

ANNUAL REPORT TO CENL 2016

The Slovak National Library/ Slovenská národná knižnica

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Key Facts and Figures

Collections (Library Collections, Literary Archives Collections, Collections of SNL's Museum)	5 779 185
Total Operating Budget in 2016	10 913 471 €
Average Number of Employees in 2016	308

General Overview of Recent Major Activities

As a state budget organization, The Slovak National Library and Ministry of Culture of Slovak Republic sign an annual contract which defines major goals of the year to be accomplished. The contract covers and quantifies all major activities of the Library. The following table defines and compares the contracted indicators for the year 2016 and the actual numbers reached by the SNL during the contracted period.

Contracted Activity	Indicator	Contracted Value of the Indicator in 2016	The Actual Value of the Indicator Reached in 2016
Library-specific Activities			
Acquisition (Purchase)	Number of Units	1 500	2 367
Circulations	Number of Units	100 000	146 069
Active Users	Number of Individuals	9 000	8244
Visitors of the Library	Number of Individuals	50 000	68463
All the acquisition was catalogued automatically	Number of Units		29 172
Activities Related to the SNL's Museums			
Temporary Exhibitions	Number of Exhibitions	4	4
Cultural and Educational Events and Programs	Number of Activities	15	17

Professional Treatment of Museum Collections	Number of Museum Units	600	602
Activities of Literary Archives of SNL			
Research Services	Number of Researchers	620	1 015
Loans from the Literary Archives Collections	Number of Archival documents	40 000	60 019
Scientific Research			
Research Tasks	Number of Research Tasks	9	10
Publishing the Outcomes of the Research	Number of Publications	3	4
Generating Electronic Databases (Bibliographical, Biographical)	Number of Documents Processed	2 500	2 846
Organizing Scientific Events	Number of Events	4	4
Activities Related to Sustainability of the National Project <i>Digital Library and Digital Archives</i>			
Digitization of Written Cultural Heritage	Number of Objects	40 000	40 000
Conservatory Collections	Number of Objects	36 300	36 300
Historical Prints and Collections	Number of Objects	2 000	2 000
Archival Documents from Literary Archives of SNL	Number of Objects	1 350	1 350
Posters and Book Collections of Literary Museum of SNL	Number of Objects	350	350
Cleaning, Conservatory and Restoration Activities of Collections	Number of Objects	45 000	51 564
Conservatory Collections	Number of Objects	41 650	44 064
Historical Prints and Collections	Number of Objects	2 000	3 882
Archival Documents from Literary Archives of SNL	Number of Objects	1 350	1 764

Library Related Legislation

The SNL main activities are defined by in the Library Act, No. 126/2015 and in the SNL's Memorandum. The SNL was established on July 1st, 2000 after separation from Matica slovenska. The SNL's headquarters is located in Martin, Slovakia. The SNL also constitutes The Literary Museum (Martin, Slovakia) and Slavic Museum of A. S. Pushkin (Brodzany, Slovakia) which are inseparable part of the SNL.

Based on Act. No. 535/2003 on Legal Deposits SNL receives two copies of all periodical and non-periodical publications published in Slovakia.

New Developments in Creating and Building Collections

In 2016 the SNL's collections were complemented by the usual acquisition means: legal deposit, domestic purchase, foreign purchase, gifts and international exchange.

Acquisition in 2016	Number of Non-periodical Documents Acquired	Number of Periodical Documents Acquired
Legal Deposits	17 380	6 611
Gifts	579	193
International Document Exchange	647	303
Foreign Purchase	1 373	232
Domestic Purchase	761	1
Reserve Funds	1 057	31
Free Purchase	0	1
TOTAL	21 800	7 372

In 2016 the SNL cooperated with 158 active international exchange partners from all over the world and contacts with four new partners were established. 1 483 documents were purchased and sent to the exchange partners to help them develop their collections.

Fiscal Resources Spent on Acquisition

Domestic Purchase	52 291,66 €
Foreign Purchase	23 013,30 €
Purchase for International Document Exchange	18 319,73 €
TOTAL	93 624,69 €

New Developments in Managing Collections

Implementation of the National Project *Digital Library and Digital Archives* in 2014 and 2015 improved the processes related to the management of the collections significantly. At the beginning of 2016 the most valuable conservatory collections were moved to the newly reconstructed stocks (3 levels of SNL's stock building) where the conditions meet the strict criteria for storing the historical documents and collections.

To prepare the documents for digitization 51 564 objects were cleaned, restored, or conserved.

Managing Collections	Number of Units
Document Restoration (Books, Manuscripts, Photo Albums...)	329
Sheet Restoration (Graphics, Photos, Maps...)	301
Paper Refilling (Paper Replenishing - Wet Technology)	3 437
Paper Firming	320
New Protective Cases/ Packaging for Restored Documents	300
Dismantling and Mechanical Cleaning of Sheets	14 825
Aqueous Neutralization (Sheets)	9 479
Sheet Restoration by Japanese Paper	12 029
Newspaper Lamination by Filmoplast R	161
Passe-partout	11
Cleaning Fragments	69
Document Disinfection (n-butanol)	138
Document Sterilisation (ethylenoxid)	27 607

New Developments in Access Services and Digital Library Developments

Digital Library of the SNL presents a significant shift in making the digital content accessible to the public. The digital library <http://dikda.snk.sk> allows users to search and study full-text versions of digitised documents in the SNL premises. The digital content is continually ingested into the Digital Library of the SNL and public is informed on new additions on a weekly basis via SNL's website www.snk.sk.

By Dec 31st, 2016 the Digital Library of the SNL included

Full-text Periodical Digital Objects	106 519
Analytically Processed Periodical Digital Objects	59 048 (more than 800 000 articles derived)
Full-text Digital Monographs	27 000
Digitized Special Documents	12 462

The ultimate goal of the Digital Library of the SNL is to minimize the volume of physical document circulation and encourage public to use the digital copies of documents to protect their analogue originals.

New Digitisation Developments

In the second half of the year 2016, the SNL started to develop a new software tool that should cover an automation of digitization processes following the PSP generation. The application will help increase effectivity and transparency as well as improve digital data registration of digitization line products. In general, the automation will include continuing processing of digitized data and their derivatives to the parallel systems like Central Data Archives, CAIR, Rosetta, which will enable continual data release from WorkFlow Disk Space. It will enable eventual reprocessing of digitized objects in various formats. The application should involve statistics features making provision for specific types of digitization products. Nevertheless, the application should monitor activity of digitization systems and repositories.

International Collaboration with Partner Organisations

The SNL is an active member of various international organizations including: IFLA, CENL, CDNL, CERL, ICOM, ISBN, and ISMN. The SNL's director general, Katarina Kristofova, is a member of CENL's Executive Committee and a member of IFLA's National Libraries Standing Committee.

The SNL systematically works on developing the bilateral relationships with partners abroad. In November 2016, the SNL participated on the bilateral project with National Library of Norway with the following goals:

- 1) Mutual know-how exchange in the field of digitization and making the digitized content accessible to public.
- 2) Searching for opportunities to develop cooperation in various areas of library activities.
- 3) Exploring the cultural connection between Norway and Slovakia via political activities of Bjørnstjerne Bjørnson.