

Annual Report to CDNL 2005 – 2006

Name of Country : Croatia
Name of Library : The National and University Library, Zagreb
Name of Chief Executive: Dr. Josip Stipanov, PhD - General Director

MANAGEMENT OF THE LIBRARY

The National and University Library is fulfilling its dual function: as a national library and as a university library of the University of Zagreb.

The Library is governed by the Library Board consisting of nine members.

Senior management of the library participated in intensive management training course, which was provided by the Department of Management /Faculty of Economy in Zagreb.

STAFFING MATTERS

There are 306 FTE; among them are 130 members of the staff that hold a higher education diploma, or 42,5 % .

INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY AND NETWORK

In cooperation with the CARNet, (Croatian Academic Network), the Library launched the project of wireless network in 2003. This service has been used by 3 769 users. The Library LAN consists of 300 personal computers and 14 servers.

There are 34 participating libraries participating in the union catalogue. [URL: http://www.nsk.hr/crolist](http://www.nsk.hr/crolist)

The mayor project in providing distance access to library collection was digitisation of *Alphabetical Card Catalogue*, which now completely available on the web site. The catalogue contains two alphabetical orders that were created up to the year 1999. Besides the main catalogue, several other catalogues from special collections were digitised.

The Library continued with the catalogue conversion.

THE DIGITAL LIBRARY

The three main series of national bibliographies (Books, Serials and Articles) are available as online editions. The cumulative Croatian bibliography, series A – books from 1990-2003, has been published as a CDROM edition.

The pilot project on digitisation started in 2001 and covered the selection of various valuable documents from the rare books and special collections.

New web pages are in preparation with new contents and functionality.

Archiving the Croatian web initiated as a pilot project in 2004, resulted with several guidelines for operational applications concerning the long-term archiving solutions of the electronic deposit. The first phase of the project *Digital Archive of the Networked Publication* have been realised in cooperation with the University Computing Centre in Zagreb.

LEGAL DEPOSIT OF MATERIALS

Under legislation right, which stems from the Law on Libraries, the Library receives two copies of all materials published in Croatia. By the legal deposit right the Library acquired 5.997 titles of the printed books, additionally 73 electronic books, 101 master and doctoral thesis in physical units and 172 titles of the networked publications.

Among the items received are, 2.179 titles (5.719 volumes) of periodicals in a printed format, 5 titles on CDROM, 89 titles acquired for remote access, and 214 titles (14.785 volumes) of newspapers.

ACQUISITION

A part of the library collection is been built by acquisition of foreign scientific and professional literature, both monographs and serials, in printed and in electronic format.

The Library has purchased 4.126 monographs (1.615 foreign and 2.511 Croatian), 647 titles /2.984 volumes of foreign scientific and professional periodical titles and 45 databases (bibliographic or full text).

Considerable part of the collection is acquired through donations and exchange.

SPECIAL COLLECTIONS

The Library has four special collections: The Rare Books and Manuscripts, Music, Prints and Drawing and Cartographic. The Rare Books and Manuscripts Collection purchased a particularly fine 11 manuscripts, 47 rare books among them are two first prints, being important because of the Croatian printer Dobrić Dobričević:

- a. Roberto Valturio. *De re militari*.- Veronae : impressum {per Boninum de Boninis) anno D(omi)ni M.cccc.l.xxxii.xiii.februarii /Verona : Dobrić Dobričević, 13th February 1483
- b. Marcus Terentius Varro. *De lingua Latina*.- Impressum Brixiae :per Boninum de Boninis de Ragusia & Miniatum. Delsera Florentinum socios anno Christi.M.cccc.lxxxiii.die xvi.Iunii (Brescia :Dobrić Dobričević, 16th June 1483

The Library has sent 58 records to the cooperative database of manuscripts *Manuscriptorium*-<http://www.memoria.cz/engine/manuscriptorium-visitors>

The rare book department had 1.685 users of 9.455 units, 253 written user request and 15 group visits (119 persons).

The Prints and drawing collection collects graphic material, maps, exhibition catalogues, posters, drawings. The collection highlight acquisition is the graphic map of the Croatian famous artist Ivan Picelj, published in Paris in only 36 copies.

The 827 users of the Prints and drawing collection consulted 3.029 various items.

Cartographic collection has acquired valuable charts *Dalmatia Nova Tabula* (Giacomo Gastaldi, Venezia 1548), *Sclavonia Croatia, Bosnia & Dalmatiae Pars Maior* (Koeln, 1594), *Das Herzogsthum Krain* : Nro 140 / F.J.J. von Reilly.Wien 1789. etc

870 users consulted 2.605 items.

