

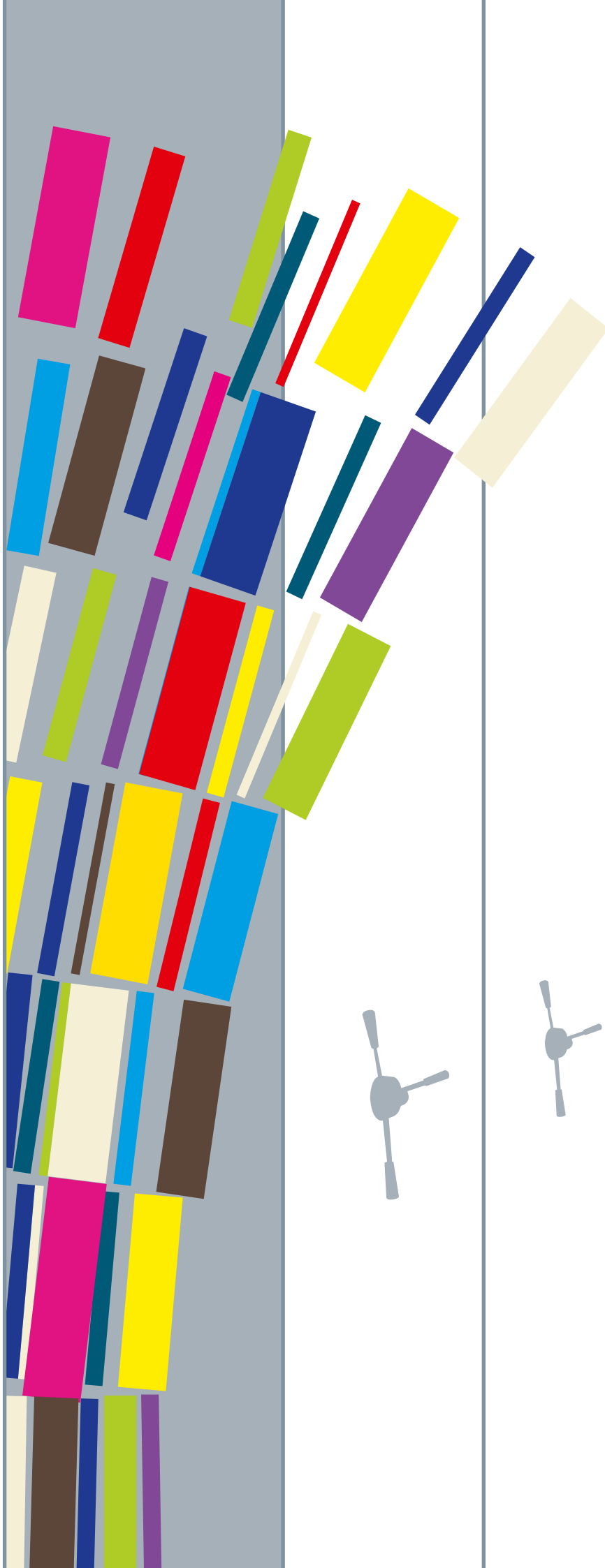
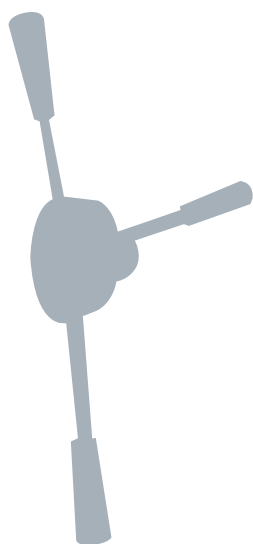


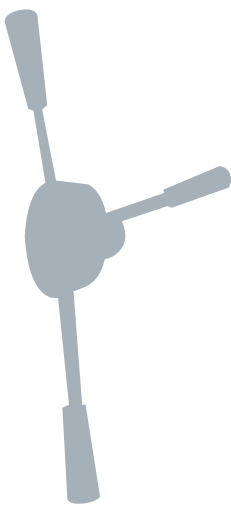
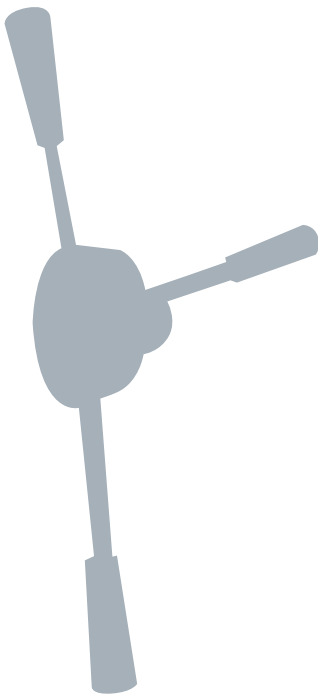
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In 2012 the National Library team consistently worked on implementation of its main mission – to ensure satisfaction of the Lithuanian knowledge society's needs for documentary and digital information. One of the most important priorities still remained a long drawn out renovation of the National Library's main building. We succeeded to achieve essential changes in supervision process management quality; however, the main problem still remained insufficient funding of the reconstruction project retarding full-force implementation of the National Library objectives. The situation necessitated re-evaluation of design works and new modelling of essential technological flows and structural spaces. Successfully performing parliamentary library functions for 20 years, the National Library also launched procedures for obtaining status of a full-fledged scientific institution. This must significantly strengthen the position and role of the National Library on the state scale.

The National Library progressively turns into a constantly learning organization. Since 2012, in cooperation with the Ministry of Culture and county and municipal public libraries, the National Library undertook coordination of library staff training processes. Activities in this sphere managed by the Strategic Project Development Department gained a visible strength. A number of viable project initiatives were initiated, and implementation of some has been launched. Since 2013 the department is responsible for continuation of activities of the former Libraries for Innovation project in public libraries, developing this function in cooperation with the Library Science Centre. The latter is now under reorganization pursuing enhanced mission of the Library as a national institution in the common space of state information, communication and cultural policy and digital infrastructure of memory institutions. The key role in this context is played by the National Cen-

tre of Digitization and Virtual Electronic Heritage System. The centre is a leader in coordination and realization of the national strategy of cultural heritage digitization as well as in implementation of the state importance projects of creation of the virtual electronic heritage system.

International cooperation of the National Library is getting intensified. After some years break, traditional event of the national libraries of Baltic countries LiLaEst was revived. The seminars of the teams of the national libraries of Lithuania, Latvia and Estonia took place in Latvia in June, and in the renovated National Library's Pakretuonė training centre in September. The National Library traditionally represented Lithuania in all main activities of international library organizations and international projects. Notably active was participation in activities of the association of the libraries of the Baltic Sea region states Bibliotheca Baltica, bringing new cooperation and project interaction forms and changes in organization management strategy.

This publication presents the National Library's results for 2012 and the nearest strategic plans for 2013.

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ACTIVITIES, PRIORITIES AND PERFORMANCE INDICATORS

The Martynas Mažvydas National Library of Lithuania (hereafter, the National Library) is a national cultural institution which collects, organizes and preserves Lithuania's written cultural heritage, develops the collection of Lithuanian and foreign documents relevant to research, educational and cultural needs of Lithuania, and provides information services to the public.

The mission of the National Library is to ensure satisfaction of the Lithuanian knowledge society's needs for documentary and digital information.

National Library objectives:

- ◆ long-term preservation of Lithuania's written cultural heritage;
- ◆ development of the national collection of documents relevant to research, educational and cultural needs of Lithuania;
- ◆ collection and bibliographic control of Lithuanian and Lithuania related published documents;
- ◆ development of the search system and databases for documents;
- ◆ serving the needs of information users;
- ◆ carrying out research in librarianship, bibliography, information and book science;
- ◆ drafting regulatory documents for librarianship and bibliography, coordination of this activity and providing methodological support for Lithuanian libraries;
- ◆ integration of Lithuanian libraries into the global network of libraries and information agencies.

