



## **The National and University Library**

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### **SPECIAL TOPICS 1998 -1999**

Croatian National and University Library has been developed since its origins taking into account both its national function - the preservation of the national heritage and university function - the central library of the University of Zagreb (f. 1669.)

The Library is managed by the Managing Board.

By the end of the year dr. Josip Stipanov has been appointed the new general director.

According to the library policy law and its new organisation scheme there are vacant positions for the directors of the National Library Division and the director of the University Library Division.

The future organisational plans also include major organisational changes considering the fact that the library has moved to the new premises and that the majority of spacious reading rooms have open shelves book access.

The library is organised in 14 departments including technical, administrative and public relations department, having 273 full-time staff members.

The majority of professional librarians are involved in users services, which occupy 7 floors of the library.

### **MAJOR INNOVATIONS DURING THE YEAR**

Purchasing the additional tables and chairs for the reading rooms.

### **FINANCE AND FUNDING**

In 1998. the state budget allocations for the National and University Library were 5,115,994 EUR. With various services the library had earned additional 6,43% of the total budget and on staff salaries the library spent 2,134,266 .-EUR.

## **LEGAL STATUS**

The library is founded and financially supported by the Croatian government and it reports to the Ministry of Culture and The Ministry of Science and Technology.

## **ROLE OF THE NATIONAL LIBRARY IN THE NATIONAL LIBRARY NETWORK**

During 1998. the efforts of NUL has been focused on networking 10 Croatian libraries who use CROLIST programme on UNIX platform.

The main reason for such decision was to enable other libraries to use the possibility of shared cataloguing.

## **LEGAL DEPOSIT OF MATERIALS**

The new Library Law concerning the legal deposit copy has been passed in 1997.

The bill covers also works published without regard to the medium used for production, meaning that it includes audiovisual material and digital publications.

## **BUILDING AND PLANT**

After residing for more than 80 years, in the building erected in 1913, the Library has moved to the new premises in 1995. It occupies 36,478 m<sup>2</sup> of floor area, and user services are organised on 7 floors.

## **ACQUISITIONS**

In order to plan acquisition and its budget and allocate the funds the Acquisition commission meets every month and decides the acquisition list for the next period.

The main legal task for the National and University Library is to build a comprehensive collection of national imprint.

Croatian Literature ( major data )

### *Books*

<b>Legal deposit</b>	<b>Exchanged</b>	<b>Donated</b>	<b>Purchased</b>	<b>TOTAL</b>
<b>3,961 titles</b>	<b>356 titles</b>	<b>4,595 titles</b>	<b>3,074 titles</b>	<b>13,089</b>

### *Periodicals*

<b>Legal deposit</b>	<b>Exchanged</b>	<b>Donated</b>	<b>Purchased</b>	<b>TOTAL</b>
<b>1,500 titles</b>	<b>745 titles</b>	<b>397 titles</b>	<b>786 titles</b>	<b>3,428</b>

*Newspapers*

**TOTAL**

<b>Legal deposit</b>	<b>Exchanged</b>	<b>Donated</b>	<b>Purchased</b>	<b>TOTAL</b>
<b>193 titles</b>	<b>/</b>	<b>/</b>	<b>/</b>	<b>193</b>

*Audio-visual materials*

<b>Legal deposit</b>	<b>Exchanged</b>	<b>Donated</b>	<b>Purchased</b>	<b>TOTAL</b>
<b>677 titles</b>	<b>/</b>	<b>/</b>	<b>/</b>	<b>677</b>

*Foreign Language Sources*

	<b>Exchanged</b>	<b>Donated</b>	<b>Purchased</b>	<b>TOTAL</b>
<i>Books</i>	<b>350 titles</b>	<b>1,679 titles</b>	<b>1,787</b>	<b>3,816 titles</b>
<i>Periodicals</i>	<b>745</b>	<b>397</b>	<b>786</b>	<b>1,928 titles</b>
<i>CDROM database</i>	<b>33</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>49</b>	<b>89</b>

*Some of the outstanding new acquisition:*

**BECCADELLI , Ludovico**

*Vita Reginaldi Poli, Britanni, S.R.E. cardinalis, et Cantuariensis archiepiscopi / Ludovico Becatello.*

*Venetis : ex officina Dominici Guerrei et Ioan Baptistae fratrum,1563.- 48 pages 4° ( 20x 15 cm) : illustr.*

