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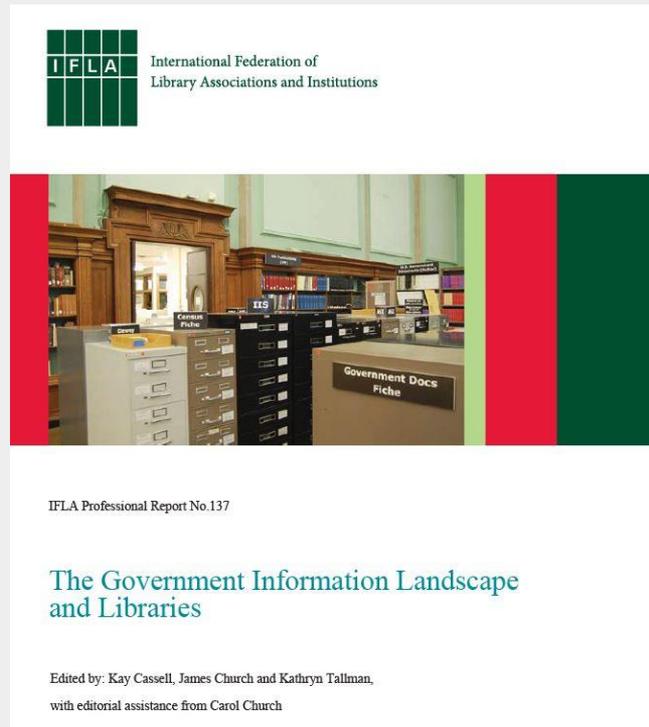
Abstract

The Government Information Landscape and Libraries … illustrates the challenges and complexities posed by government publishing systems and the **need to maintain professional government information expertise** in libraries to help users discover and interpret it. The report demonstrates this through a series of case studies that attempt to demystify and spark interest in this rich complexity for selected countries, regions, and institutions worldwide.

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Concluding Points

❏ Access to information is a fundamental right shared by most countries

❏ Most of the barriers to access and preservation of gov't information are the result of emerging technologies

❏ Highly trained, skilled, and specialized government information professionals are still necessary; now more than ever

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