The National Library's priority activities for 2012/13

- ◆ Ensuring proper infrastructural environment for the implementation of activities prescribed by legal regulations.
- ◆ Acquisition of printed documents, databases and other documents;
- ◆ Development of the Virtual Electronic Heritage System;
- ◆ Ensuring continuity of activities and results of the project "Libraries for Innovation" in public libraries of Lithuania.

Effective usage of the potential of the projects financed from the EU Structural Funds and implemented by the National Library is important for the achievement of the priorities. The

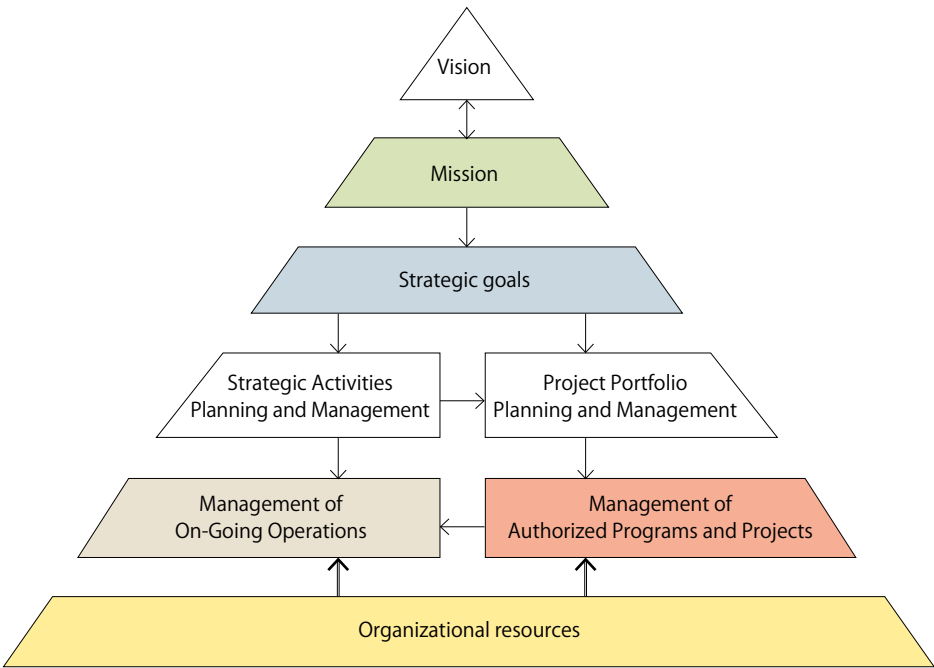
infrastructure created during the period of implementation of the projects will serve for the development of new information services, thus strengthening the significance of the National Library as a service provider within the society and the Lithuanian library system. Modern tools for upgrading competences of library staff will create prerequisites for efficient usage of human resources and emerging of new organizational competences.

The Annual Report 2012 and the Action Plan for 2013 is based on the Strategic Plans of the National Library for 2012–2014 and 2013–2015.

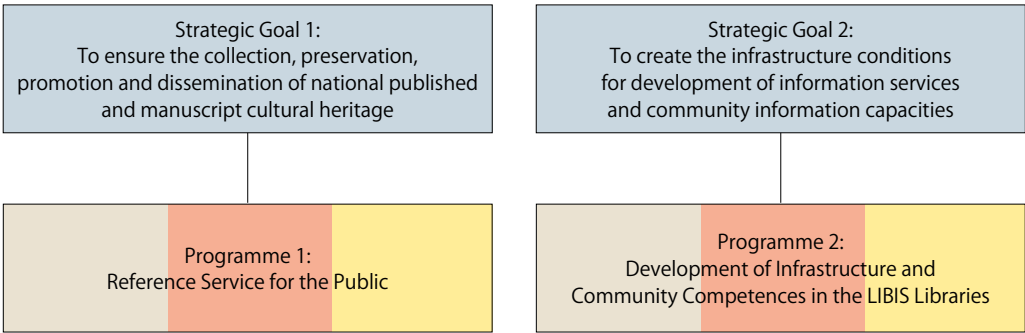


STRATEGY OF THE NATIONAL LIBRARY FOR 2012/13

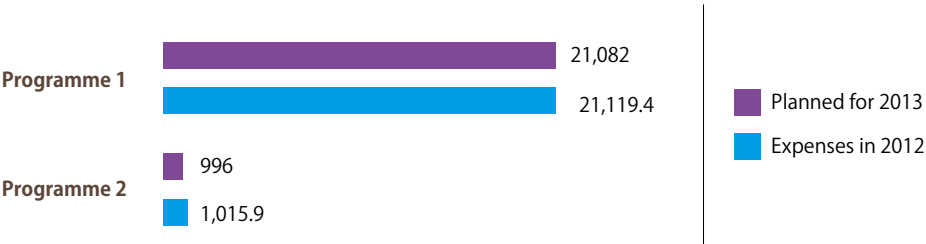
Organizational context of activity management



Strategic goals and programmes planned for 2012/13



Budget in 2012 and 2013 (LTL1000)



PROGRAMME GOALS AND THEIR REALIZATION IN 2012/13

"REFERENCE SERVICE FOR THE PUBLIC" – GOALS

1 Collection, preservation and promotion to the public of Lithuanian and foreign published and manuscript cultural heritage content.

Key activities:

- ◆ collecting, processing, bibliographic control, and long-term preservation of Lithuanian documents received via legal deposit and Lituanica documents published abroad;
- ◆ development and organization of the humanities and social sciences collection.

2 Development of the virtual electronic heritage system ensuring long-term preservation, access, and integration of cultural heritage objects into a single Lithuanian and European space of the digital cultural heritage.

Key activities:

- ◆ digitization of the cultural heritage content preserved in Lithuanian libraries;
- ◆ coordination of digitization activities on the national level;
- ◆ creation of a data bank for digitized documents and providing access to it.

3 Performing the functions of a parliamentary library.

Key activities:

- ◆ provision of reference and information services for the governing bodies of the Seimas of the Republic of Lithuania, members of the Seimas, their advisers and public servants.

4 Ensuring access to knowledge and information, development of library services in order to achieve realization of information society approaches.

Key activities:

- ◆ development of a system for information search;
- ◆ providing access to Lithuanian and foreign bibliographic and full-text databases;
- ◆ provision of traditional (reference and library) and electronic services.

5 Evolving national library science theory and practice, and strengthening the dynamics of integration into the global library science processes.

Key activities:

- ◆ collection and analysis of data related to Lithuanian libraries;
- ◆ drafting normative documents regulating activities of Lithuanian libraries;
- ◆ investigation and promotion of national and international trends in library science theory and practice;
- ◆ arranging translations of international standards for the library, bibliographic and publishing communities, and providing recommendations on their application within Lithuanian libraries.

6 Maintaining and development of physical infrastructure of the National Library.

Key activities:

- ◆ renovation of the main building of the National Library;
- ◆ exploitation of buildings and facilities of the National Library.

"DEVELOPMENT OF INFRASTRUCTURE AND COMMUNITY COMPETENCES IN THE LIBIS LIBRARIES" – GOALS

1 1. Upgrade of the LIBIS infrastructure, further improvement of the LIBIS software making it consistent with modern requirements.

Key activities:

- ◆ integration of Lithuanian information resources into a single European and worldwide information space;
- ◆ upgrade of the LIBIS infrastructure (including technical, system and database management facilities) and improvement of its functionality;
- ◆ bringing electronic services to higher levels of efficiency.

2 Ensuring continuation of activities and results of the project "Libraries for Innovation" in the LIBIS libraries.

Key activities:

- ◆ maintenance of centralized information systems;
- ◆ updating staff competences in public libraries;
- ◆ monitoring, research, and analysis of the situation on the national scale;
- ◆ promotion of public libraries' activities.



