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Romana Muhvič Šumandl graduated in Computer and Information Science at the Technical Faculty in Maribor. She has been working at IZUM since 1991, first as a professional assistant and after that as Head of the User Service Department. She worked on several research and development projects, but her work has always focused on helping, supporting and advising users of the COBISS system. Among others, her tasks involved working with catalogue cards, the COMARC/B format, creating bibliographies, conducting courses, solving user requests, preparing documentation, etc. In 2013, she became Head of Service Management, where she coordinates the work of the User Service, Software Operation, Training, and Public Relations units.

The Inclusion of School Libraries to COBISS

In line with the Act Amending the Librarianship Act (ZKnj-1A) (Official Gazette RS, No. 92/2015), school libraries joined the COBISS.SI system. The National Education Institute (acting as the training session organiser), the National library of Slovenia and IZUM joined their forces in the process of including school libraries into the COBISS.SI system. Training took place between 1 September 2016 and 31 August 2018. In this period, training was organized for up to 450 people (one person per school). The training dates and locations were coordinated between IZUM and the National Education Institute. The libraries must edit their library catalogue within the COBISS.SI system exclusively by means of downloading records from the COBISS.SI shared catalogue. With the inclusion of school libraries, the COBISS.SI system became a true national library system as the population can use only one uniform library information system throughout their entire education.