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Description

Is the traditional library business model a victim of disruptive digital technologies?

Library Management in Disruptive Times identifies the key skills and attitudes needed by the library leaders of today and tomorrow and delivers a balanced view of the future of the profession.

Contributed to by expert professional library leaders and educators from across the globe, this edited collection offers thought-provoking perspectives on the challenge of the current operating environment across a range of library sectors, library professional associations and geographic regions. Each author brings their own particular area of expertise and perspective on to consider the effects of disruptive change in libraries globally.

Key topics covered include:

- Leading change
- Management fads and their impact on libraries
- User engagement
- The value of collaboration and consortia
- Library management and the global economic crisis Agile management techniques
- The role of professional associations in redefining the profession
- Developing management skills on the job
- Planning for the future.

This dynamic collection helps readers to envision the purpose and value of future libraries and to see change as a rare opportunity to create truly new roles for librarians.

Readership: This will be essential reading for library managers, directors and aspiring leaders throughout the world.

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