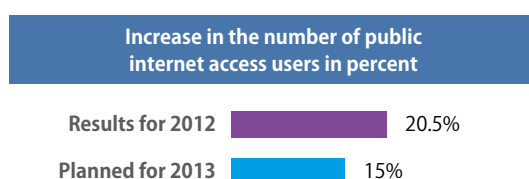
OPERATIONAL EFFICIENCY CRITERIA

The following criteria are applied for measuring the success of the **National Library's strategic goals** and evaluation of their **public benefit**:

STRATEGIC GOAL 1. To ensure the collection, preservation, promotion and dissemination of national published and manuscript cultural heritage



STRATEGIC GOAL 2. To create the infrastructure conditions for development of information services and community information capacities



PERFORMANCE INDICATORS

The following criteria are applied for measuring **the success of the programmes undertaken by the National Library** and evaluation of their **public benefit**:

Criterion	Results for 2012	Planned for 2013	Planned for 2014	Planned for 2015
Development of the National Archival Fund of Published Documents in percent as compared with the annual production of Lithuanian publishers	85	82.5%	82.5%	82.5%
Number of digitized Lithuanian cultural heritage objects accessible via the internet	66,612	24,000	24,000	24,000
Reference service satisfaction in percent against the number of conducted searches	100%	100%	100%	100%
Increase in virtual visits in percent	5.2%	7%	7%	7%
Presentation of results from research in library science, bibliography and book science to the public (proportion of presented results against the total research, in percent)	40	40%	40%	40%
Increase of the area of the Library's building under renovation	25%	25%	25%	25%
Updating of the LIBIS infrastructure	0.26%	0.26%	0.26%	0.26%
Number of library staff trained in new information technologies	120	50	50	50

GOALS OF THE NATIONAL LIBRARY'S PROGRAMMES

GOALS OF THE PROGRAMME "REFERENCE SERVICE FOR THE PUBLIC"

GOAL 1

COLLECTION, PRESERVATION AND PROMOTION TO THE PUBLIC OF LITHUANIAN AND FOREIGN PUBLISHED AND MANUSCRIPT CULTURAL HERITAGE CONTENT

Collection, bibliographic control and preservation of Lithuanian and Lithuania related published cultural heritage constitutes the key function and responsibility of the National Library. Lituanica publications and legal deposit copies received from Lithuanian public information providers are preserved in the Archive of Printed Documents and the Archive of Audio and Video Documents of the National Archival Fund of Published Documents. The National Library develops and maintains the Archive of Electronic Resources and ensures archiving of Lithuanian websites and other electronic documents as well as cataloguing of the most important of them. Bibliographic records for Lithuanian and Lithuania related documents are stored in the National Bibliographic Databank; thus access to bibliographic and authority records is being ensured. We endeavour to ensuring as compre-

hensive annual collection of Lithuanian documents within the National Archival Fund of Published Documents as possible, supporting appropriate cataloguing level of documents and their preservation, and access to them for today's and future users. The National Library also develops and preserves a collection of foreign documents with the priority for humanities and social sciences literature.

Renovation of the National Library's main building, which has been continuing since 2009, and future restitution of the National Library's building located at 4 K. Sirvydo Street to the Vilnius Archdiocese bring on serious challenges to ensuring of preservation of the National Archival Fund of Published Documents and other Library's collections. Therefore we need to urgently find speeding measures for financing the renovation of

the main building as well as make plans for the construction of new repositories for the National Library's collections.

The founding of the Centre of Formation and Development of Information Resources in the middle of 2012 in the National Library created presumptions to improve management of this sphere and optimize processes of acquisition, inventory control and processing of library's collections. In 2013, the special programme consolidating potential of some National Library's departments shall be conducted with the aim of methodizing and moving into other collections over 2 million of physical units of publications preserved in the building to be restituted.

The following one objective supports the achievement of this goal. Four tasks frame the objective.

Objective 1

Collection of Lithuanian and Lithuania related published cultural heritage, performing its bibliographic control; compiling the collection of other documents meeting needs of country's science, education, culture and economics

Task 1

Development of the national archive of traditional documents

Results for 2012

- ◆ Adding 16,343 physical units and 6,614 document titles to the National Archival Fund of Published Documents (hereafter, the Archive of Printed Documents). Over 2012, the number of visitors to the Archive of Printed Documents totalled 1,268, the number of document borrowings reached 10,945, and the number of answered queries was 78. Over that same year, 242 physical units of documents were supplemented to the Archive of Video and Sound Documents. A testing programme for the assessment of the state of preserved documents involving multiple criteria was continued within the Archive of Printed Documents; this brought a certain correction to the selection of documents for restoration. The documents from 1600–1900 were tested, and damage revealed. The data obtained will be used for the further development of the Document Preservation Programme of the Archive of Printed Documents.
- ◆ In order to properly prepare for the restitution of the National Library's building at 4 K. Sirvydo St. and move the documents preserved there without delay (until 2016), the special Action Plan for 2012/16 for methodizing and moving documents preserved on the premises of the former St. George Church was further implemented. 5,201 printings were processed and moved to the other collections of the National Library in 2012.
- ◆ Development and optimization of the Archive of Electronic Resources (ERA, *Elektroninių išteklių archyvas*) and updating of software was continued. Tools for loading of

autonomous e. resources and outsourcing of e. resources' metadata were created; that led to the possibility to design a website for user search with an option of selection of various search variants. As of the end of 2012, ERA con-

tained 281.8 million URLs of electronic resources, including 55 million public electronic periodical resources and 266.8 million non-public electronic periodical resources. The total amount of ERA data and indexes is about 6.2 TB.

Composition and development of the Archive of Printed Documents

Documents	Added in 2011 (physical units)	Added in 2012 (physical units)	Number of documents as of 31 December 2012 (physical units)
Books and serials	11,522	11,796	1,1823,601
Manuscripts	-	-	-
Microforms	-	-	401
Cartographic documents	75	54	1,820
Printed music documents	47	53	10,635
Audiovisual documents	-	-	3,889
Graphic documents	155	162	66,738
Databases in physical media	141	319	1,848
Electronic serials in physical media	5	5	402
Other digital documents in physical media	-	-	-
Other documents	1,226	3,954	1,313,841
In total: physical units	13,171	16,343	2,583,175
document titles	6,063	6,614	1,100,972

Composition of the Archive of Video and Sound Documents of the National Archival Fund of Published Documents

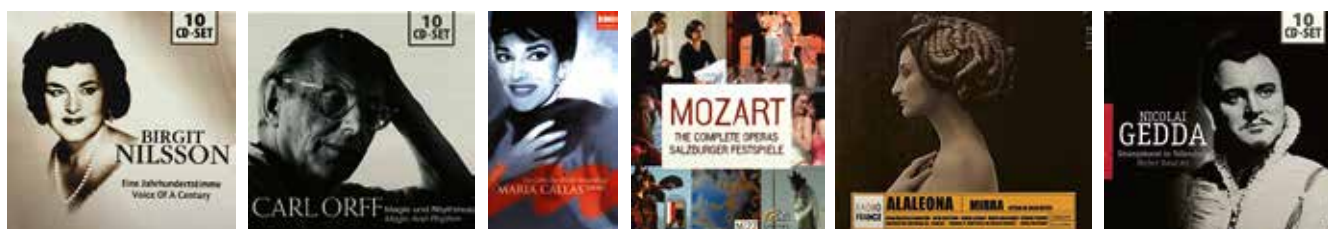
Documents	Added in 2011 (physical units)	Added in 2012 (physical units)	Number of documents as of 31 December 2012 (physical units)
Sound recordings on CD	181	159	3,805
Video recordings on DVD	67	76	563
Audiotapes	2	-	3,701
Videotapes	5	1	2,269
Vinyl records	1	5	2,269
Shellac records	-	1	2,551
In total: physical units	256	242	13 065
document titles	256	242	13 065

Planned for 2013

- ◆ Adding 14,000 physical units of documents to the Archive of Printed Documents, and 300 physical units of documents to the Archive of Video and Sound Documents.
- ◆ Maintaining the Archive of Printed Documents and further delivering second copies of archival documents to

the Kaunas County Public Library, and continuing implementation of the programme for the assessment of the state of preserved documents. Special attention will be paid to managing document holdings preserved at St. George Church.

Ms Marina Kulchinskaya, Swedish citizen, donated to the National Library about 500 audio and video records, among them – rare concert's records and old music records.

