



Opening underground stacks West

Captions

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NB_01.tif	Listed building: The Swiss National Library, opened in 1931, is the only library in Switzerland built in the “ <i>Neues Bauen</i> ” style (Architects: Alfred Oeschger, Emil Hostettler, Josef Kaufmann)..
NB_02.tif	The glass building connects the underground stacks to the library.
NB_03.tif	The historic reading room of the Swiss National Library combines spacious working areas in the “ <i>Neues Bauen</i> ” style with today’s technical comforts.
NB_04.tif NB_05.tif	Old and new together: The National Library’s main building clearly shows the difference between the coarse concrete of the original supports and ceiling and the fine concrete of the supports and the staircase that were added during the renovation.
NB_06.tif NB_07.tif	The Swiss National Library’s new underground stacks West. They will be open to the public on the open days on 29 and 30 August between 11am and 6pm.
NB_08.tif	The history of tomorrow is archived in the Swiss National Library’s two underground stacks. Picture: the new underground stacks West.
NB_09.tif	The colour design of the walls is meant to help orientation underground. Picture: underground stacks East.
NB_10.tif	The colour design of the walls is meant to help orientation underground. Picture: underground stacks West
NB_11.tif	The Swiss National Library’s stacks offer space for 140km of shelving on which to store publications and documents.