APPLICATION FORM

LIBRARY DATA

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https://www.facebook.com/pages/Knji%C5%BEnica-Ivana-Tav%C4%8Darja-%C5%A0kofja-Loka/367618559212
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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:**
We are serving the population of about 42,000 people in 4 communities with main library in Škofja Loka (population 22,000) and five branch libraries for communities from 4,000 - 7,000 potential users. From all population, 25% of them were active users in 2014. From children up to 15 year, 55% were active users in year 2014. Total number of employe is 18 and 15 of them are profesional staff.

Our library is working on a teritory with strong connection with the medieval history of Škofja Loka and orientation on develop cultur and green tourism. The origins of library go back to the year of 1862, when first Reading room was established in Škofja Loka.

**Current library programs:**
We are organizing literary evenings and cultural events, reading promotion programs for children and young adults, lectures, monthly art exhibitions by local artists, art workshops for children, storytelling (with a dog, with guests to meet other cultures from around the world), theatre and puppet performances and various passive
programs for children. We are cooperating with local organizations, schools and kindergardens, bookshop and we are getting involved in local festivals. In 2014 our library with branch libraries and other organisations prepared more than 700 events.

Please tell us about the kind of activities you would be interested in doing with your sister library:
We would like to exchange ideas, good practices and programs and implement them in order to inspire and educate local community with various opportunities library has to offer. With sister library we plan to develop personal contacts and exchange job experiences between librarians, discuss events, activities for young adults and for toddlers, share new ideas of intergrating local organisations to the library, exchange information about challenges libraries are facing, ideas of how to take library "outside the library", searching new ways of promoting reading, opportunities social media is offering,...
It would also be interesting to share and promote culture and cultural heritage to sister library, share and present exhibits and artworks, create online connections between users of sister's library, organize exchange between staff, share fairytales, knowledge about literature,…

Languages your staff speaks:
English, Slovenian, Croatian

Languages users speak/read:
Slovenian, English

Preferred countries for cooperation:
Portugal, Finland, Croatia, Ireland and other libraries with similar profile to our own.

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