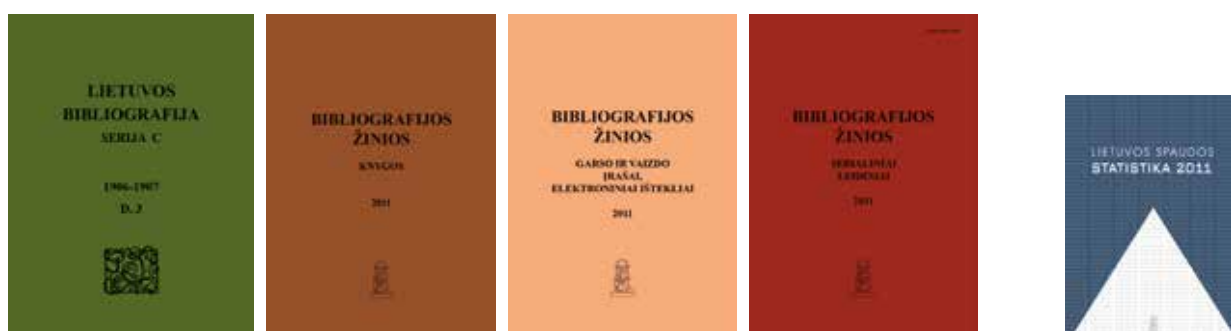


Task 2

Bibliographic control and statistical monitoring of documents published in Lithuania and foreign documents in Lithuanian

Results for 2012

- ◆ As of 31 December 2012, the National Bibliographic Data Bank (hereafter, NBDB, Nacionalinės bibliografijos duomenų bankas) contained 2,341,222 current national and retrospective bibliographic records. 255,879 new records were created. The bulk of them (89% or 200,775) were records for constituent parts of Lithuanian periodical and continuing publications as well as other documents. Records were also submitted to NBDB by 65 Lithuanian public libraries.
- ◆ 99,707 records for constituent parts of documents within the Database of Analytical Bibliography were created by structural units of the National Library, and 101,106 records were received from other Lithuanian libraries. At the end of 2012, the database contained 200,813 analytical records, i.e. 89% of all the NBDB records.
- ◆ The following current and retrospective bibliography publications were issued:
 - *Lietuvos bibliografija. Serija C, Lietuviškų periodinių leidinių publikacijos. D. 3, 1906–1907*. ("Lithuanian Bibliography. Series C, Publications of Lithuanian Periodicals. D.3, 1906–1907").
 - *Bibliografijos žinios. Knygos, 2011*. ("Bibliographical News. Books. 2011").
 - *Bibliografijos žinios. Garso ir vaizdo įrašai, elektroniniai išteklių, 2011*. ("Bibliographical News. Sound Recordings, Video Recordings and Electronic Resources. 2011").
 - *Bibliografijos žinios. Serialiniai leidiniai, 2011*. ("Bibliographical News. Serials. 2011").
 - *Ekspresinformacija apie naujus spaudinius, išėjusius Lietuvoje*. ("Express Information on the Latest Publications Issued in Lithuania" (printed weekly and e-bulletin).
 - *Numatomos leisti knygos, 2012*. ("List of Forthcoming Books 2012") (e-bulletin).
- ◆ The following annual statistical publication was prepared and issued:
 - *Lietuvos spaudos statistika, 2011*. ("Lithuanian Library Statistics, 2011").



Planned for 2013

- ◆ Continuing production of the national current and retrospective bibliography, including issuance of the following publications:
 - Parts "Books", "Sound Recordings, Video Recordings and Electronics Resources" and "Serials" of the national current bibliography publication "Bibliographical News 2012".
 - Bulletins "Express Information on the Latest Publications Issued in Lithuania 2013" and "List of Forthcoming Books 2013".
 - The checklist *Knygos lietuvių kalba. 1918–1940: kontrolinis sąrašas, t.2, raidės T-Ž*. ("Books in Lithuanian. 1918–1940: the checklist, v. 2, letters T-Ž")
 - *Lietuvos spaudos statistika, 2012*. ("Lithuanian Publishing Statistics 2012").
- ◆ Continuing research of Lithuanian retrospective printings; creation of bibliographic records for NBDB forming a basis for preparing of the following bibliographic indexes: Lithuanian Bibliography. Series A, Books in Lithuanian. V. 3: 1905–1917 book 3, Lithuanian Bibliography. Series C, Lithuanian Periodical Publications. Part. 3; Lithuanian Bibliography. Series B, Lithuanian Periodicals, 1823–1940; and the following checklists: Books in Polish published in Lithuania in the 18th c., Books in Hebrew published in Lithuania, Books in Lithuanian. 1918–1940 V.2. Further collecting and research of Lithuanian pseudonyms, maintaining and updating the database of pseudonyms.
- ◆ Continuing retroconversion of the national bibliography with 2,000 records from the publication *Knygos lietuvių kalba. 1918–1940* ("Books in Lithuanian. 1918–1940") to be integrated into NBDB.

Task 3

Development and management of the most comprehensive collection of humanities and social sciences documents in Lithuania

Results for 2012

- ◆ 47,368 physical units of documents were acquired in 2012. 121 thousand LTL were allocated for acquisition of documents (against 47,757 physical units and 66 thousand LTL in 2011). Legal deposit copies constituted 61% of documents acquired (against 91% in 2011).
- ◆ The National Library participated in the exchange of documents among eight Lithuanian institutions and 109 partners from abroad. Valuable publications were donated by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, the law firm Motieka&Audzevičius, prof. Tomas Venclova, Marina Kulchinskaya (Sweden), Italian Cultural Institute and other institutions and individuals.

Structure and development of the National Library collection (excluding the National Archival Fund of Published Documents)

Documents (physical units)	Acquired in 2011	Acquired in 2012	Total number in 2012
Books and serials	29,673	26,415	3,671,449
Manuscripts	1,308	1,757	77,748
Microforms	17	-	81,139
Cartographic documents	175	191	10,906
Printed music documents	235	138	104,015
Audiovisual documents	859	984	78,868
Graphic documents	24	38	31,830
Databases in physical media	2	1	1,959
Electronic serials in physical media	197	187	1,251
Other digital documents in physical media	151	273	997
Other documents	1,945	1,051	18,929
In total:			
physical units	34,586	31,025	4,079,091
titles	12,887	16,082	1,766,606

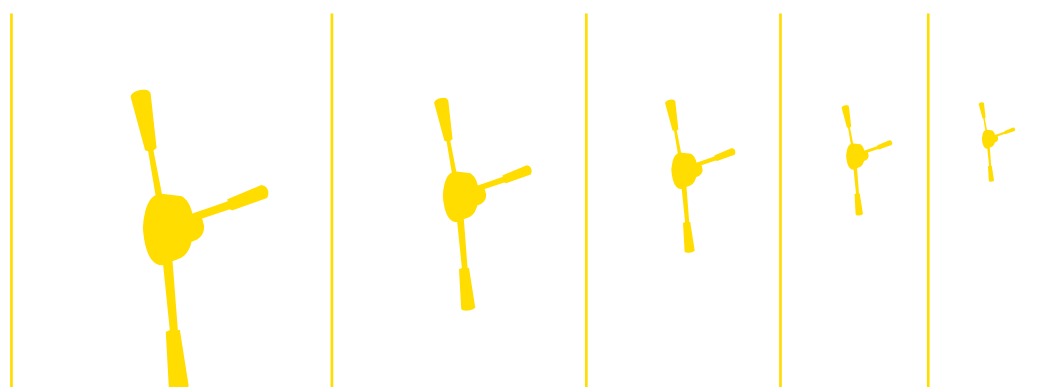
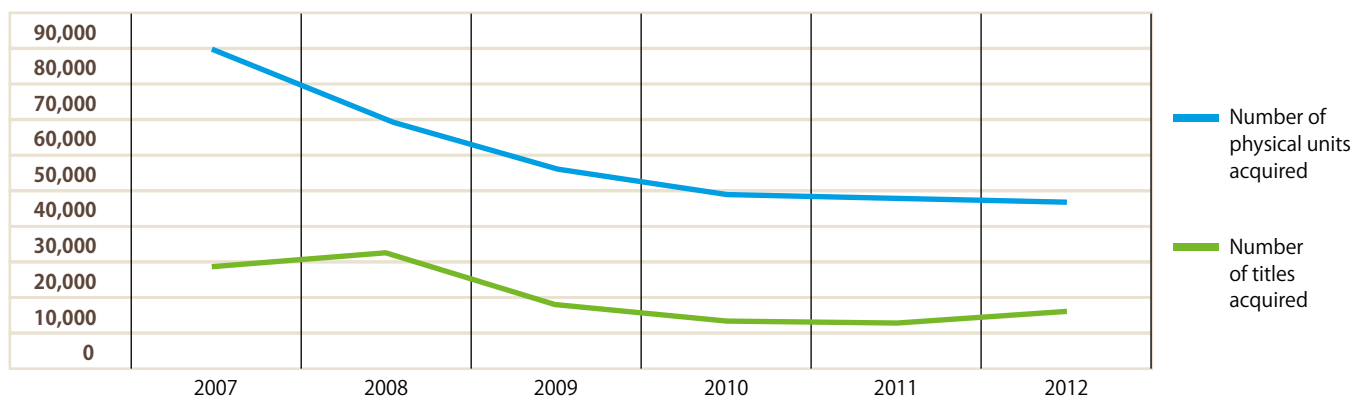


