

The System COBISS and its Application

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- Public infrastructure service (non-profit)
- 95 employees (library and IT professionals)
- Annual budget: Euro 5.8 million
 - of which 14 % for consortial databases & services
 - of which 13 % for equipment
- 90/10 Ratio of state budget to own sales

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COBISS

(Co-operative Online Bibliographic System & Services)

- Organisational model of joining libraries into a library information system with shared cataloguing
- Autonomous national library information systems
 - COBISS.SI Slovenia
 - COBISS.BH Bosnia and Herzegovina
 - COBISS.MK Macedonia
 - COBISS.SR Serbia
 - COBISS.CG Montenegro
- Library automation software (COBISS2, COBISS3)

COBISS Organisational Model

- Library Information Service (Bibliographic utility)
 - To coordinate activities of library computerisation
 - To coordinate and manage central services
 - To provide COBISS software for central services and local library automation
 - To educate and provide technical support
- Participating Libraries – type of members
 - National member and full members
 - Associated members

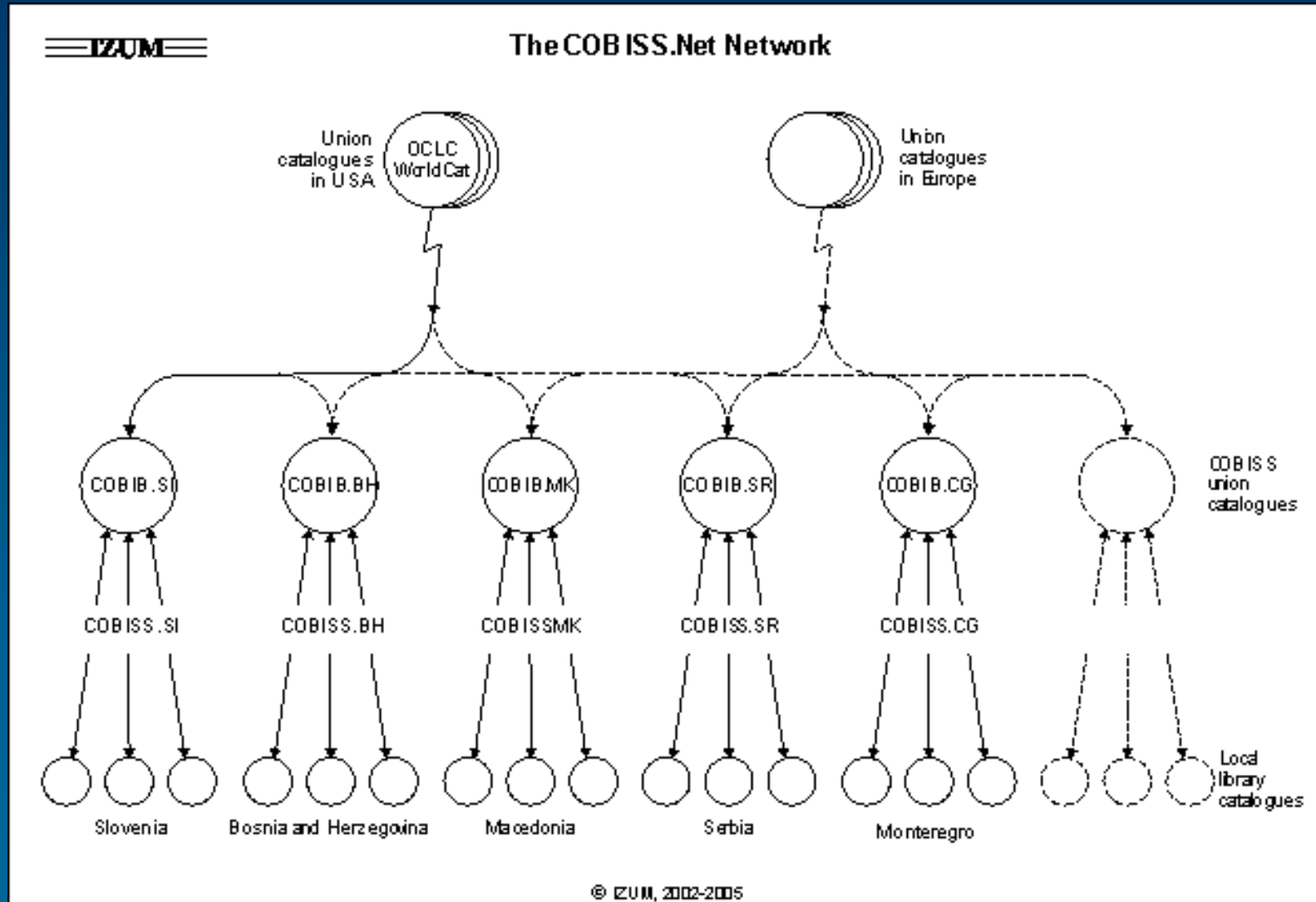
Preconditions

- Use of uniform standards and rules in shared cataloguing
- Suitably skilled cataloguers
- Computer and communications network support
- National Library Information Service
- Multilingual User Interfaces

