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Janko Strahinić (Bachelor of Library Science and History Professor) is a school librarian and the head of the textbook fund and so has many years of experiences with various computer programs intended for the operation of school libraries. As a result of constant professional training in the field of education and performing various additional professional tasks he was awarded the title mentor.

COBISS from a School Librarian's Perspective

The purpose of the presentation is highlighting some issues school librarians had when transitioning to the COBISS software in accordance with the Librarianship Act, as well as overviewing and comparing the work of school librarians in the old and the new program for school libraries. The standard of school libraries and public libraries is compared and the work of school librarians is presented in detail. The advantages and disadvantages of the COBISS program are analysed from the perspective of a new user or a beginner user. At the same time, a few comments and suggestions are given for the improvements of the mentioned program, especially in the segment pertaining to the work with the users – loan and searching for material. Consequently, we also present some suggestions for an easier and cheaper operation of school libraries and textbook funds.

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