Renovation of the National Library continues – On July 30, 2012 contract on funding and administering of the project “Reconstruction of the National Library’s main building at Gedimino ave. 51, Vilnius” was signed. Funding of the structural funds of the ES will help to raise the power usage efficiency through implementation of energy-saving measures.

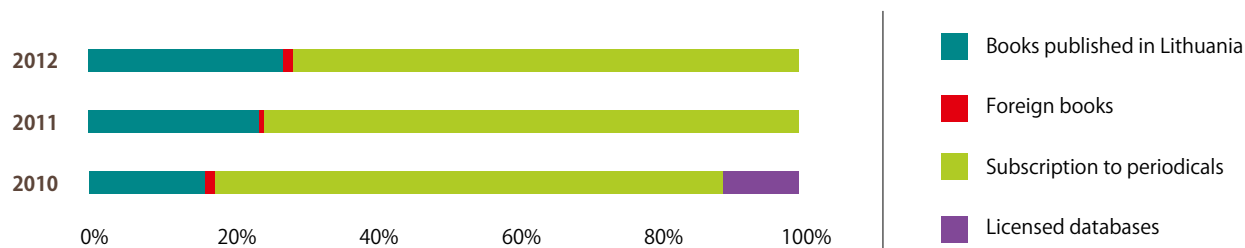
Planned for 2013

- ◆ Adding 44,000 items and 13,500 document titles to the National Library collection. Development of the exchange of Lithuanian and foreign documents through participation in document exchange programmes, cooperation with the Italian Cultural Institute, the Polish Insitute, *The East and Central Europe Journal Donaton Project* promoters, the Turkish Embassy, the Embassy of the People's Republic of China in book donation projects.
- ◆ Continuing subscription to databases in association with the Lithuanian Research Library Consortium and eIFL; and enriching information resources with electronic documents from licensed databases.

Number of documents acquired in 2006/12



Distribution of Acquisitions Funds within the National Library in 2010/12



In 2012 most of the allocations (72%) were budgeted for the subscription to periodicals, 27.5% for books published in Lithuania, and 0.5% for foreign books.

Task 4

Ensuring long-term preservation of the manuscript and published cultural heritage

Results for 2012

- ◆ The following tasks for the long-term preservation of documents were accomplished by the Document Conservation and Restoration Centre (hereafter, DKRC, *Dokumentų konservavimo ir restauravimo centras*): 32,383 conditional pages of documents and 86 bindings restored; 1,303 documents cleaned and disinfected (8,460 documents from the collection stored at the St. George church premises were cleaned additionally as they were moved from it); 540 periodicals bound; 3,213 individual protective wrappers and boxes produced; 62,026 frames of books and periodicals microfilmed.
- ◆ Within the framework of its functions as a national research and methodical centre for preservation, conservation and restoration of library collections, DKRC constantly provides consultations for libraries and other institutions on issues of long-term preservation of documents, performs research and prepares various methodical materials. The lecture "Maintenance of the library's collections. Preservation and usage of the documents" was delivered to the National Library's collection maintenance staff, participated by 80 specialists. Workshops "Neutralization and alkalization of paper documents" and "Mechanized restoration of documents using paper moulding machine: theory and practice" were organized in cooperation with the Vilnius University. One restorer from DKRC upgraded his qualification category.
- ◆ The National Library has designed a unique programme for library collections verification and assessment. In 2012, assessment of the state of documents published during 1600–1900 period and preserved at the National Archival Fund of Published Documents was implemented. In line with the approved methods, the state of printed documents was tested and higher-risk groups were identified. The most frequently observed damage was the following: acid paper containing lignin (3,226 documents), mold (989 documents), and lost covers (623 documents).
- ◆ In line with The National Library Staff Training Plan for 2012, special training programme on document preservation was designed, and 48 National Library's collection maintenance staff employees were trained.

Planned for 2013

- ◆ Reestablishment of the functionality of time-worn and harmed documents by restoring 28,000 conditional leaves of documents and restoring/reconstructing 90 bindings of documents. Saving from deterioration 5,200 written heritage document items through conservation, disinfection, binding and production of special wrappers and boxes. Cleaning of 30,000 physical units of documents to be moved from the St. George church premises.
- ◆ Further implementation of the programme for the assessment of the state of documents of the National Archival Fund of Published Documents, assessment of all periodicals of the period provided for in the programme.
- ◆ Organizing self-training workshops on advantages of passive conservation, applying of metal casting processes for consolidation of time-worn media, and carton folding.
- ◆ Provision of methodical assistance for Lithuanian public libraries, presentation of lectures, practical courses and trainings to collection maintenance staff.



Interdepartmental seminar "Document preservation and conservation in memory institutions in 2008/12" for restorers took place in the National Library's training centre in Pakretuonė.



GOAL 2

DEVELOPMENT OF THE INTEGRATED ELECTRONIC HERITAGE SYSTEM ENSURING PRESERVATION OF CULTURAL HERITAGE OBJECTS, ACCESS TO THEM AND THEIR INTEGRATION INTO A SINGLE DIGITAL SPACE OF LITHUANIAN AND EUROPEAN CULTURAL HERITAGE

The National Library endeavours to sustain implementation of the Strategy for Digitization of the Lithuanian Cultural Heritage, Digital Content Preservation and Access. Together with digitization and coordination centres of the Lithuanian Art Museum and the Office of the Chief Archivist of Lithuania, it develops virtual electronic cultural heritage system ensuring internet access, long-term preservation, and effective dissemination of digitized cultural heritage content, its integration into *Europeana*. The ultimate goal of the programme is

including of digitized content created by memory institutions and other institutions related to cultural heritage into a single electronic heritage system with the aim to ensure comprehensiveness and integrity of Lithuanian cultural heritage. Implementation of the ontology uniting digitized cultural heritage created by different agencies shall ensure an effective semantic search and dissemination of the content. Coordination of these activities is of great importance to the interplay of institutions related to cultural heritage. The project

for designing of a system for digitization monitoring was launched by the National Library, aiming at coordination of digitization activities performed in the country's institutions. The system will provide a precise information about digitization activities performed by the country's institutions, prevent duplication of functions, and save financial and human resources.

The following one objective supports the achievement of this goal. Three tasks frame the objective.