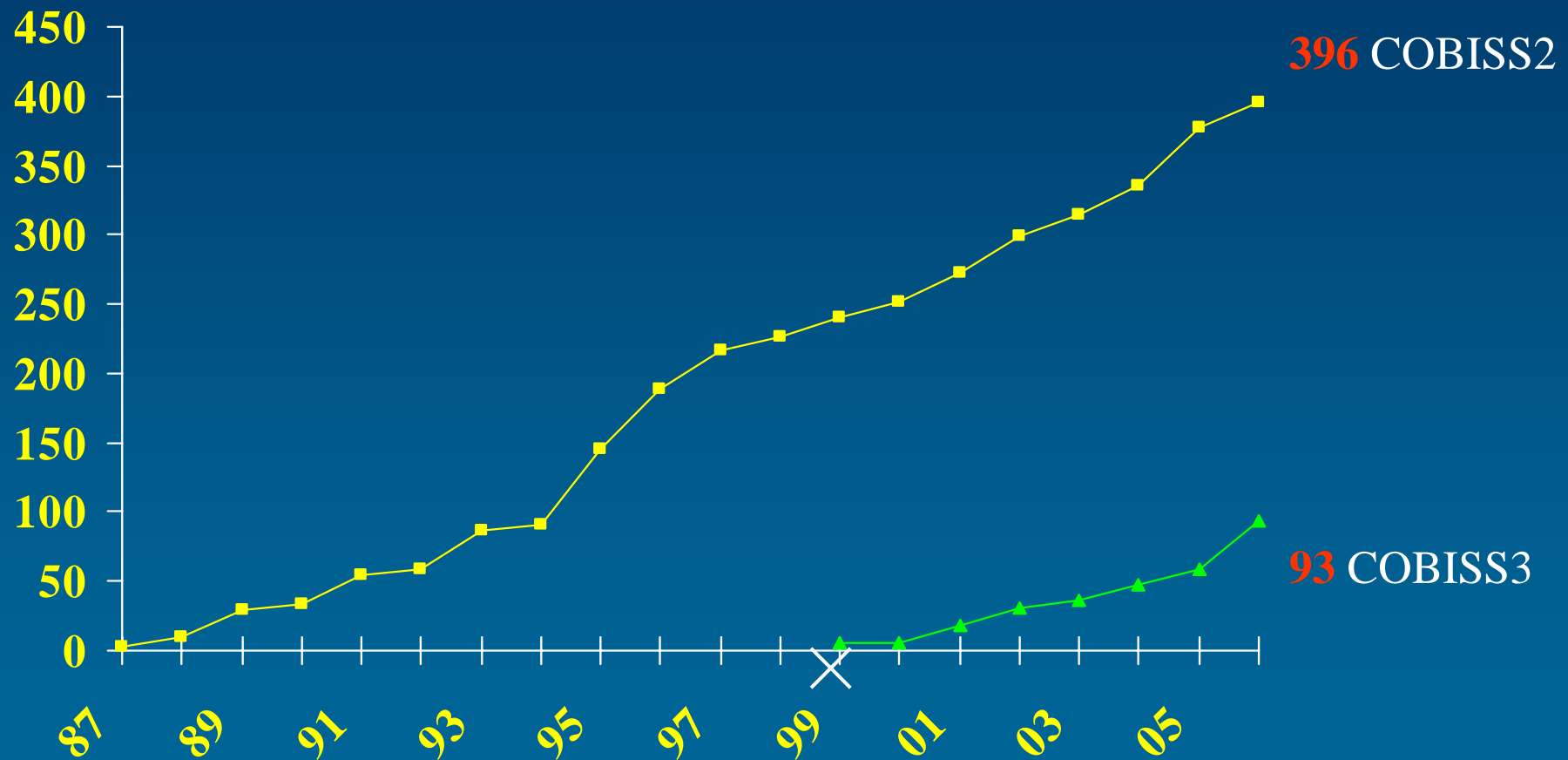
Objectives

- To create the national library information system with the COBIB shared bibliographic database linked to E-CRIS System
- To create links among COBIB shared bibliographic databases, and to Union Catalogues in Europe and WorldCat
- To support cooperation among libraries to:
 - exchange knowledge and expertise
 - exchange bibliographic information and resources
 - increase efficiency
- To automate local library operations

