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## Press Release

### €1m for specialized information service in Theology

**Tübingen University Library collaborates with Faculties of Theology in joint project to make research resources widely accessible**

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The German Research Foundation (DFG) has approved nearly €1m in funding over three years to establish a specialized information service (Fachinformationsdienst or FID) for Theology at the University of Tübingen library. The service will be the only one of its kind for Theology in Germany – and represents a new level of collaboration between the University Library and Tübingen’s two major Faculties of Theology.

The new, specialized information service will be built on the foundations of the existing Index Theologicus and will become a comprehensive bibliography for all theological disciplines, using the latest multilingual search engine technology and making it easier for researchers to access fully digitalized texts. Authors will be able to deposit open-access publications there, and there will be support for the founding of open-access journals.

The library-based service will work closely with other theological research and documentation centers in Germany and around the world. “With this DFG sponsorship, we can expand our strategies for internationalization and open access which began with the Index Theologicus,” says Dr. Martin Fassnacht, head of the project.

The German Research Foundation funding is aimed at making research materials widely accessible in the relevant fields and allowing researchers to benefit no matter where they are. Tübingen already hosts one other FID in the Law Faculty’s specialist field of Criminology. “Along with Criminology, this approval makes two important areas in which our specialist collections have become specialist information services, says University Library director, Dr. Marianne Dörr.

#### Information:

[http://www.dfg.de/foerderung/info\\_wissenschaft/info\\_wissenschaft\\_14\\_75/index.html](http://www.dfg.de/foerderung/info_wissenschaft/info_wissenschaft_14_75/index.html)

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