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Country Report
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1 Facts and Figures

Sn	Item Description	Figures
a	Operating Budget i. Government ii. External Sources	
b	Total Staff (FTE) i. Graduate or Post Graduate with library qualifications ii. Other Qualifications	17 13 4
c	Collection Size i. Physical collection ii. Digital collection preserved	300.000 documents
d	Visitorship (Annual) i. Physical visits to reading rooms ii. Digital visits to websites	700-1000
e	Inter Library Loans provided (Annual)	

2 Overview of Major or New Developments in Library Buildings, Collections, Access or Services [Please provide a maximum of 5 highlights:

- Reading hall (easy access – level GF) – 200 visitors
- General documents on shelves (Reading Hall)
- Corners dedicated to the cultures and tourist destinations of Arab and foreign countries (Reading Hall)
- Small Library for public reading (Side hall)
- Access to the heritage collection through the library management system in the reading room supervised by the work team (work is underway to activate it)

3 Collaborations with Libraries, Archives and Museums in your Country [Please provide a maximum of 5 highlights]:

- National Museum
- Public Library
- University Library (AUB-LAU---)
- National Archive

4 International Collaborations such as Formal Arrangements for Cooperation with National Libraries [Please provide a maximum of 5 highlights]

- French National Library BNF
- British Library
- Spain National Library