Objective 1

Creation and development of virtual electronic heritage system

Task 1

Setting legal, organizational and other essential conditions for supporting the functions of the National Library as a digitization centre in line with the Strategy for Digitization of the Lithuanian Cultural Heritage, Digital Content Preservation and Access

Results for 2012

- ◆ The agreement on financing of the system for digitization monitoring from the state budget funds was concluded on June 2012, launching development of the system. Work on analysis, designing and programming of an applied software was started in 2012.
- ◆ Europeana Foundation and the National Library signed the agreement on integration of digitized Lithuanian cultural heritage into the *Europeana* portal. The National Library was given rights of Data Aggregator. As of December 31, 2012, three collections were exported to www.europeana.eu portal: Roman Catholic Church heritage books (2,663 objects) digitized by the Office of the Chief Archivist of Lithuania (Historical Archive), documents (13,833 objects) digitized by Lithuanian Art Museum and Lithuanian Theatre, Music and Cinema Museum, and documents (31,260 objects) digitized by the National Library and other 7 Lithuanian libraries. In total, 47,756 objects were integrated into *Europeana* portal in 2012.
- ◆ Since 12 September, 2012 descriptive data of digitized documents in *Europeana* portal was given the Open Access under a Creative Commons Attribution License. This was an important stimulus for implementation of open access ideas and initiatives. Descriptive data of the Lithuanian cultural heritage in *Europeana* can be available for users in implementation of new products and services and design of mobile equipment software and applications.
- ◆ The National Centre for Digitization and the Virtual Electronic Heritage System performed functions of competence centre providing consultations for other producers of digital content on description of digital objects and electronic resources, standardization of creation, preservation and dissemination of digital content. The specialists working in the Centre participated in IT project management training courses organized by the Information Society Development Committee.

Planned for 2013

- ◆ Development of activities of the National Centre for Digitization and the Virtual Electronic Heritage System to achieve the following goals:
 - ensuring digitization of Lithuanian documentary heritage, coordination of bibliographic description of the digital content on the national level, and interoperability with other memory institutions, thus enabling creation of integrated digital content of Lithuanian cultural heritage and access to it;
 - maintaining and developing the integrated virtual electronic heritage system and the portal www.epaveldas.lt

by supplementing it with cultural heritage objects digitized by memory institutions;

- organizing trainings for digitization professionals in Lithuania's libraries and other memory institutions on issues of digitization, long-term preservation, promotion and standardization of the cultural heritage as well as an interplay of memory institutions;

- ◆ Introducing and development of the system for digitization monitoring, and performing the monitoring and assessment of digitization activities in Lithuania.

Task 2

Creation of the digital content of the documentary heritage preserved in Lithuanian libraries

Results for 2012

- ◆ Completion of the project "Development of the Virtual Electronic Heritage System" has resulted in the following achievements: complete infrastructure of digitization of Lithuanian cultural heritage, integral and diverse digitized content, semantic search based software ensuring service quality. 125,000 objects were integrated into the portal www.epaveldas.lt.
- ◆ Digitization of 27.5 thousand books, periodicals and manuscripts, and 207 old Lithuanian shellac and vinyl records

(1,148 music works) by the National Library and other Lithuanian libraries; digitization of 2,999 art works, printed documents and church books by museums and archives; and optical recognition of 15 thousand pages of periodicals from 1823–1940.

- ◆ Delivering of 17.7 thousand bibliographic records of books, periodicals and manuscripts to the portal www.europeana.eu.

Planned for 2013

- ◆ Further implementation of the project "Presenting Classical Works of Lithuanian Literature Online" providing digitization, optical recognition, structurization, converting and integration into the Virtual Electronic Heritage System database of 600 works of Lithuanian literature as well as providing access for potential users to digitized Lithuanian literature works so ensuring their accessibility via internet for all habitants of Lithuania.
- ◆ Further development of the virtual electronic heritage system, digitization of 32 thousand books, periodicals and

manuscripts by the National Library and other Lithuanian libraries. Further participation in digitization of sound records from the archival fund of Lithuanian vinyl and shellac records of the National Library. Coordination of digitization of art works, printed documents, and church books in museums and archives, optical recognition of 5 thousand pages of periodicals from 1823–1940.

- ◆ Delivering of 5 thousand books, periodicals and manuscripts to the portal www.europeana.eu.



The lesson for pupils of the 9th and 12th grade *What our antecedents read* on May 7 – the Press Day at the library of Žemyna gymnasium



Task 3

Development of the data bank of the digital cultural heritage content

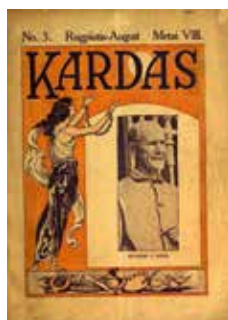
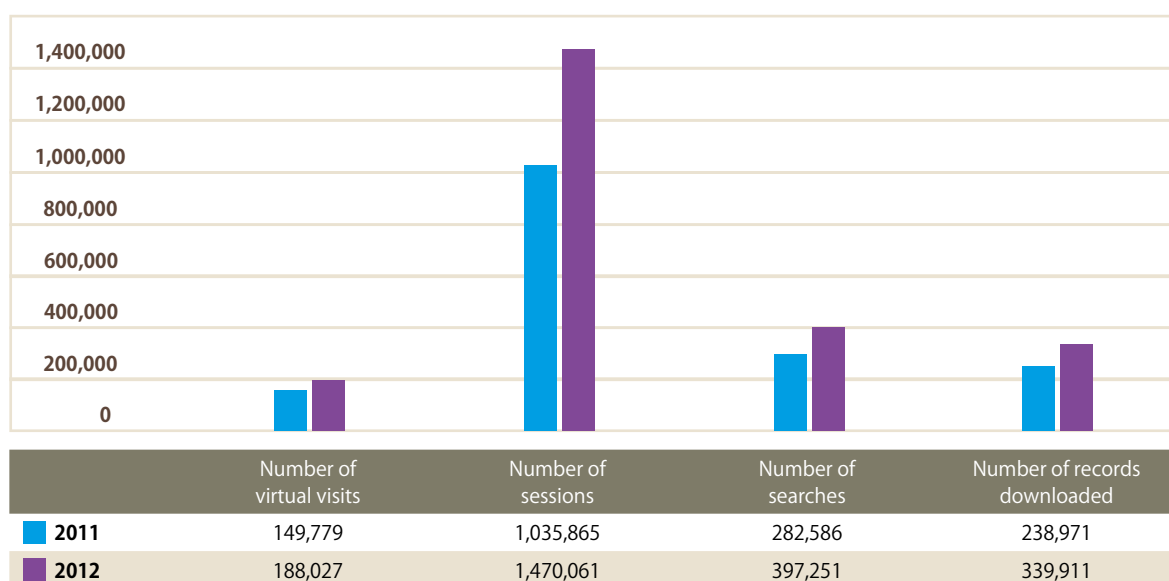
Results for 2012

- ◆ Delivering of 14,348 digitized document objects (4,577 audio documents among them) to the databank of the Virtual Electronic Heritage System and the portal www.epaveldas.lt. As of the end of 2012, the portal contained over 226.8 thousand objects (among them, 192.3 thousand objects delivered by the National Library).
- ◆ Development of the portal www.epaveldas.lt caused further development of electronic services and increasing of number of diverse cultural heritage objects accessible. Downloading of higher resolution documents became possible (users had downloaded 60 images of the highest resolution).

Planned for 2013

- ◆ Coordination of the creation of digital content metadata on the national level;
- ◆ Delivering of 12 thousand digitized objects to the Virtual Electronic Heritage System and the portal www.epaveldas.lt.

Usage of e-services via the portal www.epaveldas.lt in 2011/12



GOAL 3

PERFORMING THE FUNCTIONS OF A PARLIAMENTARY LIBRARY

For performing the functions of a parliamentary library, the Parliamentary Information Department was established in 1991 with the prime responsibility to provide reference and information services for the governing bodies of the Seimas of the Republic of Lithuania, members of the Seimas, their advisers and public servants. During more than the two

decades of performing its functions of a parliamentary library, the National Library accomplished and refined services for Lithuanian parliamentarians and members of the Government of the Republic of Lithuania. Since 2004 the National Library has been issuing the periodical scientific research publication *Parlamento studijos* ("Parliamentary Studies") presenting material

related to the issues of the expression of democratic processes, history, law, political sciences, language and dissemination of information. We aspire to retain this status, for few of national libraries have a status of a parliamentary library.

