

MARTYNAS MAPOVYDAS NATIONAL LIBRARY OF LITHUANIA ANNUAL REPORT 2003

FINANCE AND FUNDING

The Library's budget in 2003 was 21 303 300 Litass (6 169 800€). 96,36% of the allocations were made up of the annual Government grant-in-aid, 2,51% priced services and 1,13% of grants provided by foundations, individual persons and from special projects. For the constructing of the new Annex to the Library the sum of 8 186 600 Litass (2 371 000€) was received from the Government. 26,2% of the budget was allotted for salaries, 4% for acquisition programs, for constructing of the new building - 38,4%, IT equipment - 4,6%, social security payments and expanses for maintenance of the buildings - 26,8%.

BUILDINGS

The installation of the equipment and mounting works in the Annex to the main building of the Library were continued in 2003. The transportation and security systems have been installed and all mounting works finished. On the occasion of the Day of the State and in commemoration of the 750th anniversary of King Mindaugas crowning, the new annex to the Library was opened to the visitors in July 5, 2003. The reconstructing works of the main Library building were in progress. The 5th floor with Conference Hall, Music reading room was fully renovated. A transfer of the National Archive of Published Documents into the new premises and storages of the Annex is the main and one of the final tasks in 2004.

INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY AND NETWORKS

The development of the Lithuanian Integrated Library Information System LIBIS has continued in 2003. Following targets were achieved:

1. Implementation and realisation of Z39.50 in LIBIS cataloguing subsystem.
2. Creation of the database of electronic resources: cataloguing of these records, new agreements with the publishers that determine the preparation of and access to the electronic resources.
3. Creation of the bibliographical data bank of the articles from Lithuanian press. Contains 265 thousand bibliographic records.
4. Implementation of Readers Admission Subsystem of LIBIS in Lithuanian public libraries.
5. Implementation of the software for LIBIS Interlibrary Loan and Publishing subsystems.

HW: number of PC - 399 (328 - for staff, 71 - for Library users, 357 connected to internet), number of servers - 11 (Windows NT, Linux, AIX, Novell).

SW: Lithuanian Integrated Library Information System LIBIS, developed by Lithuanian company "Sintagma". System consists of Local Automated Information Systems of 61 Lithuanian research and public libraries and common subsystems:

Union Catalogue, providing access to information on documents located in Lithuanian libraries. Contains 524 741 bibliographic entries <http://www.libis.lt/>.

National Bibliographic Data Bank (NBDB), providing access to information on documents published in Lithuania and related to Lithuania wherever published. Contains 265 thousand bibliographic records including 210 thousand analytical records from Lithuanian serials and continuing resources. One segment of NBDB - Bibliographic Database of Articles from the

Lithuanian periodicals is accessible at present via internet <http://www.libis.lt:8082/>.
Archive of Electronic Resources, providing harvesting and archiving of electronic resources. Contains 1,8 mio URL's from Lithuanian net with a total information of 5,8 GB.
 WWW-OPAC module was implemented in other Lithuanian libraries - LIBIS system participants. All of the LIBIS databases and the Union Catalogue were connected to online backup archival system using Tivoli software. At the end of 2003 there were 60 Lithuanian research and public libraries that have installed and implemented Library system LIBIS and its software. Throughout the year workshops and training courses were held in which qualified librarians were introduced to the principles of work in this system. 117 thousand records prepared by Lithuanian libraries were added to LIBIS Union Catalogue. 407 thousand requests were delivered to the Union Catalogue during the year.

THE DIGITAL LIBRARY

- Digitization of old Lithuanian shellac records. Project started in 2003.
- The project "Creation of Integrated e-Library Infrastructure" is prepared for the upcoming support from EU Structural Funds. Project aims to forming a network of approximately 70 Lithuanian libraries in order to publish electronically 11 Mio pages and over thousand titles of shellac records and make them available through public and free access interfaces to all users.

ACQUISITIONS

In 2003 the National Library has received 72 833 copies of library documents. Total amount of 867 500 Litas (251 245€) was allotted for the purchasing of books (51,1%), serials (46,3%) and other documents (2,6%). Documents received by legal deposit made up 55,3% of the total accessions. 4 Lithuanian and 11 foreign electronic databases have been subscribed. A database EBSCO Publishing was the most popular among others. The National Library and other Lithuanian libraries received a discount for the subscription of this database.

Type of the documents	Received in 2003	The Library holdings as at 31 December 2003
Books and serials	61 347	5 161 453
Manuscripts	1 990	61 921
Microforms	2 483	100 255
Audio-visual documents	1 739	68 735
Cartography	203	10 173
Printed music	490	111 417
Electronic documents	383	2 231
Other	2 208	1 402 187
Total:		
in volumes	70 843	6 918 372
in titles	19 067	1 995 335

PRESERVATION AND CONSERVATION

The conservation measures were primarily reserved for the Library's unique documents, such as manuscripts, old and rare Lithuanian and foreign books. During 2003 these preservation programs were in progress: restoration, binding and disinfecting of the documents from rare and old Library's collections, restoration of bindings, producing of the paper-cases for the archival documents, microfilming program of the pre-war Lithuanian serials and serials in foreign languages printed in Lithuania, current Lithuanian newspapers.

READER SERVICES

The Library had 30 703 registered users including 9 431 new registered in 2003. 55% of the users were students while researchers and specialists made up 20,6%. 454 831 visits were made to the Library and almost 1,5 Mio documents were retrieved for readers. The reading rooms housed 669 reader desks and 71 out of them computerized.

CULTURAL ACTIVITIES. INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS. PUBLISHING

196 exhibitions commemorated the national dates, events and prominent persons were organized by the Library. According to the agreement with the Embassy of People's Republic of China and the National Library of Lithuania two exhibitions dedicated to the culture of China was opened in 2003. An exhibition of Lithuanian books and documents presented at the Frankfurt Book Fair in 2002 was presented in the Library exhibition hall and in the National Library of Belarus.

The National Library maintained broad international contacts with European National Libraries, library institutions and organizations. The main events in 2003 that stimulated further development of international relations were the annual meeting of the Foundation Conference of European National Librarians CENL and the final conference of the TEL project to be held in Vilnius.

In the course of the year the National Library published 155 publications under 25 titles with the total print run of 63 133 copies.

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