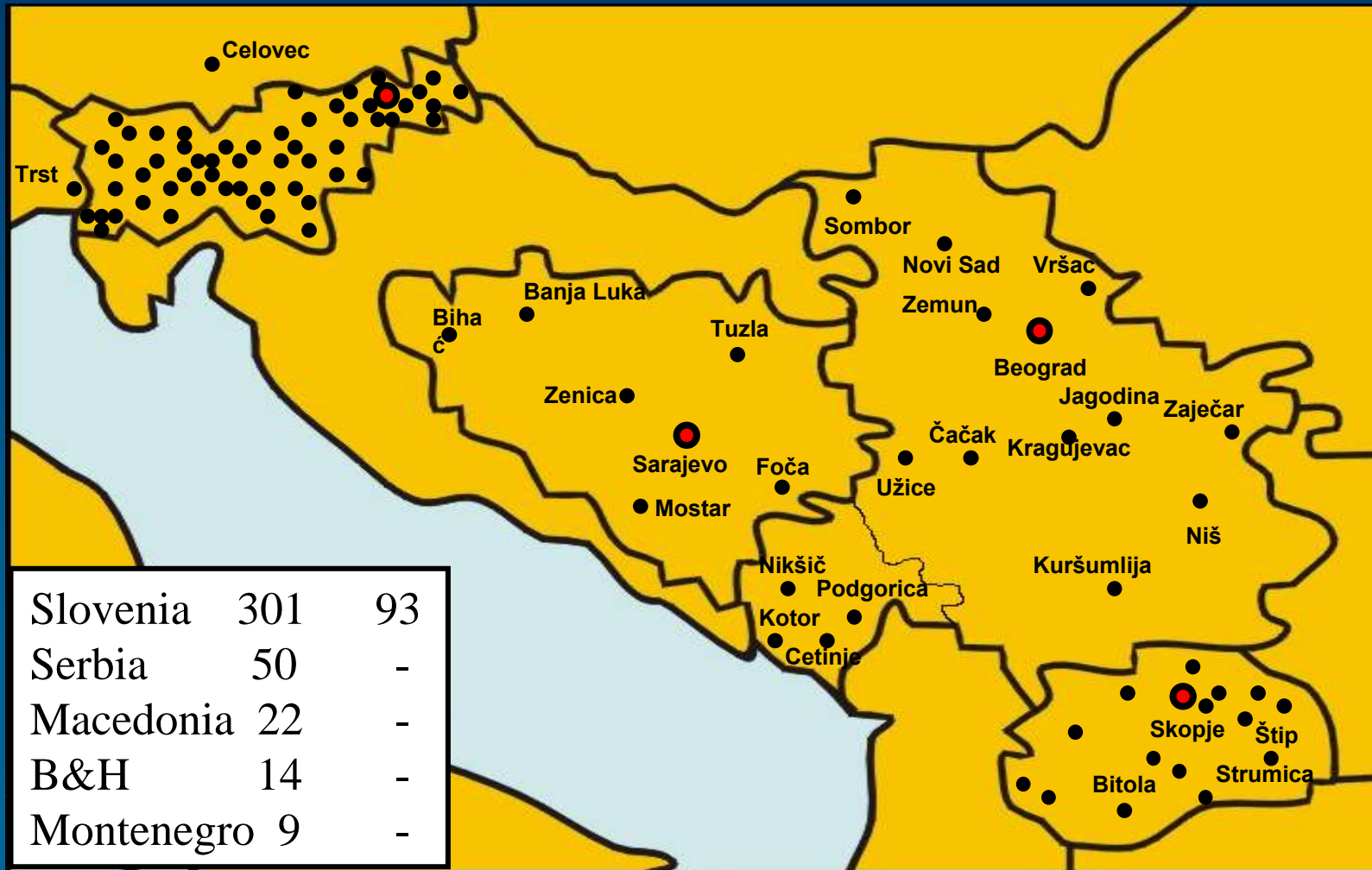
COBISS.Net



Libraries on the COBISS Platform (May 2006)



