**LIBRARIES AND SKILLS in Germany**

**LIBRARIES IN GERMANY**
- There are **121 MILLION VISITS** in Germany per year
- There are **5.2 MILLION REGISTERED USERS** in public libraries
- **8652 LIBRARIES IN GERMANY** (1981 are run by full time staff)
- 82% of them offer internet access
- 60% of them offer WiFi access.
- 123,000 attended educational activities at the public library
- There are **29 MILLION eBook LOANS** in German libraries each year
- There are **274 MILLION BOOK LOANS** in Germany each year

**SKILLS IN GERMANY**
- Germany ranks **12** on the EU’s Digital Economy & Society Index (DESI)
- **8.2%** of German adults participate in life-long learning activities
- **51%** of German employers encounter difficulties in finding employees with the right skills

**% ADULTS WITH LOW LITERACY SKILLS**
- **EU** 20%
- **Germany** 18%

**% ADULTS WITH LOW NUMERACY SKILLS**
- **EU** 24%
- **Germany** 18%

**How good are the Germans online?**

**Did You Know?**
- 61% of eligible voters in Germany voted in the 2019 European Parliament elections

Information drawn from: The EU Digital Economy and Society Index (DESI) 2016; European Commission Education and Training Monitor 2019; OECD Programme for the International Assessment of Adult Competencies (PIAAC); 2019 European Parliament election results; European Commission Skills data, Deutsche Statistik Bibliothek and the German Library Association (Deutscher Bibliotheksverband).