

# APPLICATION FORM

## LIBRARY DATA

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**Library name:** Biblioteca Municipal de Vega-La Camocha

**Address:** C/ Charles Chaplin s/n

**City:** Gijón

**Country:** Spain

**Phone:** 985181791 / 985181792

**Webpage url:** <http://bibliotecas.gijon.es/page/3167-vega-la-camocha>

**Contact 2.0: Facebook page, Blog's url, etc.**

<http://www.facebook.com/pages/Biblioteca-Municipal-de-Vega-La-Camocha/392630927328>

<http://www.youtube.com/bibliotecacamocha>

<http://kamochoa2punto0.wordpress.com/>

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## LIBRARY DESCRIPTION

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Please, mark the characteristics of your library (mark all those appropriate):

Metropolitan library

Rural library

Library service with branch libraries

Mobile library

Children and Young Adults Library

Library with less than 1,000 inhabitants

Library between 1,000 and 5,000 inhabitants

Library between 5,000 and 10,000 inhabitants

Library between 10,000 and 20,000 inhabitants

Library between 20,000 and 30,000 inhabitants

Library between 30,000 and 100,000 inhabitants

Library between 100,000 and 200,000 inhabitants

Library between 200,000 and 500,000 inhabitants

Library with more than 500,000 inhabitants

## MORE INFORMATION

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Please, tell us a bit more about your library, pictures are also welcome:

### **Short description:**

We are one of the eleven libraries which integrate the network of libraries of the City Council of Gijón. Located in the suburbs, at 7 kilometres from the city, we give service to the an area which combined small farms and agricultural explotations with the settlements near the recently closed coal mine which nowadays is becoming a residential area with lots of young families moving from the city.

The Library Department of the City Council is the headquarter of the net. The 11 libraries are located in different districts of the city giving library services to almost 300,000 citizens. The Citizen Card substitutes the old municipal library card. It is a personal master key that allows citizens, residents or not, access to many public services, libraries included.

The whole network have 310,000 documents and had 330,000 loans in 2012. The global number of users, visitors and participants in the department activities sums up to 940,000.

The Camocha Library area of influence spread out several parishes, some kind of districts in the rural area of the Council, including Vega and the settlement of La Camocha which is the name of the coal mine and other parishes around us. We have 25, 000 documents, free Wi-Fi access, IT room, Adult and Child rooms, Local room.

Our library has 507 linear metres of shelf space in a 450 square meters building with 87 seats for reading, studying, etcetera.

About the staff working: a librarian, a Library Assistant Technician and a Social-cultural Animation Technician.

**Current library programs:**

Our main programs are related to:

- cooperation with the local school library. "Entrebiblios" Project  
<https://www.facebook.com/pages/ENTREBIBLIOS/267263966630160>
- User Training Program with Primary and Secondary School where local schools are involved.  
<http://bibliotecas.gijon.es/page/10151-formacion-de-usuarios>
- Reading Promotion through two Reading clubs, one for Adults and another for Children. Nowadays we are planning an online one.  
<http://kamocho2punto0.wordpress.com/>  
<http://bibliotecas.gijon.es/page/5411-club-de-lectura-infantil>
- Storytelling for children (Cuenta-cuentos)
- Storytelling for toddlers (Bebecuentos)
- Anual Literary Contest "Pín de Pría"  
<http://bibliotecas.gijon.es/page/10155-concurso-literario-pin-de-pria>

**Please tell us about the kind of activities you would be interested in doing with your sister library:**

**We like people feel easy in our library, like at home. We try to promote reading and get involved in all our activities keeping that idea in mind. We like to use social media webs and apps, the new ITs and try to innovate in our practice. We think we have to respond to the changing ways people**

use libraries and create an attractive ambience to attract users.

We love to work with promotion of reading. We think libraries, especially public ones because of its proximity, must be "open-minded" and revise its traditional role.

Because of that we would like to:

- Exchange and share activities, programs, "on-line" exhibitions, etcetera
- Exchange and share ideas, establish or encourage personal relations between staff and users, interacting with social media such as Facebook, blogs, etcetera
- We are planning to create an online Reading Club using a dedicated platform or Facebook. Maybe a bilingual one or using the same reading in both languages and share comments, reading guides, etcetera.
- exchanged ideas about marketing to better promote public library services

**Languages your staff speaks:**

Spanish, French and English

**Languages users speak/read:**

Mainly Spanish, English (very few)

**Preferred countries for cooperation:**

None

**Please, tell us a bit about the features of the library that ideally you would like to cooperate with:**

- Social Media users and with presence in the WWW.
- Involved in training programs.
- libraries with reading promotion programs.
- libraries sharing our thoughts and way of working, trying to make the library a cultural centre, a meeting point for users and readers.
- people who want to change that "traditional role" which shows libraries just as places where books are borrowed.

## **EUROPEAN UNION PROGRAMS**

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**Please, indicate if you are searching partners in other countries for any European Union project:**

YES

NO

**If yes, for which projects?:**

**Please, indicate if you are participating in any European Union program:**

YES

NO