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Editorial

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This is the second issue of LIBER Quarterly in its new form. The first issue has been well received by its readers, with three articles on interesting subjects for our European research libraries: the problems of academic libraries in the post-Soviet countries, increasing the information literacy of our users and EFQM as a quality management tool. We continue in this second issue with four new topics:

- The first paper gives an in-depth analysis of the legal issues related to the re-use of digitized material from the public domain. Besides clear statements about the legal aspects, it also gives some recommendations on how best to work within the legal framework in order to achieve an optimized Open Access.
- The second paper is also concerned with Open Access, and particularly the 'Green road'. It describes an analysis of the performance of an institutional repository, especially from the point of view of the involvement of the scientific communities within a university.
- The third paper describes the technological possibilities for delivering new user services by means of mobile devices. For our cash-strapped libraries the good news is that this can be done at almost no cost.
- The last paper of this issue caters for perhaps a more specialized interest: it describes how geographic information and bibliographic metadata can be combined in the digital presentation of aerial photo-

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graphs. This paper is the first LIBER Quarterly publication from the 18th Conference of LIBER's Maps Expert Group, which took place in Barcelona in March 2012. More papers from this Conference will be published in the next issues.

In the meantime, LIBER itself held its Annual General Conference in Tartu, and also this event produced a number of interesting papers which we will publish in the forthcoming issues of the journal. At the same time we want to apologize to the authors of papers that we received but had to reject because they do not fit within the scope of LIBER Quarterly. The selection criteria for a scientific journal are different from those of a professional conference, and what cannot be accepted in the former may well have been an excellent contribution in the latter. We remind our contributors and readers that LIBER has other facilities for publishing items concerned with professional updating and we refer to our Editorial in the first issue of volume 22 for more details on this and on our selection criteria.