**BIBLIANDER, Theodorus**

*Machumetis Saracenorum principis, eiusque successorum vitae, ac doctrina, ipseque Alcora... opera et studio Theodori Bibliandri ; ex Arabica lingua in Latinum*

*transferricuravit... ( per euridem Robertum Reteneroi et Hermannum Dalmatam )  
Basillae : s.n., 1543) 4° 3 vol in 1 ; 178 pages;*

**DANILO, Ivan**

*Prete Matteo Santric ; preposito del Capitolo metropolitano di Zara. Zara, Tip. Demarchi  
Rougier, 1858, 8°, 38 pages.*

**FORTUNIO, Ivan Franjo**

*Regole grammaticalli della volgar lingua / di messer Francesco Fortunio novellamente  
reviste, et con somma diligentia emendate. Stampate in Vinegia : per Francesco Bindoni e  
Matheo Pasini compagni, nel 1539.- 52 pages : illustr ; 8° ( 15 x 10 cm)*

**MARULIC, Marko**

*Evangelistarium. Venetiis, Industria ac suma diligentia Fransisci de' Consortibus  
Lucensis, impensis Melchioris Sessae, 1516. 8° (5) + 150 pages*

**PETRIS, Franjo**

*La milita romana di Polibio di Tit Livio e di Dionigi Alicarnaseo. Da Frances Patricii  
dictionata e con varie figure illustrata.  
In Fearrara, Per Domenico Mamarelli, 158 , 8°, (6)+92 pages + tables*

**VEZDIN, Ivan Filip**

*De veteibus Indos dissertation in qua cavillationes auctori alphabeti Tibetani Castigantur.  
A. L. Paulino a S. Bartolomiaes...  
Romae ; ( s.n.) 1795. 4° ; 54, (1) ( 13 pages)*

**ZUALLART, Jan**

*Il devotissimo viaggio di Gerulaseme. Fatto et descritto in sei libri dal Sig. r. Giovanni  
Zuallardo...l'anno 1586. Aggiuntovi i disegni di varii luoghi di Terra Santa et altri paesi  
intagliati da Natale Bonifacio Dalmata. ( 1<sup>st</sup> ed.)  
Stampato in Roma : per F. Zanetti, et Gia. Ruffinelli, 1587. 4° (20), 402 pages, (10)*

## **CONSERVATION/PRESERVATION OF COLLECTIONS**

*Most preservation work consisted of microfilming older croatian newspapers (19<sup>th</sup> and the  
first half of the 20<sup>th</sup> c.) from which 8,140 shots has been taken and additionally 40,383  
shots and 210 volumes from Special Collections.*

*Curative preservation (lamination) has been carried out on older croatian newspapers -  
9,831 pages, as well as 17,264 book pages.*

*Using manual technique of curative restoration 1,778 pages of manuscripts and books have  
been restored.*

*The bindery produced 1,168 new bindings, and 1,005 bindings for maps and boxes, and  
10,607 books have been rebound.*

## **IT AND NEW TECHNOLOGY**

*Our Homepage address is: <http://www.nsk.hr>*

*email address is: [nsk@nsk.hr](mailto:nsk@nsk.hr)*

*The library has webmaster editorial board which is responsible for planning and maintaining the web pages.*

### **SERVICES TO THE READERS**

*In 1998 the Library had 25,326 registered users. On the average there were 2,000 to 2,500 visits per day. The majority of users (70%) are undergraduate students, and the rest are postgraduate students, researches or faculty staff and general public. The library is opened for the public 72 hours per week, 300 days per year.*

*There are 1,088 readers seats in the reading rooms with the 11,040 m of open access shelving.*

*The closed stack has additionally 135,000 m of shelving. The readers have 115 workstation-PC's in the local network.*

#### **Information services**

*The librarians have helped the readers in answering 54,171 various inquiries.*

*There have been provision of 18,584 ready reference information, and additionally 11,681 bibliographic searches of various kind.*

*The interest in subject searches grew considerably and there were 23,906 different searches ( from [CROLIST](#) database, subject card catalogue, various CD ROM databases, Science Citation, Medline, Current Contents, DIALOG , Internet etc..)*

#### **Reading rooms**

*The reading room for Humanities and Social Sciences occupy the 3<sup>rd</sup> floor, and the reading room for Natural sciences, technical and applied sciences is situated on the 4<sup>th</sup> floor.*

*The open access collection grew in the previous year by 7,706 titles. The users used 133,320 volumes from the open access and had ordered from the closed stack 44,377 volumes additionally .*

