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1. General overview of recent major developments at the reporting library.

For investment projects submitted to the Programme „Cetinje – the city of culture“ that was funded from the capital budget, and in accordance with the plan of public procurement in 2014, the sum of 483,801.55 € was granted to the National library for reconstruction works.

The National library also supplied project documentation for restoration and repairment of the building of ex-French embassy in Cetinje, and for its adaptation to the needs of the future Museum of books. The amount spent on these designs was 30,000 € and it was granted through donation of the Task Force on Culture and Society of the Regional Cooperation Council – RCCTFCS). It is an organisation established by the European Commission and the Council of Europe aiming to promote co-operation in the field of protection of cultural heritage in Southeast Europe. The year before National library competed for funds through project call within RCCTFCS' programme „Ljubljana process II – rehabilitation of our common heritage“.

Planned activities in the project Virtual library were successful; in the first nine months of 2014 there were intense training activities for Montenegrin librarians to enable them to work with the new generation of COBISS library system - COBISS 3.

Library of the Faculty of Architecture from Podgorica became the full member of COBISS.CG system.

The National library signed a contract with IZUM, Slovenia for leasing of computer infrastructure for COBISS.CG. IZUM agreed to secure computer infrastructure necessary for functioning of the system and its central services, for hosting of co-operative and local databases, and for hosting of other databases, interfaces, portals, COBISS/OPAC, and other components of the COBISS.CG system.

Main events in the National library this year were dedicated to celebration of 520 years from printing „Octoechos of the First Tone“, the first Cyrillic book in Southeast Europe. The National library has organised several programmes to promote and valorise this event, important for the history and culture of Montenegro. Central events were Ceremony in the Royal theatre „Zetski dom“ and exhibition „Graphical map Octoechos 1494-2014“ by renown visual artist Dimitrije Popović.

During 2014, the National library undertook various activities aiming at creation of digital collections of the national significance, taking into account content of the available library material and implementing the national programme for digitization in libraries.

Through the UNESCO Participation Programme 2014/2015 the National library realised the project „Media and Information Literacy – strategy and training“. The NLM team (Jelena Đurović, Gordana Ljubanović, Vesna Kovačević) designed a multi sectoral project that involved representatives from ministries of culture, education and information society, as well as school and public librarians.

The National library sent applications for grants through Programme of protection and preservation of cultural goods for the amount of 105,000.00 €, but was granted only 42.000 €. It realised the following projects: Conservation and restoration of damaged old periodicals; Production of leather and half-leather bindings for periodicals; Digitization of significant books for the history of Montenegro; Publishing a bilingual study „Italian embassy in Cetinje“; Technical and technological equipping of the Conservation and restoration laboratory; Acquisition of missing books; Professional training and continuous education.

The National library took part in the project of the ministry of culture „Revalorisation of cultural goods of Montenegro“ because it keeps two mobile cultural goods of the national significance: newspapers „The Montenegrin“ (1871-1872) and „The Voice of Montenegrin“ (1873-1915).

The peak of publishing activities was the bibliophile edition in 100 copies of the „Graphical map Octoechos 1494-2014“, each signed by the author.

In 2014, the following issues of the national current bibliography were published online: Montenegrin bibliography : monographs : 2004; Montenegrin bibliography : monographs : 2011; Montenegrin bibliography : articles in periodicals and proceedings papers : 2013.

Other published titles: Catalogue of the Graphical Map Octoechos;, Bio-bibliography of Marija Adžić, by Milorad Milović; Annual report of NLM (pdf on the Library website); Guide through the French embassy; Bibliography of periodicals 1995-2010, by Vesna Kovačević.

In 2014 the National library presented its project „Digital collection Petar II Petrović Njegoš“ that was realised in connection with celebration of 200 years from the birth of the great poet, philosopher and ruler. The project was presented in numerous Montenegrin cities and abroad, at the international Conference on digitization of scientific and cultural heritage, in Belgrade. The National television produced 30 min programme about the project and broadcast it on its Satellite channel.

The international co-operation was realised with leading library and other associations: IFLA, LIBER, CDNL, ISBN, ISSN, UNESCO. The Library participated in TEL and Europeana, and its representatives took part in working groups of TEL (LCG and TCG) and in Europeana Network Association.

2. The reporting library's relationship to government, citation of legislation which sets out the library's mandate, and any other legislation which directly or indirectly affects the library's operations

There were three meetings of the Library Council. The first was to constitute the new Council (20th January 2014); the second to adopt the Report on NLM 2013 and Working Programme 2014 (17th February 2014); and the third to adopt the new price list for Library services, to annul the Rulebook on honoraria in the NLM (from 2005), and to return for review the Rulebook on organization and job descriptions in the National library of Montenegro.

3. Key facts and figures (size of major collections, number of staff, total operating budget, etc).

The National library of Montenegro „Đurđe Crnojević“ in 2014 enriched its collections with some 4,000 titles of various publications and in numerous copies. There were 3,051 monographs. Great deal of these titles came as legal copies, gifts and purchases. Thanks to exchange with foreign libraries and universities the NLM acquired more than 1,000 new book, serials and e-publications titles for its collections.