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Exchanged Records Statistics from Nov 2004 to May 2006

COBISS.Net	Downloaded from COBIB.BH	Downloaded from COBIB.CG	Downloaded from COBIB.MK	Downloaded from COBIB.SI	Downloaded from COBIB.SR	Total
COBISS.BH	-	13	6	776	1,883	2,678
COBISS.CG	41	-	20	1,032	23,251	24,344
COBISS.MK	35	3	-	436	1,672	2,146
COBISS.SI	40	19	281	-	2,032	2,372
COBISS.SR	330	382	697	3,987	-	5,396
Total	446	417	1,004	6,231	28,838	36,936

RESULTS OF THE AGREEMENT on the establishment of the COBISS.Net network and the free exchange of bibliographic records, created in autonomous library information systems of Bosnia and Herzegovina, Montenegro, Macedonia, Slovenia and Serbia.

COBISS

Library Automation Software

COBISS2

- Cataloguing
- OPAC
- Reports
- Loan

COBISS3

- Acquisitions
- Serials
- Holdings
- Interlibrary Loan
- Reports
- Application Administration

Slovenian libraries in COBISS.SI

(May 2006)

Libraries	All	Full member	Associated member
National	1	1 ✓	-
Academic	68	68 ✓	-
Public	64	64 ✓	-
Special	125	120	-
School	659	48	275
Total	917	301	275

