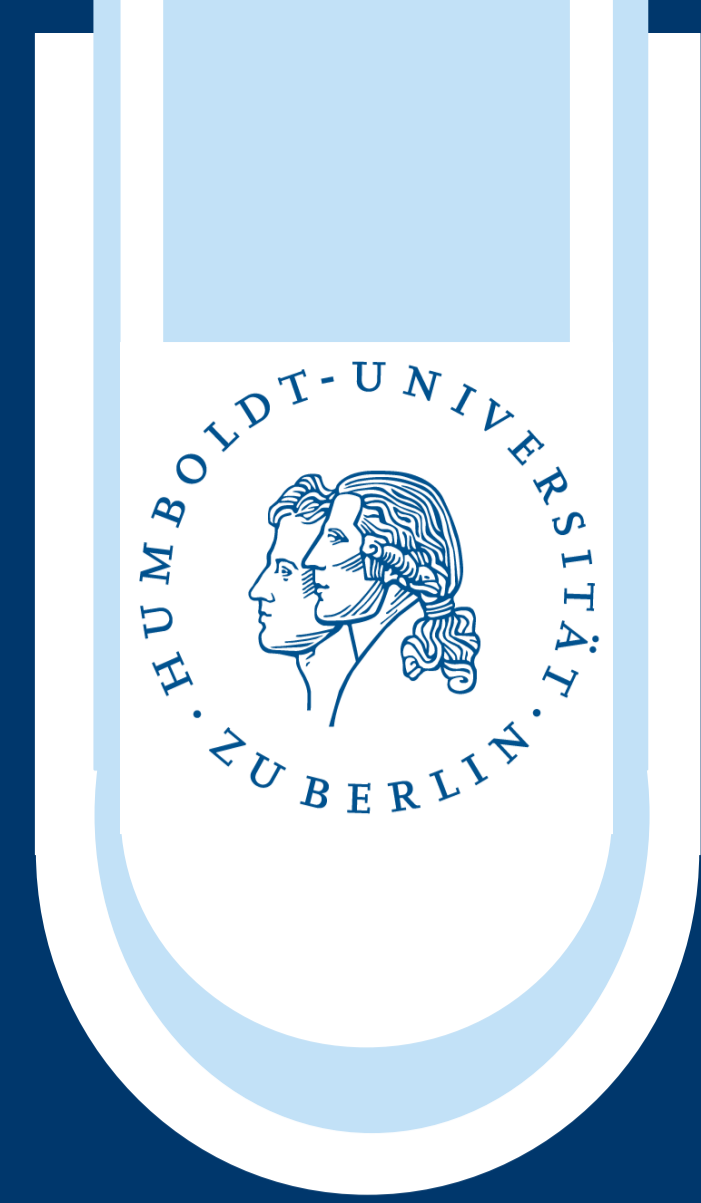


# Demographic Change



## Challenge for Libraries

### Demographic Change

"Local authorities are faced with the serious problem of declining and aging populations. The social system as well as local infrastructure must comply with changing conditions." (From the program by the German Federal Government: Support program for "social work")

Libraries are facing these demographic changes as well, with new challenges: depopulation of small local authorities, migration, demand for public engagement and structural changes are some of the challenges which libraries must face.

### The Project

In the winter semester 2013/14 the Berlin School of Library and Information Science at Humboldt-University of Berlin offered a project seminar "From Idea to realization – practical implementation of a book project including DTP". The students construct an anthology titled "Challenge accepted! Libraries facing the demographic change". Original contributions by competent professionals handle about different aspects of demographic change and the reactions by libraries.

### Challenge accepted!

Libraries facing the demographic change



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### The Book (selection of topics)

- Demographic Change – more chances than risks?! (Petra Klug)
- Older people and new library space concepts – a contradiction? (Olaf Eigenbrodt)
- Public engagement – a burden or enrichment? (Gudrun Kulzer)
- The value of the media-user-typology by public libraries and the challenges of the demographic change. (Konrad Umlauf)
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