The following one objective supports the achievement of this goal.

Objective 1

Provision of information services for members of the Seimas of the Republic of Lithuania, the Government of the Republic of Lithuania and other government institutions

Results for 2012

- ◆ 32,400 bibliographic records for articles from periodicals created and of 213 press reviews prepared providing wide coverage of activities by members of the Seimas, the Prime Minister, ministers and Lithuanian members of the European Parliament, actions of political parties, current political, economic and legal affairs of the country. The following bibliographic reviews were prepared:
 - the review of the Lithuanian municipal press;
 - the review of the Lithuanian regional press;
 - the press review on Lithuanian political parties, movements and administrative sectors;
 - the bibliographical review on legal issues;
 - the review of Polish press.
- ◆ 210 bibliographic queries answered and of 102 bibliographic lists prepared. In 2012 Prof. Vytautas Landsbergis, the first Head of State in the re-established independent Lithuania, celebrated his 80th birth anniversary. During

celebration at the Seimas of the Republic of Lithuania he received a present from the National Library of Lithuania – works prepared by the Parliamentary Information Department "Chronicle of activities of the Chairman of the Supreme Council Vytautas Landsbergis (1990–1991)", "Bibliography of Vytautas Landsbergis' books (1963–2012)", and "Publications of the member of the European Parliament Vytautas Landsbergis in Lithuanian periodicals (July 2004 – September 2012)".

- ◆ New information about the January events and celebration of the Freedom Defenders' Day from Lithuanian regional press added to the website www.laisve15.lt dedicated to Freedom Defenders' Day, the 13th of January, and maintained by the National Library.
- ◆ Issuance of No. 12 of the periodical scientific research publication "Parliamentary Studies".



Planned for 2013

- ◆ Provision of current comprehensive bibliographic information about the Lithuania's holding the Presidency of the Council of the European Union in the second half of 2013.
- ◆ Continuing collaboration with the Department of Parliamentary Research at the Seimas of the Republic of Lithuania

in providing current bibliographical information as well as press and thematic reviews for the members of the Seimas.

- ◆ Issuance of Nos. 13 and 14 of the scientific research publication "Parliamentary Studies".

GOAL 4

ENSURING ACCESS TO KNOWLEDGE AND INFORMATION, DEVELOPMENT OF LIBRARY SERVICES IN ORDER TO ACHIEVE REALIZATION OF INFORMATION SOCIETY APPROACHES

The recent rapid development of ICT and tremendously increasing flow of knowledge and information as well as new tools for its dissemination offered new possibilities for the National Library to step into new levels of performance, make essential improvements in operational processes, and ensure establishment and development of services provided on the basis of new information technologies. Taking into account these possibilities and meeting the challenges of renovation of the National Library's main building (decreasing of number of workplaces for library users, among others), the National Library sets the following long-term priority activities: collection and dissemination of electronic information resources, creation

of on-line access to content and knowledge, development of interactive and electronic services. Positive impact on the quality of information services to the society prove also recent statistical indicators of usage of e-services provided by the National Library.

The infrastructure created during the period of implementation of the projects financed from EU and other sources will continue to serve for the development of new information services, thus strengthening the significance of the National Library as a service provider within the society and the Lithuanian library system. New technologies offer new possibilities for working, learning, entertainment, communication, and free self-express-

sion. Services migrate to i-Pads, e-reading devices and smart mobile phones. The new investment project "Introducing e-publications for the reader and implementation of intellectual search for e-resources within library catalogues" was launched by the National Library in 2012. It will provide for the development of popular services concerning e-catalogues, reader consultation, etc. via mobile devices, and giving more focus to creation of new services and making traditional services more attractive to the user. The renovated website of the National Library was opened in June 2012.

The following one objective supports the achievement of this goal. Two tasks frame the objective.

Objective 1

Establishment of full-scale access to the National Library holdings, development of electronic services

Task 1

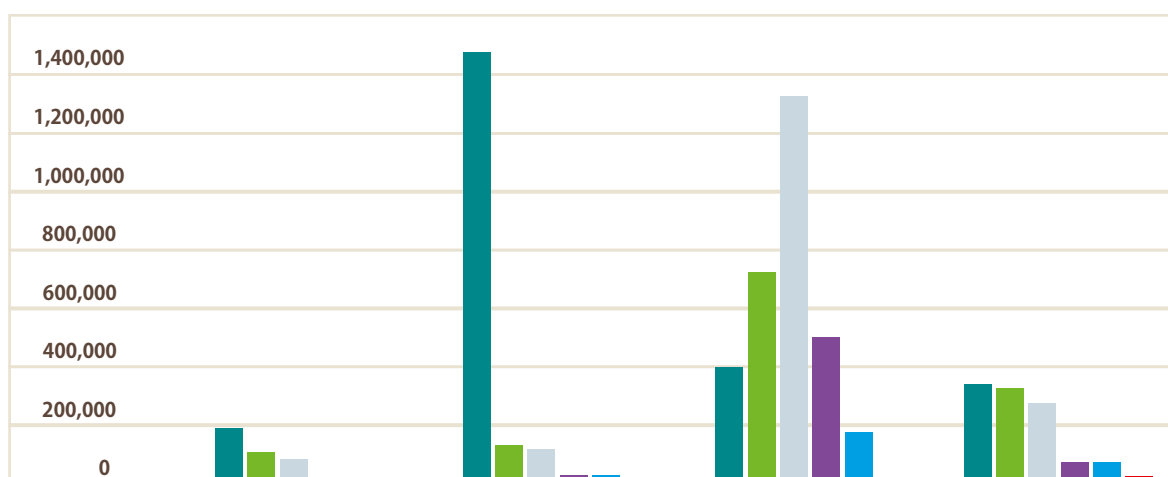
Establishment of full-scale access to the National Library holdings by means of modern technologies

Results for 2012

- ◆ 49.5 thousand records added to the Electronic Catalogue of the National Library with the total number of records in the catalogue amounting to 885.5 thousand at the end of the year. Due to the decrease in current acquisitions, one of the key tasks of the National Library for 2012 remained re-cataloguing of earlier received documents and updating the existing records.
- ◆ As of the end of 2012, there were 658.8 thousand authority records in the authority records database of the National Library. Besides the National Library, the records were created by the Wroblewski Library of the Lithuanian Academy of Sciences, the Lithuanian Technical Library and the Kaunas County Public Library. 81 Lithuanian libraries were subscribers to this database in 2011.
- ◆ 3.9 million (against 2.8 million in 2011) searches and 1.9 million (against 1.3 million in 2011) sessions performed in the National Library's catalogues and databases, and 1.4 million (against 1.3 million in 2011) records downloaded. There was a significant increase in the number of visitors to the web portal of libraries, museums and archives www.epaveldas.lt; number of virtual visits to this portal increased by 25.5 percent.

Planned for 2013

- ◆ Adding 50,000 new records to the National Library's Electronic Catalogue with the major focus on updating the existing records, development of the National Library's electronic catalogues quality control mechanism.
- ◆ Continuing participation in the Subject Authority Cooperative Programme (SACO) and supplying Lithuania related subject headings to the Library of Congress Subject Headings within the framework of further cooperation with the Library of Congress (USA).



	Number of virtual visits	Number of sessions	Number of searches	Number of records downloaded
E.paveldas	188,027	1,470,061	397,251	339,911
LIBIS SK	102,108	128,359	718,980	321,941
EK	77,305	114,607	1,323,297	272,306
VK	10,348	22,065	496,294	73,022
NBDB	17,307	23,797	167,940	65,646
EIA	2,041	4,243	2,832	19,002

E. paveldas – data bank of the digital heritage content of libraries, museums and archives;

LIBIS SK – Union Catalogue of Lithuanian libraries;

EK – Electronic Catalogue of the National Library;

VK – Image Catalogue;

NBDB – National Bibliographic Data Bank;

EIA – Archive of Electronic Resources.