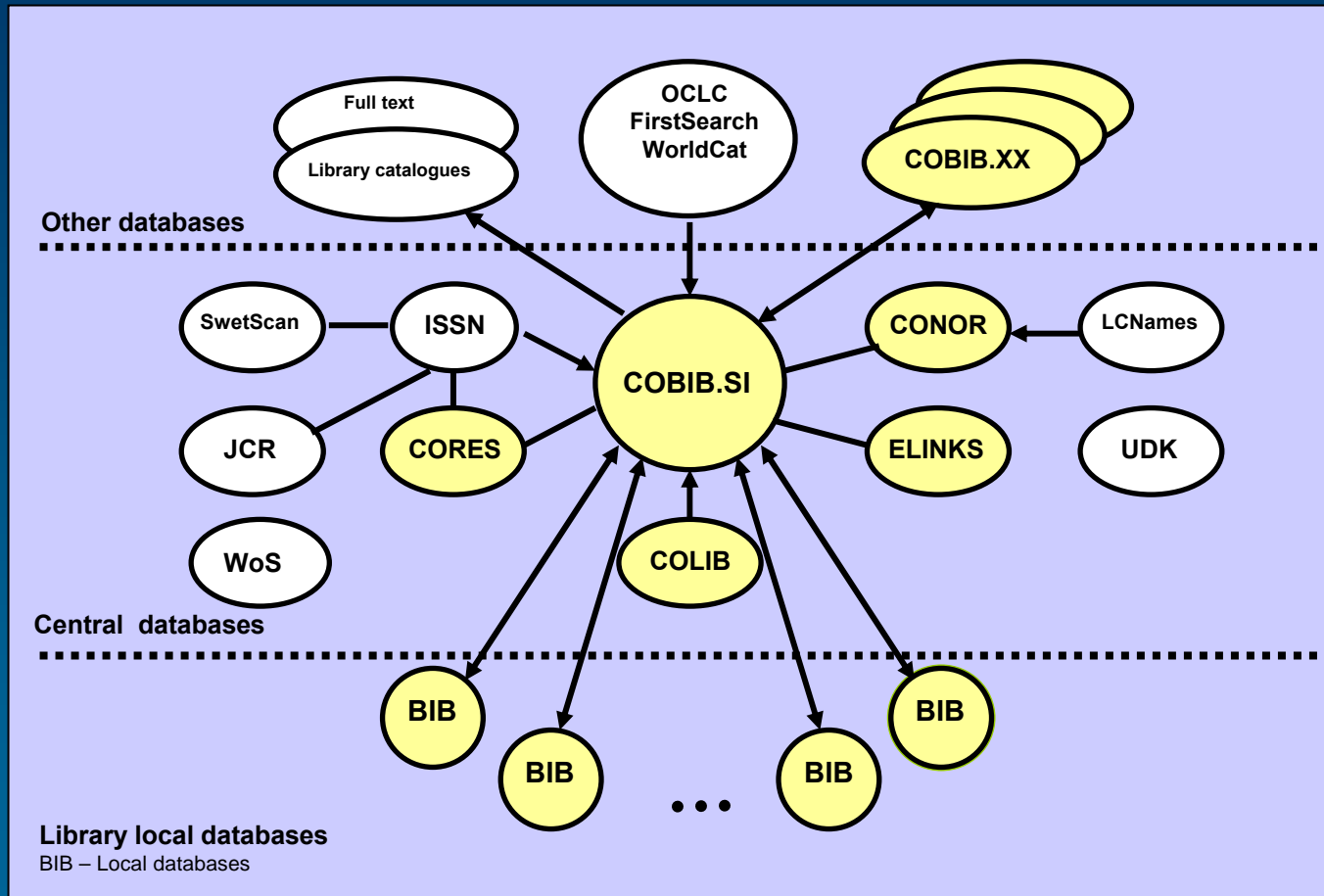
ARNES

Communication Infrastructure



Source: www.arnes.si

Databases

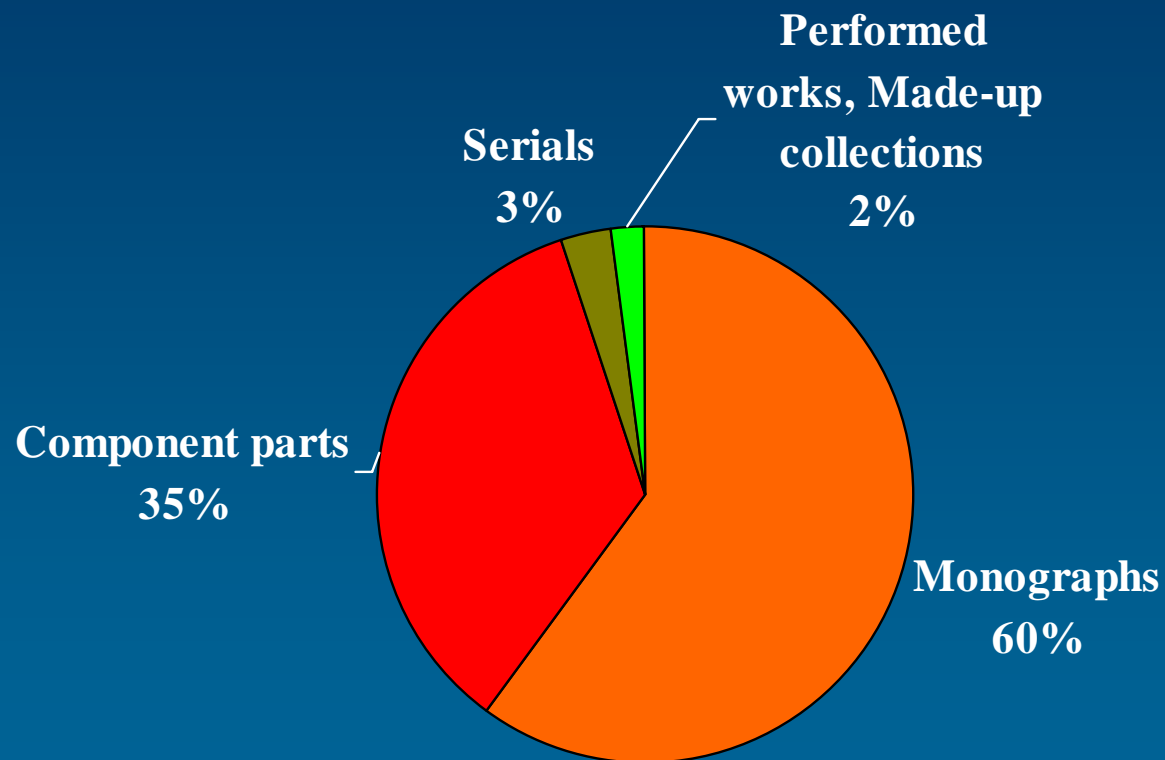


COBIB.SI

(May 2006)

> 2,9 mil. bib. records

> 7,5 mil. sum. holdings



Local DB: > 7,3 mil. bib. records > 13,1 mil. co. sp. holdings

Created/Downloaded Records (2005)

Library	Created	(%)	Downloaded	(%)
National	23,235	(64)	13,375	(36)
Academic	78,954	(63)	45,874	(37)
Special	55,739	(54)	48,460	(46)
Public	41,725	(12)	308,067	(88)
School	1,077	(3)	34,050	(97)
Total	200,730	(31)	449,826	(69)

