





After its worldwide success with the Ideas Box, Libraries Without Borders (BSF) has created a new innovative tool - KoomBook: the digital library of the future. Both autonomous and ultra-portable, the KoomBook works without an internet connection to provide access to information and learning even in the most remote locations.

Roughly the size of a book, the KoomBook creates a wi-fi hotspot which the users can connect with their smartphones, tablets, or computers to access the thousands of educational and social resources for their training. The KoomBook can also be connected to a television or video projector for group activities.

Placed in a library, a school, a rural medical facility, or even at home, the KoomBook can allow up to 20 simultaneous users to connect and share information at the same time in a variety of formats such as text, audio, and video as well as through online classes. Once connected to the internet, the KoomBook automatically uploads all of the contents that were created while offline to the Ideas Cube.

## THE KOOMBOOK, IN A NUTSHELL



The KoomBook emits a close range wi-fi signal.



Users can connect to the wi-fi via their telephone, tablet or computer.



Users easily navigate the server through any existing web browser.



Users can browse content as well as download and upload their own content to be shared.



When the KoomBook is connected to the internet, it updates all locally created content to the cloud.



Comes with up to 5 hours of battery life!

# TONS OF CONTENT AND THOUSANDS OF DIFFERENT APPLICATIONS...

#### **BASIC SERVICES FOR LIBRAIRES**

The compact and lightweight KoomBook provides wireless access to thousands of educational and cultural resources such as **Wikipedia**, **Khan Academy**, **TEDtalks**, a curated selection from the **Gutenberg Library**, and thousands of other documents and videos. It also has a media center which allows users to locally upload documents and videos, allowing the community can continuously and permanently improve the core content.



#### **BLOCKS OF CONTENT BASED ON NEEDS**

EDUCATION / TRAINING
In Burundi, the KoomBook
responds to the problem of not having
access to educational resources for teachers.
The KoomBook contents complements
the academy programs planned by the
government. In the Kinshasa University
in DRC, the KoomBook facilitates access
to videos and exercises from the MOOC
programs such as Coursera and Fun.

JUSTICE AND LAW

In 2017, BSF and the Palerme University came together to create judicial contents adapted to address the newly arrived immigrants in Europe. These resources are accessible thanks to mobile KoomBooks For the retention centers or buildings that house immigrants in the Mediterranean

TRAINING LIBRARIANS
BSF Campus is the first interactive and 100% free training platform for French speaking librarians, created by BSF and accessible offline thanks to KoomBook. 100 video lessons organized in 6 courses allow for training in librarianship, cultural mediation, ICT, drive for innovation, project management and evaluation, as well as advocacy.

AND MUCH MORE | The possibilities with the KoomBook are endless and provide the ability to imagine and adapt to a wide variety of projects in several contexts. LWB is currently in discussion with several partners to create specific content that will respond to their as well as the user's needs.

#### THE KOOMBOOK IS AN OPEN SOURCE PROJECT!

Join the community on GitHub and learn to create your own KoomBook with the online document : www.gitbook.com/book/bsf/montage-koombook/details

### THE KOOMBOON KIT: A READY-TO-USE TOOL FOR LIBRARIES AND SCHOOLS

To respond to the lack of equipment or to use the KoomBook in schools, LWB proposes a modular kit composed of a KoomBook and tablets (up to 20). The kit comes in a robust and sturdy protective case that also doubles as a station to recharge all the tablets.

It can also be accompanied by a pico projector to project movies and educational resources.



1 KoomBook



2-20 tablets



1 pico projector (optional)



1 fly case

# DID YOU KNOW?



KOOMBOOK COMES FROM THE SWAHILI TERM KUMBUKA, WHICH MEANS TO REMEMBER.