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For better demarcation with the work of an colleague of Western European countries, a lecture of proceedings and even title are almost identical with those in former handbook "Parliamentary Library, Research and Information Services of Western Europe" (2000).

Our activities in 2nd half of the 90 are described in W. H. 9, 10 and 11 of E. Grevholm "Parliamentary Libraries and Research Services in Central and Eastern Europe" (1992). Emphatically can state that do a certain. I think this conference will show again how many ways can lead to one aim - in this case is the European Union.

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