

APPLICATION FORM

LIBRARY DATA

Library name: Gradska knjiznica Marka Marulica

Address: Slobode 2

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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:

Marko Marulic Split City Library stems from many libraries that existed in Split through history, starting with the Cathedral library, which is also the oldest Croatian library. Many church, monastery or private libraries owned by respectable and famous citizens of Split have also contributed to the rich tradition of Split library history.

Since the funds of these libraries were mostly unavailable to the general public a growing need for books resulted in forming of first public libraries in Split.

The first known public library was formed by a priest and professor Ivan Paštrić in 1700 as part of the Archdiocese seminary. The next known public library was the „Public Slavic Reading Room“ (Narodna slavjanska citaonica), founded in 1862, followed by the City library in 1903., The Public library in 1904., and the City public library in 1913.

Today's city library of Split was founded in 1951 under the name „Lending library“(Posudbena biblioteka). Today's name Marko Marulic City Library (Gradska knjižnica Marka Marulića) has been official since 1993.

The Library has changed and evolved during the following decades, building and expanding a network of branches through the city and suburbia, as the city itself and the county have grown, together with their citizen's cultural needs.

A harmonic flow of events during the second half of 20th century was harshly disrupted in 1998 with closing of the central Split library. Much effort, patience and hard work was needed to return to the former path.

At the beginning of 2008 a new central library building opened for public, marking a new era of culture in Split and the whole Split-Dalmatia County, promising a bright future once again.

Current library programs: information services, library material lending, lectures, exhibits, digitization of old book material, publishing, learning programs for library users

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 programs and exhibits
- Share cultural events
- Bring recognition of the partnership through publicity
- Develop personal contacts

Languages your staff speaks:

Croatian, English, Italian, Spanish, German, Russian, Slovenian, Polish

Languages users speak/read:

Croatian, English, German, Italian, French, Spanish, Russian, Macedonian,

Preferred countries for cooperation:

Any country

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

We wish to cooperate with any library with similar profile and programs

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