



Editorial

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It is with great pleasure that I present Volume 31, Issue 2 (July 2026) of the Ghana Library Journal (GLJ). This regular issue continues the journal's commitment to publishing rigorous and relevant scholarship that advances library and information science research while responding to emerging challenges and opportunities across Africa and beyond. The seven papers featured in this issue reflect the breadth of contemporary scholarship, covering organisational development, leadership, service quality, digital transformation, indigenous knowledge, scholarly communication, and information behaviour. Collectively, they demonstrate the evolving role of libraries as institutions that support learning, research, innovation, cultural preservation, and community development.

The issue opens with Adjei and Nti, who examine organisational commitment among UniMAC librarians during institutional transformation and highlight the importance of participatory leadership and staff recognition. Buhari, Idowu, and Bashorun explore leadership styles in Nigerian polytechnic libraries, showing how flexible leadership can strengthen service delivery. Tetteh, Aryee, and Aryeetey examine users' expectations of library services and offer practical guidance for improving quality, speed, flexibility, and dependability. Ocloo and King assess Ghanaian academic library websites before and after COVID-19, calling for stronger virtual services and a more effective online presence. Bakrin and Tunmibi investigate social media use in Nigerian federal university libraries and emphasise the need for strategic digital marketing and staff training. Agyemang and Gyambiby focus on indigenous knowledge preservation in Ghana, arguing that trust, community participation, and self-determination are as important as technology. The issue concludes with Atiso's study of the information needs of African American diaspora travellers to Ghana, offering useful insights for libraries, tourism professionals, and institutions supporting heritage tourism and cultural reconnection.

Beyond the scholarly contributions presented in this issue, I am delighted to announce another important milestone in the development of the Ghana Library Journal. On 21 July 2026, the journal will officially launch its Open Journal Systems (OJS) platform, marking a significant step towards strengthening our editorial workflows, enhancing transparency, improving author and reviewer experiences, and increasing the visibility and accessibility of the journal. This achievement reflects our continued commitment to international best practices in scholarly publishing and to providing an efficient, sustainable, and high-quality publishing environment for our contributors and readers. This important milestone would not have been possible without the generous support of Electronic Information for Libraries (EIFL) through its Diamond Open Access Journals programme.

We express our sincere appreciation to EIFL for the opportunity and support extended to the Ghana Library Journal to strengthen our editorial and publishing processes. Their partnership has enabled significant improvements in our publishing infrastructure and has positioned the journal to better serve the library and information science community in Ghana, Africa, and beyond. As always, I extend my heartfelt appreciation to our authors for entrusting the Ghana Library Journal with their work, to our reviewers for their invaluable expertise and dedication, and to the Editorial Board for their continued commitment to maintaining the quality and integrity of the journal. I also thank our readers and the wider library and information science community for their continued support.

We trust that the papers published in this issue will stimulate scholarly discussion, inform professional practice, and inspire further research that advances libraries, information services, and knowledge societies across Africa and the world.