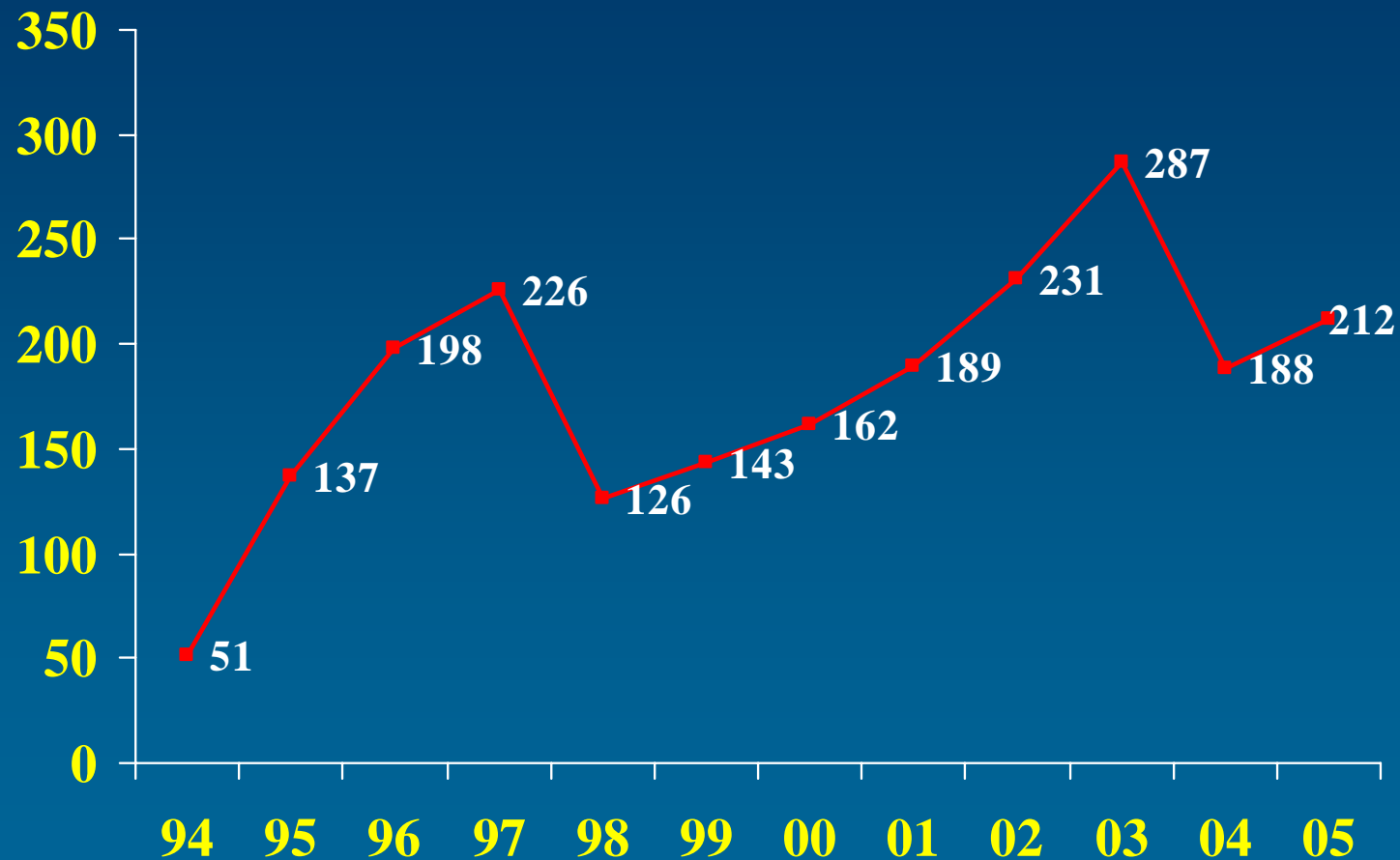
Use of Services in 2005

- 250,000 users
- Use of COBISS.SI databases
 - > 17.9 million search queries
 - > 21.4 million displays
- 476,043 personal bibliographies for 19,460 researchers
- > 0.7 million search queries in other services

