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Mission

The National and University Library in Zagreb has a dual mandate – it is the national library of Croatia as well as the main library of the University of Zagreb. The Library is responsible for collection, cataloguing, processing, archiving, protection, long-term preservation and making available to the public its entire collection and especially the national collection *Croatica* that is acquired on the basis of legal deposit copy. As the major research library of the University of Zagreb, the Library also collects and stores foreign literature. The Library performs scientific, research and development activities with the aim to support, organise and develop the library system of the Republic of Croatia.

Legal status and management

Founded and financially supported by the Croatian government the Library reports to the Ministry of Science and Education and the Ministry of Culture. The current Law on Libraries dates from 1997.

The chief executive is the director general and the Governing board consists of nine members, representing the Ministry of Science and Education, Ministry of Culture and the Library.

New organisational scheme has been implemented in February 2016. This enabled the improvement of workflows and increased performance. The new organisational chart is enclosed.

Major achievements and general overview of activities

All the fundamental library activities were continued. Some important achievements are listed below.

The new strategy (for the period 2016-2020) was prepared and implemented.

The system and portal Digital Collections of the National and University Library in Zagreb (<http://digitalna.nsk.hr/>) was launched. This enables better management of digital collections.

The Library with its partners continues to work on the creation of the network of digital repositories. The Digital Repository of the University of Zagreb (<http://repozitorij.unizg.hr>) was established.

The preparations and tests for the establishment of the Union Catalogue of Libraries in the System of Science and University Education were performed.

Some projects need to be singled out:

- The Library is in charge of the five-year project Increase of access to electronic resources of scientific and technical information (E-resources) which was launched in November. The project supports the Croatian scientific and academic community and is financed by European Social Fund.
- The Library participated in EU financed project E-School
- Participation in the national project: Creation, publishing and maintenance of national cataloguing rules
- The Library is in charge of the project Application of ISO standards for electronic collection, reporting and archiving of statistical data for all types of libraries
- The Library has launched and leads the project Green Library for Green Croatia.

Cooperation with national and international institutions

The cooperation with national and international institutions continues. The Library and its staff participate in numerous European and international organisations, networks and projects including: IFLA, CENL, CDNL, LIBER and so on.

The Library regularly contributes data to international identifier networks (ISBN, ISMN, ISSN), but also VIAF, the European Library, Europeana and others. As a member of DART-Europe, the Library facilitated the inclusion of metadata from the repositories of four Croatian universities.

The Library coordinated the international project Collections of South and East Europe in Europeana (CSEEE) in cooperation with the European Library.

Conferences, cultural events, exhibitions, publications

The Library organised eight conferences and meetings, alone and with partners. The following deserve special mention: 6th Festival of Croatian digitisation projects and 2nd international conference Book and Society.

Representatives of the Library actively participated at numerous events in Croatia and abroad and gave presentations.

The activities also include organisation of lectures, book promotions, exhibitions, celebrations and other events like: 200th birth anniversary of Ivan Kukuljević

Sakcinski, Burnum – Archaeological Treasure of the Krka River, 450th anniversary of battle of Siget.

The Library publishes national bibliographies (available online at <http://bibliografija.nsk.hr>) and other print and electronic publications: catalogues, manuals, instructions, guides and so on.

Key facts and figures for 2016

Acquisitions:

19,616 items of books

14,108 journal issues

30,384 newspaper issues

Users:

11,316 users registered during the year

Over 1,000,000 visits to digital contents

Over 9,300 registered user on Library's social networks

Staff:

300 people, about two thirds are library staff

Budget:

11.3 million EUR¹

¹ The Library budget remained unchanged; the increase is due to 3.6 million EUR allocated through the ESF project for the subscription of electronic resources the Croatian scientific and academic community.