*On the 4<sup>th</sup> floor the library offers 10 study rooms-carrels which were used by 639 users throughout the year.*

*The only closed reading room with numbered seats is situated on the 3<sup>rd</sup> floor providing the collection access for newspapers and croatian books older than 50 years.*

*Throught this reading room 46,717 volumes has been used from the closed stack.*

*Dissertation and master thesis reading room had 601 users, which has ordered 677 thesis from the collection.*

*There are some special collections in the open access - Collection of official publication and depositories of WTO, UNESCO, World Bank, Council of Europe, General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade (GATT) Food and Agriculture Organisation of the United Nations (FAO) etc.*

*Current periodicals reading room offer open access to 803 foreign periodical titles and 349 croatian periodical titles .*

*Special collections reading rooms had 1,624 readers and has ordered 7,612 various non-book materials (prints and drawing, maps, printed music etc.)*

### *Circulation*

*Throughout the year there were 116,046 books in circulation.*

### *Interlibrary loan*

*The National and University Library received 1,261 interlibrary loan request 1,038 of them have been supplied. From the total interlibrary requests 36% of those requests referred for books and 63% for photocopies from periodicals.*

*The international library loan received 2,882 requests from which the majority of 2,327 have been supplied by the BLDSC and DBI link.*

### *Guided tours*

*The library organises a guided tours for the visitors, which lasts usually 11 hour. During the last year there have been 2,787 visitors to the library , or 219 groups. Majority were student groups.*

*For 11,424 readers the librarians and library assistants provided basic OPAC instruction on individual base.*

*Special Collections in their reading rooms provided 20,398 microfilm shots and 23,494 paper copies.*

## **EXHIBITIONS**

*The library has organised eight (8) exhibitions which were dedicated to important anniversaries, or relevant international celebrations, for example 200<sup>th</sup> birthday anniversary in Croatia of the polish poet Adam Mickiewicz (1798-1855), with the support of the Embassy of Republic Poland in Zagreb, or 500<sup>th</sup> birthday anniversary of miniaturist Jurja Julijo Klovic, or Human Rights, economic liberalisation and governance in cooperation with the British Council in Zagreb, or New Alexandria in collaboration with the l'Institut Francaise in Zagreb.*

## **PUBLISHING**

### *Bibliographies and catalogues*

*The library regularly publishes the following current bibliographies:*

- *The National Bibliography of Books (12 issues per year)*
- *The National Bibliography of Articles (12 issues per year)*
- *The National Bibliography of Serials (semi- annually)*
- *Croatian Retrospective Bibliography (1835 -1940) vol. 23*
- *Catalogue of Manuscripts of the National and University Library - vol. 5*
- *Catalogue of the Foreign Serials in the National and University Library 5<sup>th</sup> edition*

*The same information is publicly accessible through NUL Homepage at <http://www.nsk.hr> ( CROLIST)*

#### *Exhibition Catalogues*

- *Adam Mickiewicz: Celebration of 200<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the poet's birth in the Republic of Croatia*
- *The view from outside : Croatia and the Fall of Yugoslavia*
- *German Historical Books in the National and University Library*
- *The most beautiful books of the world. The Frankfurt Book Fair 7-12. October, 1998. Competition.*

#### **CATALOGUING AND OTHER TECHNICAL PROCESSES**

*Supported by the CROLIST Croatian Library Information System, the technical and organisational steps for the cooperative cataloguing in Croatia has been under way. The translation of the ISBD(ER) is finished but it has not been published in 1998. The cataloguing of electronic documents would follow this international standard for bibliographic description.*

#### **LIBRARY CO-OPERATION**

- *In 1998. the Library became the full member of the CENL.*
- *The Croatian contribution to UNESCO's Index Translationum has been in 1998. 909 books translated from foreign languages to Croatian language.*
- *In the near future the library expects to sign the membership contract with the OCLC, mainly for the purposes of the interlibrary loan and export of current cataloguing data for the WorldCat.*
- *CERL*
- *Coordination of UNIMARC/ISSN/ISBN*
- *IFLA Survey of the Section on Library Buildings and Equipment*
- *IFLA Offices for UAP and International Interlending*
- *IFLA Discussion Group on Reference Work*

#### **STAFFING MATTERS**

*The Library has 273 full time staff equivalent, 103 of them are academic librarians, and 80 assistant librarians. Preservation/Restauration Department has 22 employees.*

*Several librarians are preparing their master thesis in librarianship and two are preparing their doctoral degree under the financial support of the library.*

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