APPLICATION FORM

LIBRARY DATA

Library name: Krapina Public Library / Gradska knjižnica Krapina
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Country: Croatia
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LIBRARY DESCRIPTION

Please, mark the characteristics of your library (mark all those appropriate):

Metropolitan library ☐
Rural library ☐
Library service with branch libraries ☐
Mobile library ☐
Children and Young Adults Library ☐
Library with less than 1,000 inhabitants ☐
Library between 1,000 and 5,000 inhabitants ☐
Library between 5,000 and 10,000 inhabitants ☐
Library between 10,000 and 20,000 inhabitants ☒
Library between 20,000 and 30,000 inhabitants ☐
| Library between 30,000 and 100,000 inhabitants |
| Library between 100,000 and 200,000 inhabitants |
| Library between 200,000 and 500,000 inhabitants |
| Library with more than 500,000 inhabitants |

**MORE INFORMATION**

Please, tell us a bit more about your library, pictures are also welcome:

**Short description:**

About town - Krapina

Krapina is a medieval town with a population of 8,500 residents while the wider community includes 13,000 inhabitants. Situated in a picturesque, hilly environment of northwestern Croatia, located about 50 km from the capital Zagreb. Krapina is the seat of Krapina-Zagorje County. The town is well known throughout Europe as a site of prehistoric man and modern museum. The Krapina-Zagorje county is characterized by high densities of medieval castles and fortresses of which one is in Krapina as well as a numerous churches.

Attached Images

Library, history and legal status

Librarian tradition in Krapina is very long. The first reading room was established in the period Illyrianist 1845. which, after some years disappeared. Over a century and a half in Krapina were also opened a number of reading rooms and libraries emerged as a result of active engagement of individuals-intellectuals. The establishment of the Public University 1962. library enters into its composition, where it will get old to the formation of the library as an independent institution 2006.

In 2007. Library has acquired the status of the research and development library for the Krapina-Zagorje county, and in early 2008. began to work Reseach and development department, which coveres 12
public libraries, 32 libraries of elementary schools and 9 secondary school libraries.
We count seven employees.

About Library

Through its programs, the library actively monitors developments in the city and county organizing meetings with writers, exhibitions, lectures, etc. Children's Department is organizing events for the kids throughout the year including the popular CCC workshop (story telling, drawing, painting, modeling and other forms of creative expression). Employees of libraries create their own children's plays, prepare them for costumes, set design, directing and writing the screenplay. With a library plays we guest at other libraries, schools and kindergartens.

Special attention is paid to the local collection of the material which is subject not only to use the library members, but frequent exposure.

In our work, the library collaborates with the local community, schools, cultural clubs, day nurseries, tourist offices, radio stations and other medias and others.

Attention is paid to the continuous professional training of staff in the home, and other county libraries.

The library extends to 800 m² and has 4 floors where are located: the Department for adult users, the Department for Children, Study Department, Local collection, so called Blue Hall (multipurpose hall for lectures, workshops, exhibitions), storage and office space for employees. In addition to print and non-print library materials to areas in our working conditions and training for all citizens of Krapina, especially pupils and students, does offer interlibrary loans, topical and bibliographic searches of our own collections and of other libraries collections.

The library has 55,000 volumes of book materials, electronic and AV materials, toys, and is subscribed to a daily, weekly and monthly press.

Communication with members and users other than directly carried out through facebook, e-mail and library web pages. (www.gkkr.hr)
Current library programs:

The library is continuously carried out actions under the general title “Town and its people” with the aim of the presentation and promotion of library materials relating to the people who in any way shaped history town’s life and its residents (artists, officials, collectors, scholars, “ordinary people”), with an emphasis on people and events that have not been reported in large national histories (social history).

We are preparing to open a memorial room of one such man that a large amount of items donated to the library.

Traditional year-round workshops for children titled CCC (Croatian acronym of the term last Thursday of the month in four hours) is continuously flowing.

Their activities Library regularly participates in the national program of the Croatian Book Month, which takes place in all libraries in Croatia, from 15. October to 15. November.

Please tell us about the kind of activities you would be interested in doing with your sister library:

Exchange Library Information

Exchange Library resources

Share library training programs

Share library programs and exhibits

Share cultural events

Bring recognition of the partnership thorough publicity
Develop personal contacts

Languages your staff speaks:
english

Languages users speak/read:
english, little bit geman

Preferred countries for cooperation:
Every sister is welcome. Maybe this order: Finland, Portugal, Ireland, Belgium, Spain, Czech Republic, Poland, Romania, Slovenia.

Please, tell us a bit about the features of the library that ideally you would like to cooperate with:

We prefer a library that is specified by size and characteristics similar to our own, and belongs to the diverse cultural setting. Also, a library whose programs are similar to ours, particularly in the area of working with children and young people and collecting and presenting local collection materials.

EUROPEAN UNION PROGRAMS

Please, indicate if you are searching partners in other countries for any European Union project:

YES ☐ NO ☒

If yes, for which projects?:

Please, indicate if you are participating in any European Union program:

YES ☐ NO ☒