



**KAZAN (VOLGA REGION) FEDERAL UNIVERSITY**  
**LOBACHEVSKY SCIENTIFIC LIBRARY**

**INFORMATION LETTER 1**

**Second International Conference**  
**«University Libraries in the World Information Space»**

The Second International Conference «University Libraries in the World Information Space» is scheduled to take place from 28th to 30th November 2017 in the city of Kazan, Republic of Tatarstan, Russian Federation, at the headquarters of Kazan (Volga Region) Federal University and Lobachevsky Scientific Library.

*The Conference will be held within the Lobachevsky Year, declared at Kazan University on the occasion of the 225th anniversary of the birth of the great mathematician Nikolai Ivanovich Lobachevsky, the discoverer of non-Euclidean geometry, who also was rector and librarian at Kazan University, and spent all his scientific life in this educational institution. In 1953, the library of Kazan University was named after Nikolai I. Lobachevsky.*

*Our Conference is a tribute to the memory of this great scientist. We announce the following theme as central for the event: “libraries in the context of global challenges, and how the programs for the enhancement of the competitiveness of universities influence the work of libraries”.*

**Main issues for discussions and reports:**

**Integration of libraries into educational and research activities**

- Material and informational support to the scientific and educational process.
- Library services for the development of scientific communication and research support.
- Cooperation between libraries and publishing houses.
- Improvement of users’ informational competence.
- Interaction practice between libraries and university scientific and educational structures (licensing and accreditation of educational programs, implementation and use of originality/plagiarism checkers, and so on).

**Scientometrics in modern university environment: pros and cons**

- Scientometrics metrics: their understanding and application.
- Informational support for scientific research: using bibliometry.
- Scientometrics and Research Evaluation: modern trends.

**Libraries and society**

- Libraries’ web portals.
- Libraries and social media.
- Accessibility, openness and comfort of the library space.
- «Third Place»: library as a stage for self-realization, informal communication and social interaction.

**Libraries and their collections: history, preservation and study**

- Creation and development of library collections from the 18th century through the first half of the 20th century.
- Library evolution in a historical context.

- Libraries' historical buildings: construction technologies, preservation and operation in modern conditions.

Heads and specialists of libraries, publishing houses, bookselling and book distribution organizations, employees of information centers, as well as the staff of scientific, cultural and educational institutions are invited to participate in the conference.

Those interested in participating are required to register **before August 31st, 2017, on the website of the Lobachevsky Scientific Library**: "Conference 2017" at <http://kpfu.ru/library>

By registering, the participant agrees that the Organizer is allowed to process the participant's personal information provided in the registration form.

The registration fee is 2000 rubles.

The sending party shall be responsible for the participant's travel expenses and travel allowance. Information on accommodations in Kazan is available at <http://www.booking.com/>

Participants needing an invitation letter for visa purposes are required to contact the Organizing Committee to provide the full name and job position of the head of their organization as well as the organization's mailing address where the invitation letter should be sent.

It is expected that an exhibition of publishing and library-related products, goods and services will be held at the time of the conference. Applications for participation in the exhibition should be submitted to the Organizing Committee.

**The text of the reports will be accepted until August 31, 2017.** The Conference organizers have the right to select the reports and make corrections to the text for publication. The materials of the Conference will be included in the electronic proceedings to appear in the Electronic Library of Kazan University, and will be indexed in the Russian Science Citation Index (RSCI). The most interesting reports will be selected by the Program Committee for publication in the journal "Electronic Libraries" (which is indexed in the RSCI).

#### **Formatting requirements for reports:**

The text must comply with the following requirements. Line spacing must be set at 1,2. Page numbers must appear center-aligned at the bottom of the pages. The font must be Calibri at the following sizes: 16 pt for headings; 14 pt for subheadings, abstract and body text; and 10 pt for notes, remarks and comments. Each note must appear at the bottom of the corresponding page. The bibliography must be placed at the end of the document. The references to literature sources in the document text must be written in brackets, and must include the source number (according to the bibliography given at the end of the document) and the page number in the source. The bibliography must comply with the GOST P 7.0.5-2008 technical standard (<http://protect.gost.ru/document.aspx?control=7&id=173511>). For further details, see [http://ojs.kpfu.ru/files/trebovaniya\\_k\\_oformleniyu.pdf](http://ojs.kpfu.ru/files/trebovaniya_k_oformleniyu.pdf)

The participants will be offered a **cultural and entertainment program** consisting of tours of Kazan, including visits to the Kazan Kremlin (on the day of arrival, i.e. November 27th) and the Sviyazhsk island-city (<http://www.ostrovgrad.org/home/>) (on November 30th).

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