#### **REPORT 2014**

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From the Report of the National and University Library of Bosnia and Herzegovina for the previous 2014 year derives an affirmative answer to a very important issue in the field of evaluation: is this library achieved its mission, or whether there is a social justification of its existence. Looking at the action of the Library, short or long term, it may be arguable that, in addition to data on the realized the amount of work from the sectors, there are also numerous effects of action that can not be expressed in quantitative terms but they are clearly visible and recognizable in the preservation and affirmation of the cultural heritage of Bosnia and Herzegovina; the development of information literacy and librarians and library users in Bosnia and Herzegovina; Users success in research and study; user satisfaction with various services that the Library offers daily; the advancement of librarianship as a profession; successfully completed projects in the field of culture, education and science, the interest of institutions to co-operate with the Library; representation of B&H in international professional associations and participation in international professional and scientific meetings and organizing national conferences. There are special affirmation and promotion of publishing projects of the Library, the promotion of projects which had international borders, such as marking the anniversary of the establishment of Astrid Lindgren Memorial Award. A special stamp in 2014 gave the marking for 69 anniversary of the Library, first held in the renovated building of the City Hall. Year 2014 marked the 22nd anniversary of the shelling of the Library (City Hall building) and the anniversary was attended by representatives of local and foreign associations and friends of the Library. The anniversary was also addressed by the representative of the Italian Embassy, the country that chaired the European Union (August 2014).

We worked on the popularisation of reading and the use of library services, tracked number of visits to site www.nub.ba and warned the national and international public and relevant factors in resolving the consequences of the status of this and six other cultural institutions of importance for B&H. This year is particularly marked by reconstruction of the building of the City Hall - home or the seat of the Library for many decades and the "fight" with the Administration of the City of Sarajevo with its use, which unfortunately, resulted in the court process.

The management and employees of the Library during 2014, as in all post-war years, despite the all situation efficiently and responsibly carried out, it is fair to say, much more than targeted and legally established obligations.

The relationship of the structures that could contribute to the normalization and improvement of the quality of services of the Library and the improvement of standards of employees and addressing the issue of legal and financial status of the institution, with the exception of some Ministers, is still ignorant.

Earlier this year, we lost a Steering Committee on which substitutes the work of the Expert Board of the Library. Management, professional and working staff of the Library, and to some extent the Federal Government and the Federal Ministry of Education and Science, part of the Sarajevo Canton Government and the Ministry of Education, Science and Youth of Sarajevo Canton gave their support and contribution to the work of the Library.

During the year Library was visited by many representatives of local and international organizations, including a number of ambassadors and representatives of embassies in B&H, and other senior officials in B&H. Office of the Director of the Library, in a very difficult and complex financial situation during 2014 coordinated and implemented a very complex business organization and management system of the Library, the representation and presentation of the Library, planning and programming development of organization and information system with quality assurance, media appearances in public, international cooperation, publishing activities, marketing and provision of material and financial resources for the effective operation of the Library.

In accordance with applicable laws and regulations, the Office of the Director of the Library continues with activities relating to the settlement of the legal and financial status of the Library. The positive shift in the direction of resolving the legal and financial status of the National and University Library of Bosnia and Herzegovina has not made any in 2014. He did not realize that he expects to get at least the means for basic needs of the institution from the grant of the Ministry of Civil Affairs and the Council of Ministers, to which the Library has relied in recent years. The positive exception is the decision of the Government of the Federation to grant through the help of the Library and other cultural institutions of importance for the country. Certainly, this is not nearly enough for a normal activity, but it is realistic to save the Library from closing. 2014 was characterized by "fight" with the Administration of the City of Sarajevo in relation to the management of the newly opened City Hall building, which also resulted in a lawsuit against the Board of the City of Sarajevo. But, despite everything, it can be said that the Library effectively fulfilled its basic tasks, and more in 2014.

In summarizing the results of the work and the overall efficiency of the National and University Library of Bosnia and Herzegovina for 2014, in addition to regular, statutory obligations, particularly worth is emphasizing the realization of a number of highly complex projects, referred to in the reports of the sector.

With the aim of popularizing books and reading, the Library is in its publishing activities completed significant projects and issued 12 publications, among which should be highlighted: indexed journal of the Library "Bosniaca" (no. 19), a bibliography of serial and monographic publications, and works from Memoria Mundi. Also, there are decisive and concrete steps in the field of digitization with donor and sponsor support of the Foundation for the Protection of the Cultural Heritage.

