

V.Vernadsky National Library of Ukraine CENL Annual Report

1. Management of the library. Administrative and academic board performs management of the V.Vernadsky National Library of Ukraine. The head of the abovementioned board is Director General. These bodies are responsible for yearly planning, decision making.
2. Vernadsky National Library purchases electronic publications on broad subjects from ISI and obtains national legislation from national electronic legislation provider LIGA that is authorized by the Ministry of Justice of Ukraine.
3. Funding. Vernadsky National Library had severe cuts of funding, which affected possibilities to subscription to foreign periodicals. Therefore, foreign periodicals subscription reduced. But at the same time reduced budget did not affect the salaries of librarians.
4. Legislation. During the reported period there were no changes in legislation, which affected the library and its formal relationships with government or its status.
5. Vernadsky National Library of Ukraine had certain problems relating to renovation caused by reduction of budget.
6. The total number of staff remained the same, although special attention was paid to staff development through extensive training programs and professional seminars on the library's base.
7. The digital library, information technology and networks. During the reported year the work on information resources online was activated via placement on library's web site. Also the work on creating and completing the National Digital Library was continued. The National Digital Library was filled with bibliography, abstracts, and full-text information resources. There were also created numerous informational and bibliographical databases. Investments were put into creation and publication of Internet (online) journals and purchase of databases on CD ROMs created by another organizations.
8. There were no changes in legal deposit law.
9. The state of acquisition totally depends on budgeting of library. Replenishment of library funds was not fully financed due to the reduction of library budget and shortage of financial resources. Therefore library funds right now completed owing to books exchange and donations. At the same time financial resources available were used for purchasing periodicals and new publications in cooperation with leading Ukrainian and world subscription companies. Library funds were replenished by donated manuscript collections and 11 donated private archives. The outstanding manuscript – Gospels from XVI century was donated by Foundation for Development of Arts.
10. Preservation and conservation in the Vernadsky National Library of Ukraine. Despite of not adequate funding for purchasing new equipment or investing into new techniques, the numerous preventive measures were taken, among them anti-fire measures; special attention was paid to controlling the preservation of rare documents and collections.
11. Library, bibliographic reference, and information services are provided differentially, taking into consideration the results of research about readers' needs and contingent .Readers were supported with information and supplied with access to National Digital library, local databases, databases on CD ROMs , Internet. Special attention was given to information support of scientists and library science professionals, as well as to governmental, municipal inquiries and inquiries from nongovernmental organizations.
12. Cultural events, exhibitions and publishing. As a national library of Ukraine, Vernadsky National library is among the leading national institutions for

presentations, exhibitions, scientific conferences and round tables and other cultural events. Many of these are carried out in cooperation with the government, diplomatic missions, international and national organizations. Library publishing policy is aimed at publishing library science periodicals, bibliography guides, and monographs. Annual professional international conferences are held that have the impact on development of national library science.

13. Vernadsky National library of Ukraine widely cooperates with Ukrainian and foreign governments, international organizations, national and local libraries worldwide, as well as local Ukrainian libraries serving at the same time as leading national library service, bibliographical and depositary center.