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NATIONAL LIBRARY OF THE CZECH REPUBLIC

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ANNUAL REPORT TO CDNL 2001 – 2002

2001 STATISTICAL SURVEY:

Holdings - number of items (total)	5 898 094
Addition	73 246
Decrease	3 338
Users enrolled	46 035
Visitors	785 544
Loans	656 267
Publications – number of issues	92
Staff - occupied positions (FTE)	444
Expenditures (CZK million)	245.883
(i.e. EUR million)	*7.221
Capital investment (CZK million)	10.491
(i.e. EUR million)	*0.308

**Annual mean exchange rate in 2001: 1 EUR = CZK 34.05*

MAJOR DEVELOPMENTS, ACTIVITIES, ACHIEVEMENTS IN 2001:

Extra funds were available for 17 Government both long-term and annual Research & Technology Development projects, and in addition 14 projects in the framework of the Government grant program called Public Information Services of Libraries within the areas such as digital library, uniform information gateway for heterogeneous resources, national union catalogue, retrospective conversion of catalogues, access to foreign electronic resources, integration and archiving of on-line documents, access to analytical information material (articles), national name authority file, development of subject authority file equivalent to UDC system of notations, etc. - see:

http://www.nkp.cz/start/knihcin/pp_en.html

Both of the official National programs made good progress: Memoriae Mundi Series Bohemica (digital access to rare library materials) and Digitisation of Preservation Microfilm (component part of the hybrid approach to preservation of and access to acid paper documents, mostly newspapers and journals; filming for preservation, digitisation for access).

The Czech National Library became full member of the European Register of Microform Masters Consortium – EROMM. Besides, the Library participated in the European project such as MASTER (creating shared catalogue of medieval manuscripts) and PULMAN (support of development of public libraries).

The OCLC/WLN Conspectus method was selected for NL collections evaluation and development strategy.

National Cataloguing Board for Cataloguing Policy recommended changing the nationally used format UNIMARC to MARC21 in a horizon of ca 2-3 years.

Both Czech National Bibliography of the 20th Century (over 0.5 mil. records) and scanned major Czech NL catalogues (total ca 5 mil. records) now available via Internet - see: http://www.nkp.cz/baze_dat/English/altnk.htm

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