The two-day workshop is aimed at equipping working library professionals automating library processes using the open-source software KOHA. KOHA is one of the most widely used systems in the world for its easy implementation without limitation to library size, and strong development support. It addresses almost entire gamut of the library processes such as Patron management, Serials, Circulation, Administration, Reserves, Acquisitions, Stock Inventory, OPAC, Authorities Control, Reports, Cataloging, Search, Branch Relationship etc. Koha is based on International library standards and protocols (such as MARC21, Z39.50 etc.) that ensures that Koha data can be exchanged between similar ILMSs. & any other library management system. More details about KOHA can be found at www.koha.org.
The workshop will be equally useful to the libraries planning to migrate from expensive proprietary software, as well as the libraries that are yet to embark upon library automation. The following major topics will be covered in the Workshop:

- Introduction to Open Source Systems and their application in the Libraries
- Koha and library automation: module by module
- Customization and Management of Koha
- Customization of Koha Online Catalogue (OPAC)
- Cataloguing MARC-21 framework.
- Installation and brief overview of Marc-Edit Software
- RFID technology and KOHA: SIP server, middleware, and RFID enabled devices

Technical specialist from Best Book Buddies Tech. Pvt. Ltd and JGU Library will lead the Workshop.

Registration & participation fee

The application for registration to the programme should be submitted in the enclosed prescribed form /online to O.P. Jindal Global University at Sonipat. Instructions for making payment are available in the Registration form. Accepted candidates will be provided confirmation by e-mail/telephone.

Participation is free for up to two professional staff from member institutions of COPAL.

Fee for participants from non-member institutions is ₹1000/- (Rupees one thousand only) per person. The fee covers cost of training material, lunch, and morning & afternoon tea.

All participants shall bear cost of travel and accommodation themselves. Accommodation can be arranged for a maximum stay of 3 days in the University Executive Housing, from ₹1000 to 3000 per night on sharing basis and subject to availability. There are affordable hotels and guest houses near the University starting from ₹2500 per night.

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**About the Organizers**

**Consortium of Private Academic Libraries in India (COPAL)** is being established as a Section 8 Company, with main objectives of creating opportunities and establish framework for mutual cooperation, and collaborations, in improving the quality of library services, collections, infrastructure, and human resources, that can help the parent institutions achieving global standards, identifying , reviewing and developing and sharing resources, knowledge, experience and best practices in managing the library services.

**O.P. Jindal Global University (JGU)** is established by the Haryana Private Universities (Second Amendment) Act, 2009. The vision of JGU is to promote global courses, global programmes, global curriculum, global research, global collaborations, and global interaction through a global faculty. JGU is situated on an 80-acre state-of-the-art residential campus in the National Capital Region of Delhi. JGU is one of the few universities in Asia that maintains a 1:15 faculty-student ratio and appoints faculty members from different parts of the world with outstanding academic qualifications and experience. JGU has established seven schools: Jindal Global Law School, Jindal Global Business School, Jindal School of International Affairs, Jindal School of Government and Public Policy, Jindal School of Liberal Arts & Humanities, Jindal Institute of Behavioural Studies (JIBS), International Institute for Higher Education Research & Capacity Building (IIHEd).

State-of-the-art Global Library of JGU is housed in a centrally located and beautifully designed green building. Spacious reading halls, most modern IT infrastructure provide the right ambience for reading and research in the Library. The library also has a spacious lounge and reading hall which is open 24-hours. It provides a campus wide access to its catalog and e-resources through Wi-Fi technology. The library is developing a comprehensive collection of print, digital and media resources on law, business, international relations and public policy, arts, literature and humanities to fulfill the teaching, research and outreach needs of the five schools of the university. For more information on JGU and Global Library please visit the following links: [http://www.jgu.edu.in/library/](http://www.jgu.edu.in/library/)

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BBB is a SaaS Platform of Globally connected automated libraries, without cost to the libraries. Great place for book-lovers, authors, publishers and anyone connected to books in any way.

Networking libraries across the world on one aggregated platform, making books organized & easily reachable, thus facilitating global knowledge for all, BBB creates a transforming effect on education and thinking process, creating possibilities of new methods of delivering education.

This platform is a result of 4 years of research and validation at libraries across 15 countries, understanding their needs and concerns, resulting in creation of this platform that will provide the following value proposition: Libraries will get Free Automation & Maintenance; Librarians will be free of technology issues and be able to concentrate on their domain; Readers will get to know the nearest location of desired book/s.

**Venue & how to reach there**

The workshop will be held at JGU campus on Sonipat Narela Road, Sonipat. The campus is located off NH-1 on Delhi-Panipat section. Participants arriving from Delhi side should take left turn on Beeswa Mile / Sports School Rai intersection, and drive for about 3 km to reach the campus. Participants arriving from Panipat Side should take right turn at the above intersection. Cabs are available from the airport ISBT for the Campus. If you are travelling by public transport shared autos are available at Beeswa Mile. University buses are also available from Delhi at Haiderpur metro station.

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