Unfortunately, due to financial constraints we were not able to attend book fairs in Frankfurt, Zagreb, Belgrade and Podgorica, but the publications of the Library were on the stand of the Association of Publishers and Booksellers of Bosnia and Herzegovina. The Library has actively participated in the Sarajevo Book Fair in Skenderija.

Media representation of all major events and activities of the Library (agency reporting, electronic and print media) contributed to the overall public assessment of the work of the Library. Our performances are accompanied in a number of regional and international media and every domestic media.

High marks for the implemented projects in incredibly difficult conditions are an additional motive for collective management of the Library to overcome all kinds of obstacles and the consistent continuation of professional work in a mission of culture, education and science and achieving the vision of B&H library of the future.

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#### Section for acquisition and cataloguing of monographs and periodicals

### **Department for Acquisition**

### Legal deposit

| Monographs                   | 1598 titles | 8316 books   |  |
|------------------------------|-------------|--------------|--|
| Serials                      | 391 titles  | 14207 copies |  |
| Doctoral and Master's theses | 411 titles  | 515 copies   |  |

### **Included in Library funds**

| Monographs                   | 1598 titles | 3914 books   |
|------------------------------|-------------|--------------|
| Serials                      | 391 titles  | 11026 copies |
| Doctoral and Master's theses | 177 titles  | 281 copies   |
| Special collections          | 17 titles   | 24 books     |

#### Legal deposit sent to other libraries

| Monographs                   | 1375 titles | 3437 books  |
|------------------------------|-------------|-------------|
| Serials                      | 136 titles  | 3171 copies |
| Doctoral and Master's theses | 234 titles  | 234 copies  |

| Exchange                                   | 484 titles  | 926 books         |
|--|-------------|-------------------|
| Gift to the Library                        | 255 titles  | 309 books         |
| Gift of the Library to other libraries     | 1327 titles | 1267 books        |
| Received material from exchange with other | 103 titles  | 103 books + 7 CDs |
| libraries                                  |             |                   |

# Department for cataloguing of monographs

| Revised books                | 3453 books           |
|------------------------------|----------------------|
| Signed books                 | 8578 books           |
| Inventoried books            | 9180 books           |
| Cataloged books              | 4201 books           |
| Classified books             | 3751 books           |
| Subjected books              | 1791 books           |
| List of duplicates           | 2718 books           |
| Editorial records            | 2026 records         |
| Send to the Department of    | 1352 books           |
| Bibliography                 |                      |
| Number of printed cataloging | 3494 cataloging card |
| cards                        |                      |
| Placed in catalog            | 3494 cataloging card |
| Printed labels               | 10991 labels         |

# CIP record

| 1425 CIP            |
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| 1425 CIP            |
| 1271 CIP            |
| 730 e-mails         |
| 600 application     |
| 700 cataloging card |
| 9 records           |
| 90 application      |
| 1425 CIP            |
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# Department for Ctalouging of Serials

| Received and recorded periodicals            | 391 titles    | 1137 years |
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| Received and registered gifts and exchanges  | 65 titles     | 65 years   |
| Revised domestic periodicals                 | 391 titles    | 1137 years |
| Revised foregian periodicals                 | 65 titles     | 65 years   |
| Revised old newspapers                       | 1 title       | 8 years    |
| Catalouging and classification of new titles | 85 new titles |            |
| Catalouging and classification of new        | 65 titles     |            |
| foregian titles                              |               |            |

| Revised records                     | 232 records |            |
|-------------------------------------|-------------|------------|
| Number of printed catalouging cards | 1246 labels |            |
| Users                               | 67          |            |
| Users of foregian fund              | 56          |            |
| Included in Library fund            | 457 titles  | 1246 years |

This Department also worked on preparation of old newspaper for digitization.

## ISSN Center of B&H

| New ISSN                  | 173 |
|---------------------------|-----|
| Printed serials           | 91  |
| Online serials            | 80  |
| CD-ROM serials            | 2   |
| CIP record for serial     | 5   |
| % CRE                     | 168 |
| % REP                     | 129 |
| UDC                       | 253 |
| Key titles                | 168 |
| Short key titles          | 168 |
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| Recomanded abb.           | 53  |
| Revised                   | 296 |
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| Deleted records           | 52  |

Total number of records in ISSN Register: 2926 records