Thanks to notices of claim, there was increased accession, compared with the previous year. Through the legal copy, from Montenegrin publishers the NLM acquired: 1,343 titles of monographs (5,387 copies); 42 (64) CDs; 63 (61) CDRs (other than music); 20 CDs (e-journals); and 11 DVDs (films).

Some 132 individual and 66 institutional givers presented the NLM with 793 monographs. A specially valuable gift was great art collection „Iconotheca Valvasoriana“, presented to the NLM by ex-president of Slovenia Milan Kučan on behalf of the Slovene Academy of Arts and Sciences.

Due to very high postal costs, the exchange in the first half of the year was limited to chosen priority libraries: from the region (especially from ex-Yugoslav republics), the British library, the German institute from Regensburg, Austrian national library, Library of Congress and Slovenska knihovna (Czech Republic).

Table: International exchange in 2014

	Received		Sent
monographs	365	monographs	238
periodicals	384	periodicals	137

During the International Book Fair in Podgorica the NLM has bought titles noted as desiderata. These were 73 titles missing from the Montenegrina collection.

The Library has also purchased three old and rare books for the Collection of old and rare books. These were: „Book of prayers for lunatics“ (end of XV, or beginning of XVI century); „Gospel“ (2nd half of XVII century); „Psalter“ (1790).

Total number of new bibliographic records in e-catalogue was 12,726. There were 7,208 records for monographs, 5,427 for articles, and 60 for periodicals. In the local NLM database at

the end of 2014 there was a total of 204,750 records.

CIP and ISBN

There were 1,145 CIP records (1,092 for monographs, 30 for periodicals, 3 for maps, 7 for music CDs, 8 for CDRs, and 5 for printed music). A total of 1,110 ISBNs was assigned and 91 publishers was included to the database at the end of 2014. There were 1,011 bar codes produced.

The National library had 82 employees at the end of 2014.

Annual Library budget was 1,004 746.09€.

4. New developments in creating and building collections.

The instalment of application for automatic creation of web view of current bibliography files was enabled by automatic conversion of listings from the COBISS database of current bibliographies. These listings consist of more than one html files and are the material for creation of web issues of current bibliography. This transfer means that there is no more need for paper printing of edited manuscripts and it has brought significant money savings.

5. New developments in managing collections.

In the last year there were 1,211 desiderata – missing titles in Montenegrina collection.

Thanks to notices of claim, the Library acquired 539 titles of monographs (1,510 copies).

Thanks to the „Public work“ programme that engaged young unemployed graduates, and with constant presence of library professionals, certain collections in the main depot were moved and reorganised:

1. Arrangement of Monumenta Montenegrina Series (collection of multiplicates)
2. Arrangement of the gift from the Hague Tribunal (1,308 copies)
3. Control and arrangement of Montenegrina collections – monographs (930 titles)
4. Preparation of gift packages of professional journal „Bibliographic Herald of the National library“ for other Montenegrin libraries (65 numbers, 3,185 copies)
5. Arrangement of the shelf number V (V 83531-V 128485)
6. Arrangement and evidence of volumes of the daily news „Politika“, gift from the City library of Cetinje.

Stocktaking in the NLM was continued through reorganisation of storage of books and periodicals in the main depot, of the national collection Montenegrina, and of the other special collections in the building of the ex-French embassy.

The stress was on the Museal department. There was finished reorganisation and relocation of Montenegrin journals (1945-2009) in the same way as it had been previously done with Montenegrin newspapers. Because of lack of space, it was decided to permanently remove Montenegrin journals younger than 1946 to the main library depot.

6. New developments in providing access to collections.

Co-operative catalogue of Montenegrin libraries COBIB.CG at: <http://vbcg.vbcg.me> was visited 106,103 times; local NLM's OPAC was searched 38,223 times; and the database on

Montenegrin libraries COLIB.CG - 1,607 times.

The Digital bibliography of Montenegro 1494-1994 raised significant interest. In 2014 it had 3,118 visits.

Circulation data showed that almost all publications that were borrowed were returned afterwards. Lending service was realised with accompanying request forms. Users may use photocopying and scanning services in the Library. There were cca 17,789 photocopies and 832 scans in 2014.

Usage of library material

Circulation	
Books	4,500
Periodicals	2323 vol.
Newspapers	2023 vol.
Reference services (bibliographic, list catalogue, COBISS, etc. information)	5920
Information by phone, e-mail	606
Photocopying on behalf of users	17,739 A4 +50 A3
Scanning on behalf of users	832

Usage of library material in the Museal department

Users	21
Visits	30
Circulation	
Books	328
Periodicals	38 vol.
Newspapers	160 vol.
Archival boxes from the dr Pero Šoć legacy collection	14 boxes and the registry
Information	178
Photocopying	60

7. Examples of collaboration between the reporting library and other national collecting institutions (libraries, archives and museums).

The National library has participated in the Programme for encouraging cultural development of Nikšić that lasted from January till December 2014. It contributed the following programmes: exhibition „Works of the King Nikola I – Nikola I, master and poet“; exhibition „Theatrical posters of Dimitrije Popović“; exhibition „Shakespeare in the National library“; exhibition „Foreigners on Montenegro“; promotion of the „Digital collection Petar II Petrović Njegoš“; and promotion of the „Digital Montenegrin bibliography“.

Department for development of the library network has paid professional visits to 21 public library and the University library of Montenegro, and produced reports on their current state and work.