

ANNUAL REPORT TO CENL 2018

Name of country: ROMANIA

Name of library or equivalent national-level organization: NATIONAL LIBRARY OF ROMANIA

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Vision

Fundamental institution for the national written cultural heritage, the National Library of Romania conserves, manages and promotes an important part of this heritage and participates in the construction of a modern, dynamic and well informed society, integrating at national level its documentation and information resources, creating a path to knowledge, in general, and to knowledge of Romanian culture and spirituality, in particular.

In this regards, the National Library of Romania ensures the availability of the published national heritage in the community, disseminates and produces information content for the citizens and the community and builds services for all types of users, together with the library network and other actors of the information society.

General overview of recent major developments at the reporting library

In 2018, the National Library of Romania was fully involved into the writing of one of the most beautiful chapter from the Romania's history, Centenary of the First World War and the Big Union. Through activities and projects, the Library aimed to put in spotlight a generous fund of unknown and little-known documents from the Special Collections Department (photographs, archive documents, old newspapers, maps and so on), with the purpose to bring back into the collective memory, the events and personalities of those times, the sacrifice of the entire Romanian Nation from all the Historic Regions, for the pursuance of the national objective – the Big Union. The celebration of this special event for the Romanian History was supplemented by targeted actions of promoting Romanian culture in foreign countries, through international exchange of documents and book donations, focused on our history from the last 100 years.

Developments in managing collections

Acquisitions

The budget allocated for acquisitions of documents in 2018 was 183.318 RON (39.851 EUR) in the view of developing of the National Library's collections. In this amount is included the American Corner Grant in amount of 15.722,04 RON (EUR 3.417), designated exclusively for the development of the American Corner's specialized collections. In relation with the institution's entire subsidy for 2018, the amount for purchasing the documents represented 0,81%.

Cultural and professional events

Continuing the trend established in the last years, after the moving into the new headquarter, in 2018, the National Library of Romania was involved in many cultural and scientific projects, such as: *Stagiunea de colecție* (a series of concerts and mixed performances created in order to promote the music sheets collection of the Library), EMMAUS project (a series of conferences and debates on different scientific subjects), *Cartea care se ascultă* (project dedicated to promotion of reading for all types of users), etc. Also, courtesy of a digitization project, the Library was equipped with a high quality scanner and a new storage device.

The scientific activities of the National Library of Romania's employees was reflected in various participations at professional meetings and many case studies and articles published in specialized publications.

Key facts and figures

Funding:

In 2018, the National Library of Romania had a total budget of 20.779.000 RON (approx. EUR 4.517.173), spent in a proportion of 89,73%. The NLR's own revenues were in amount of 165.012 RON (EUR 35. 869).

Employees:

Staff	Total	Library professionals	Technicians and associate professionals in the technical field Administration professionals Clerical support workers Administrative workers
Number of employees (according to main occupational classification)	212	163	49

Staff fluctuation in 2018

Hired staff - 10

Staff departures - 18

Documents included in our collections in 2018: 95375 items

Intangible collections (legal deposit): **43.704**

Collections for users: **51.671**

- Acquisition of documents: **8.679**

- International Exchange of documents: **2.548**

- Donations: **1.442**

- Legal deposit: **39.002**

Pages scanned for the Digital library: 117.681

Users:

8.558 new users registered during 2018

21.295 active users in reading rooms

54.000 users in the free reading spaces of the Library

The library's website is constantly being updated with useful information, easy to access by our users

	No. of visitors	No. of visited pages	visits
Website	185.274	855.010	325.267
Digital library	9.958	239.052	38.274