Koha in Finnish Academic Libraries

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General Principles

- Reilu meininki with a tight schedule:
  - April 2018 decision to implement Koha
  - October 2018 first library in production
  - September 2019 last library in production (projected)
- Open
- Co-operative
  - Domestic and international co-operation
- Agile
- Able to replace old ILS in the current environment
- Ready for future developments
  - Try to keep with the international community
Co-operation Model for Academic Libraries

- Open alliance
  - Several partners
- Steering group
  - High-level steering
- Super user group
  - Representatives from participating libraries
  - Prioritization of development
- General Meetings
  - Open for all interested parties
Partners

- The National Library
  - Koha support and development
- CSC – It Center for Science Ltd
  - Framework agreement with the National Library
  - Agreements with libraries
  - Server and virtualization environment
- Koha-Suomi
  - Common codebase
  - Documentation
  - Issue tracking
Roles of National Library and CSC

- CSC provides expertise for the server environment
  - Operating systems
  - Backups
  - Security
  - Related support
  - Contracts with libraries

National Library takes care of Koha itself
- Coordination
- Development
- Implementation
- Support
- Co-operation with other partners
In Practice

- Currently 17 libraries, 5 in production
- 4 ½ developers in the National Library
  - Active development work locally and with Koha community
  - Support for participating libraries
  - Co-operation with public libraries, Finna discovery interface, Melinda central catalog etc.
- Open GitHub repository
- Email address for service requests
- Redmine for implementation support etc.
- Wikis for documentation, meeting notes etc.
- IRC channels for discussion
- Slack for internal communication
So, let’s do it together! Any questions?

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