Education and Technical Support

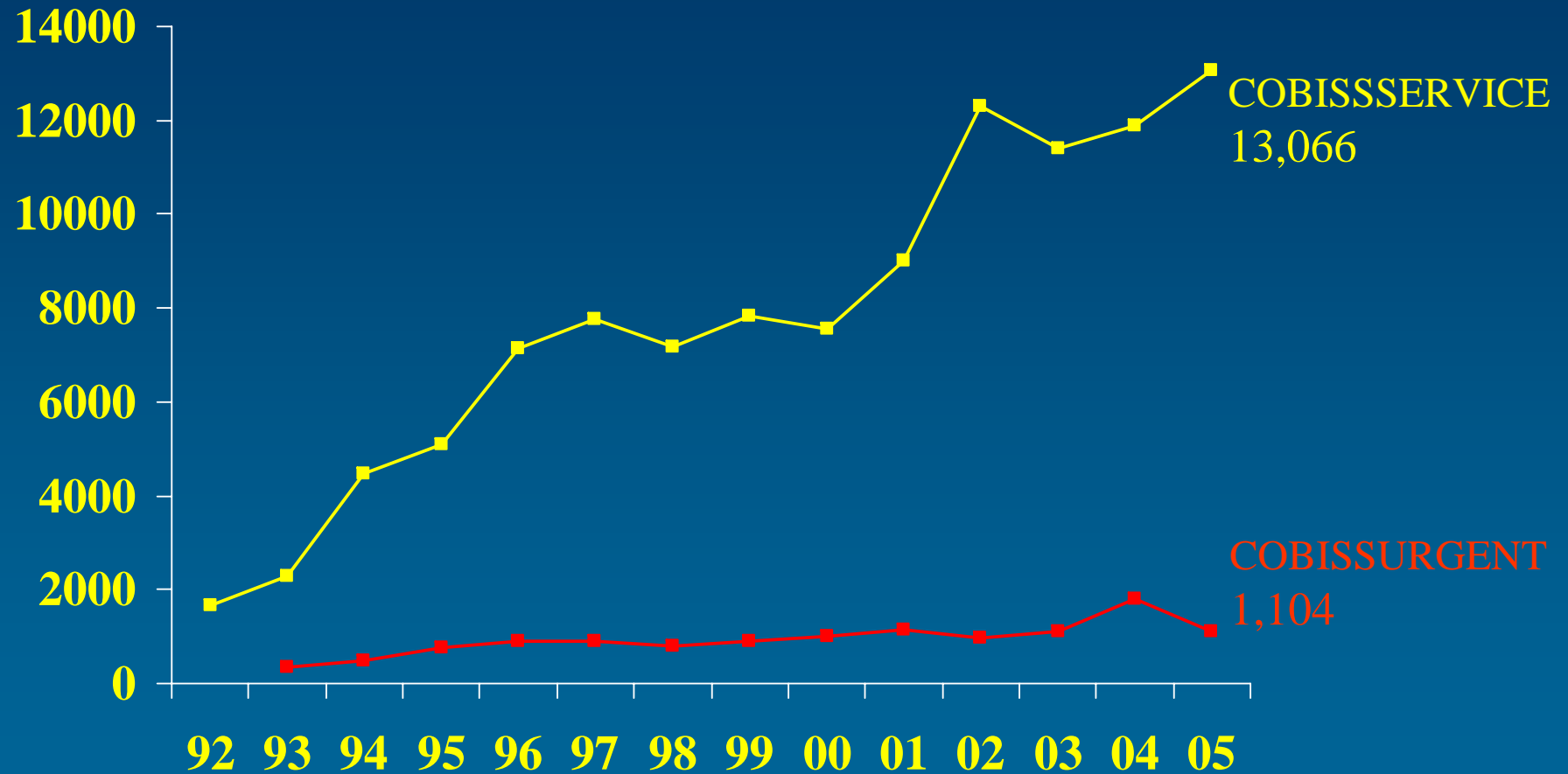
- IZUM Education Programme
(26 different training courses)
- Periodical presentations of new developments in COBISS and in other services
- Technical support (telephone, e-mail, chat)

Education (Training course days per year)



In 2005, additional 140 days of Web-based training courses.

