

THE POSSIBILITY OF APPLICATION OF WAP IN THE LIBRARIES

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The last decade brought the growing by leaps and bounds of telecommunication. We can use the mobile phones not only phoning, but we can send SMS or take a digital picture, what we can send with MMS. With the 3G technology, we can use videophone service, so the callers are able to see each other during the call. Another telecommunication service is the WAP, which is a content-service just like the WWW, but the format of WAP pages are adjusted by mobile phone display.

The future of the libraries depends on the adoption of the new technologies. Today almost every people have mobile phone. Therefore it is very important, that the services of the libraries are in a position to appear on WAP.

In my lecture I will sketch out the basic of the WAP technology. I will show how we are able to make librarian WAP portal, and which services are realizable. Finally I will take stock of the possibility and the advantage of this technology in libraries.