on all topical issues of parliamentary relevance

Electronic catalogue

- Access to the library's entire holdings, organised by formal and thematic criteria: <https://www.bundestag.de/en/documents/library>
- Cataloguing and indexing of politically relevant essays from journals and books
- Literature can be ordered via the Intranet from any office; it is then available for collection thirty minutes later at the issue desk in the Marie-Elisabeth Lüders Building

Topical lists of literature

- New books and essays: monthly list organised by topic
- Literature tips: collections of literature on topical issues
- Bibliographies
- Information bulletins: short abstracts of new political books

Information and research service

- Providing advice in person and by telephone
- Assisting with searches for information or literature
- Handling complex research requests
- Sorting and making available literature according to topic
- Gathering of facts from the library holdings and external sources
- Creating lists of literature on a specific topic
- Obtaining literature from other libraries

Displays

- Regular displays presenting new items
- Book displays on political current affairs

Reading room

- Reference stock of 20,000 volumes on a wide range of topics
- Periodicals reading room with current issues of approximately 1000 periodicals

The Library in the Jakob Kaiser Building

- Information and advice; book lending
- Reference stock of 1000 volumes on selected topics in the reading room
- Current issues of 60 periodicals available

Seminars/Guided tours

- Every Wednesday at 9.00 am (no advance registration required): introduction to the electronic catalogue and the electronic library; guided tour of the rotunda and explanation of the reference collection
- Special guided tours and seminars upon request