Technical Support (e-mails, telephone calls per year)



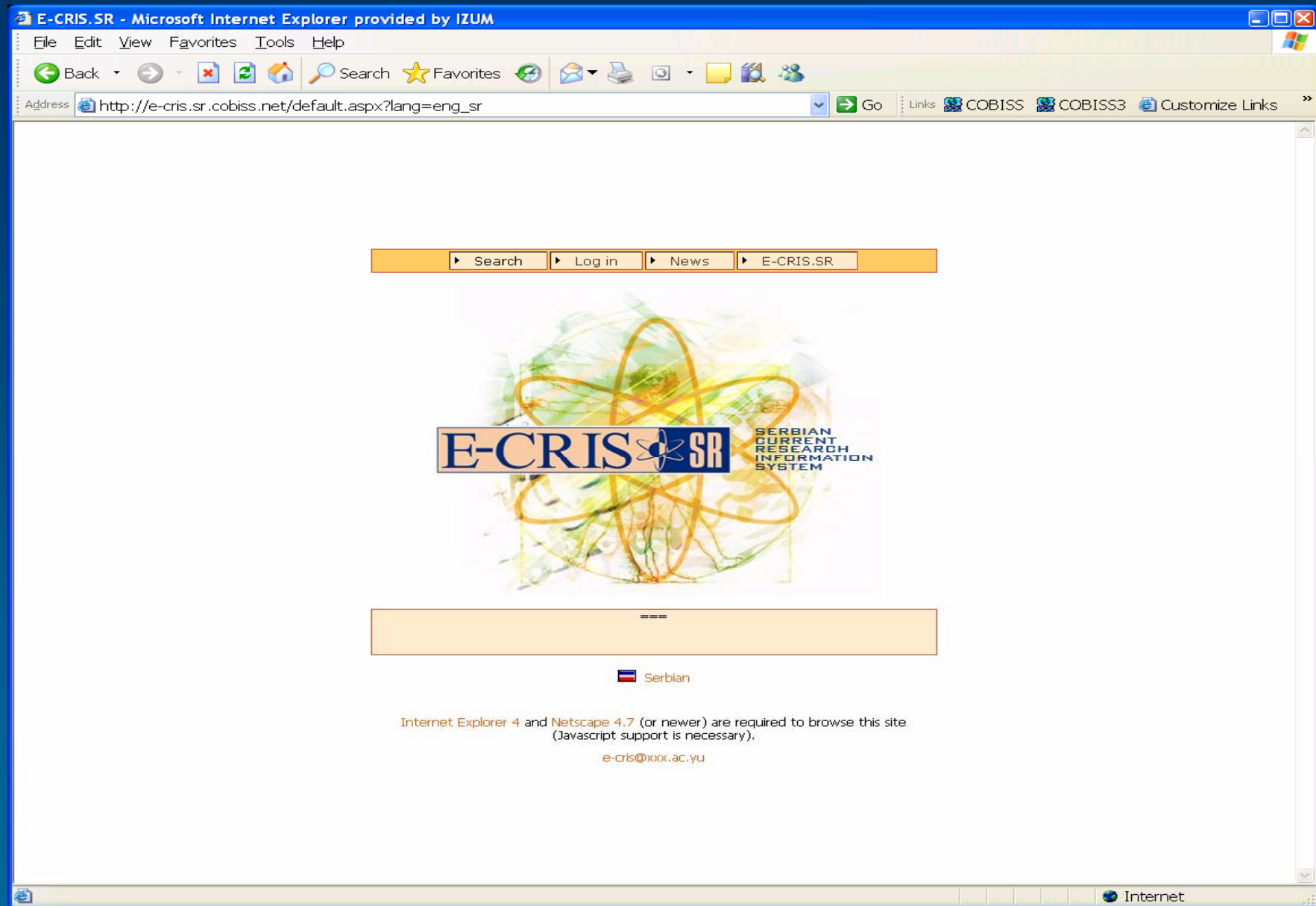
New services for the users

- *Library Remuneration* for the authors whose works are on loan in public libraries (2004)
- Reference Service *Ask a librarian* (2005)
- Web-based courses (2005)
- Ordering resources via COBISS/OPAC (2006)

SICRIS

Slovenian Current Research Information System

- Databases
 - Research Organisations
 - Research Groups
 - Researchers
 - Research Projects
 - Research Programmes
- CERIF Format (Common European Research Information Format)
- Internet application (<http://sicris.izum.si>)
 - Direct link to the COBISS.SI (Bibliographies) system
 - Transparency of research and development activities and results



Ongoing COBISS Projects

- New COBISS3 modules
- Authority Control
- New services for end users
- COBISS.Net

More information

<http://www.cobiss.net>

COBISS.Net: Phase 2
Comments by Experts
COBISS – the platform