Millions of people access the Internet for the first time in a public library.

**LIBRARIES AND SKILLS in Slovakia**

**LIBRARIES IN SLOVAKIA**

- 352,393 adults registered in the public library each year.
- There are 14.5 MILLION BOOK LOANS in Slovakian libraries each year.
- 47% of them offer internet access.
- 23% of them offer WiFi access.

**SKILLS IN SLOVAKIA**

- Slovakia ranks 20 on the EU’s Digital Economy & Society Index (DESI).
- 3% of Slovakian adults participate in life-long learning activities.
- 40.5% of Slovakian employers encounter difficulties in finding employees with the rights skills.

**% ADULTS WITH LOW LITERACY SKILLS**

- EU: 20%
- Slovakia: 12%

**% ADULTS WITH LOW NUMERACY SKILLS**

- EU: 24%
- Slovakia: 14%

**HOW GOOD ARE THE SLOVAKIANS ONLINE?**

Information drawn from: European Commission Digital Economy and Society Index (DESI) 2016; European Commission Education and Training Monitor 2016; OECD Programme for the International Assessment of Adult Competencies (PIAAC); TNS Global Survey Measuring perceptions of the benefits of ICT in public libraries in the EU; the European Bureau of Library, Information and Documentation Associations (EBLIDA) and the Slovak Library Association (Slovenská asociácia knižníc).