Collection of Printed Music and audio material added 1.278 items, and bequest of Croatian musicians Jurica Murai and Stanislav Preprek. The collection had 583 users who consulted 1.323 various items. Five concerts and one exhibition have been organized in the main vestibule of the Library. The Japanese Government Foundation has awarded high fidelity audio visual equipment for listening booths and reading rooms of the Music Collection. This is the first audiovisual installation in any Croatian library.

PRESERVATION AND CONSERVATION

A special attention was paid to microfilm part of the national newspaper collection, 40.888 microfilm shots (images) have been taken and 15.414 pages were restored by the method of paper mash technique. Additionally, 65.233 microfilm images were photographed for special collections.

Collection of Pakrac eparchy that has been severely damaged during the war has been finally restored, after several years.

The preservation department has equipment for digitalisation.

SERVICES TO READERS AND USERS

Library is open 72 hours a week and it had 15.771 newly registered readers, 90 % students.. The entrance turn-still registered over 320.000 visits. The Library provides information services including bibliographic and reference as well as subject searching of local information sources and those to full text and bibliographic databases with the remote access.

Web pages had more than 446.867 remote visitors which have access to catalogues and consortium wide remote access to full text and bibliographic databases. <http://www.nsk.hr/usluge>

A guided tour of the Library was provided for 78 groups.

On behalf of our users, the information specialist provided more than 35.989 searches. National bibliographic database have been consulted more than 4.5 million times.

13.553 books have been borrowed and 243 844 volumes and 918 microfilms loaned on-site.

The Library has accomplished 1.548 interlibrary loan requests.

By international document delivery service, the Library provided 1.959 articles and loaned 642 books.

TRAINING CENTRE FOR LIBRARIANS

The Training Centre for Librarians established as a joint project of the National and University Library and City Libraries of Zagreb, Department of Librarianship and Croatian Library Association provided 37 training seminars, attended by 749 participants. [URL:http://www.nsk.hr/cssu](http://www.nsk.hr/cssu)

CULTURAL EVENTS, EXHIBITIONS AND PUBLISHING

Library is notable not only for its services but for organising various cultural events, concerts and exhibitions. During the year, many distinguished exhibitions and interesting book presentations have been organised. Besides this, we are a well-visited place for concerts or conferences.

The Library has organised thirteen exhibitions and published ten catalogues. Additionally, ten exhibitions were organised in cooperation with other organisations.

The exhibition highlights were:

- *Petrarca and Petrarchism in Croatian Literature*-celebrating 700th birth anniversary of Francesco Petrarca
- *World Press Photo*: an international exhibition of world newspaper photography, which was organised for the first time and in cooperation with the Dutch Embassy
- *Pablo Neruda: life and works* - on the occasion of 100th birth anniversary in cooperation with Embassy of Chile and Pablo Neruda Foundation from Santiago

Off-site exhibitions:

- *Three scripts - three languages. Croatian Written Monuments, Manuscripts and Publications through Centuries*, organised in Brussels, Stuttgart and Karlsruhe, represents three scripts and three languages used by Croats during the history.
- *Alvar Alto: Architecture and Reading*, organised in cooperation with the Finnish Embassy and the Alvar Alto Museum.

We have organised 11 book presentations.

The publishing activities of the Library are steadily rising. A full list of library editions could be consulted at the www.nsk.hr/knjizara

LIBRARY CO-OPERATION

The national and international cooperative initiatives are gradually increasing. Internationally, we are an active member of *CENL* and participate on the conferences of *CDNL*. The Library is a member of the *IFLA*, the International Federation of Library Associations, *LIBER* (The League des bibliothèques européennes de recherche) and *CERL*. Digitised Croatian children books are represented in the international project of *ICDL* (International Children's Digital Library).

In UNESCO's *Index Translationum*, 1.642 book records, translated into Croatian were added to this international database.

The Library also takes part in international programmes of ISBN, ISSN, and ISMN.

Professional staff took part in 22 international conferences and 9 national.

The Library itself is organising or co-organising conferences:

- *CROINFO2004 - a conference on Knowledge Management*,
- *Seminar: Special Libraries and Libraries of the Higher education*
- *Seminar: Archives, Libraries and Museums*
- *The 2nd Conference for Public Libraries*
- *Round Table on Library Statistics*

The Library submitted the TEMPUS SCM EU project *A Model of the University of Zagreb Library System*, with EU partner libraries from Goettingen, Helsinki and Copenhagen.

Several mutual cooperation agreements have been undersigned, among them with the Czech National Library (MASTER) and National and University Library "Kliment Ohridski"- Skopje (FYR Macedonia).

Two foreign students and several Croatian students of librarianship were admitted for practice.

15. MAJOR CELEBRATION

The Library celebrates its day in February and awards distinguished workers. On the occasion of the Croatian Book Day (22nd April), the theme of the round table was *Croatian literature for Children and Young Adults*.

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