The exhibition "Voices of Spring" devoted to the 150th birth anniversary of prominent Lithuanian poet Maironis and prepared by the National Library was opened in the Parliament during the annual meeting of the Lithuanian World Community on August 9.



Integrated lesson on IT and vocational guidance "Information technologies in the National Library".

Task 2

Improving the quality of library services, development of electronic services

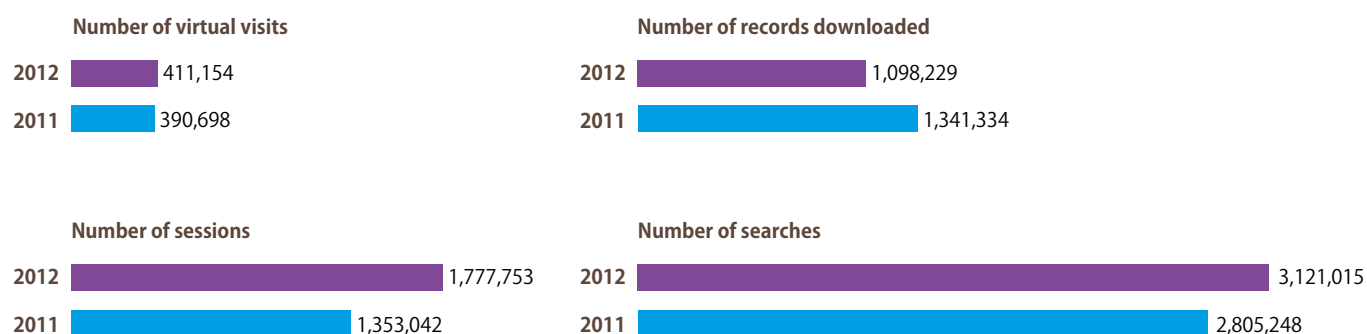
Results for 2012

- ◆ Participation of the National Library in the project “eMoDB.LT: Electronic Scientific Databases Go to Lithuania” implemented by the Association of Lithuanian Research Libraries and licensing of 41 databases, including 4 Lithuanian and 34 foreign databases, and 3 database archives containing over 20.7 thousand full-text periodicals, 14.1 thousand full-text e-books and other publications accessible to users. The users got access to the *Refworks* – online bibliographic management program that allows users to create a personal database of references and generate bibliographies; they could easily gather, manage, store and share all types of information from licensed databases and other electronic sources. Special attention was paid to promotion and advertising of the databases.
- ◆ The National Library, being national editor of the Lithuanian open archive *E-LIS* since 2011 and undertaking responsibility for the submission of scientific documents prepared in Lithuania to *E-LIS* as well as promotion of this archive in Lithuania, continued submission of scientific works of Lithuanian scientists and researchers, specialists and practitioners of librarianship and information to the freely accessible thematic archive of *E-LIS*. In 2012, 37 articles of Lithuanian authors were added to the archive.
- ◆ There was a slight decrease in the usage of electronic resources caused by decrease in subscriptions of data bases: 23 thousand (against 33 thousand in 2011) virtual users visited Lithuanian and international databases, 334 thousand records (against 302 thousand in 2011) were downloaded and 129 thousand searches (against 129 thousand in 2011) performed.
- ◆ The users' need to get answers to their queries and receiving information via e-mail has been increasing. The “Ask the Librarian” service offers operative and comprehensive answers to the queries, removing time and space barriers for their users. The number of such queries increased by 3.9% in comparison with 2011; the permanent increase could be noticed during the last ten years. Queries submitted to “Ask the Librarian” varied in topic: the majority of them (33.3%) were related to the search of a particular document, 31.4% were thematic queries, 17.8% were related to the use of the National Library's catalogues and subscribed databases, and 17.5% were concerned with National Library services including *i-library*, *e-heritage*, making hard and electronic copies.
- ◆ The Library's users paid increasing attention to the portal of electronic services www.ibiblioteka.lt, created within the scope of the project “Development of Interactive Electronic Services for Ordering and Receiving Publications at Public Libraries” implemented by the National Library, and opened at the end of 2011. There the users could get the following e-services: ordering the reader's card, using an automatic reference system and personal administering of the time for receiving documents, ordering and receiving full-text documents, document copies or their digitized parts, and making payments for them, subscribing news about the National Library and other public libraries, services provided or available documents. In 2012, 70 new readers of the National Library ordered their readers' cards, 62 readers re-registered it, 193 users got answers to 989 queries, 260 users subscribed for news, 203 electronic copies were ordered and received via the portal. The following online resources of the National Library were the most popular among virtual visitors:
 - the National Library's catalogues and databases;
 - the catalogue of references to information resources on the web;
 - the National Library's electronic publications;
 - subscribed databases with online access;
 - virtual exhibitions.
- ◆ In order to ensure the broader dissemination of cultural services and information resources collected by the National Library, the library's specialists prepare and publish on the Library's website:
 - Biobibliographies of the prominent Lithuanian public characters prepared using library's catalogues, databases, card indexes, digitized documents from the portal www.e.paveldas.lt, the other library's collections. 41 biobibliographies are already online, 10 of them created in 2012: Juozas Eretas, Petras Vileišis, Kazimieras Vasiliauskas, Aleksandras Stulginskis et.al.
 - Thematic virtual exhibitions. The most popular in 2012 were exhibitions devoted to the 100th birth anniversary of Prof. L. Vladimirovas, the 150th birth anniversary of prominent Lithuanian poet Maironis, the 80th birth anniversaries of Prof. Vytautas Landsbergis and the President Algirdas Mykolas Brazauskas.
 - More Library's departments become interested in possibility of promotion of the information resources they possess online; network of partners (institutions and persons) willing to contribute to the National Library's virtual exhibitions has been growing continuously.
 - Virtual presentations on newly acquired books in the Information Centre, Art and Music departments (100 presentations were prepared in 2012).
- ◆ The following electronic serials were prepared and published on the Library's website:
 - *Bibliotekinių naujienos* (“Library Science News”): publications from Lithuania and other countries on library science theory, methodology and history, library activities and other issues;
 - *Depozitinių fondų naujienos* (“Deposit Collections News”): bibliographic indexes of 2011 publications by the International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA), the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development (World Bank) and the International Monetary Fund;
 - Bulletins *Ekspresinformacija apie naujus spaudinius, išėjusius Lietuvoje* (“Express Information on New Publications Issued in Lithuania”) and *Numatomos leisti knygos* (“Forthcoming Books”);
 - Information bulletin *Europos Sąjunga: informacija apie naujai gautus dokumentus* (“European Union: Information on Newly Acquired Publications”);
 - Information bulletin *LNB Informacijos centro naujienos* (“Newsletter of the Information Centre”);
 - Bibliographic index *Tarptautinio saugumo ir NATO nauji leidiniai* (“New Publications on the International Security and NATO”).

Planned for 2013

- ◆ Implementation of the project "eMoDB.LT: Electronic Scientific Databases Go to Lithuania – Stage 2" under the leadership of the Lithuanian Research Library Association and financed from the EU Structural Funds will result in access for the National Library's readers and remote users to information resources of 29 databases (4 Lithuanian, 22 foreign, and 3 database archives). Subscription of online bibliographic management program *Refworks* has been prolonged.
- ◆ In line with the approach of free access to information and knowledge, among the intended activities are those related to promotion of open access to scientific materials and ensuring this access at the National Library. Special attention will be paid to popularization of the open archive E-LIS and its possibilities.
- ◆ Elaborating ways and means for preparation and promotion of virtual exhibitions presenting newly acquired books as well as those dedicated to anniversaries of prominent cultural figures and significant events in the life of nation, and engaging the public to get acquainted with these exhibitions and appreciate them, thus becoming creators of their content. Further development of cooperation with the Vilnius University Library and the Wroblewski Library of the Lithuanian Academy of Sciences through common cultural projects, especially dedicated to events and dates included into the programmes for dates of national significance.
- ◆ Collection and organization of information about prominent figures in the Lithuanian literature and science, their work and creative and scientific research achievements as well as other materials, and launching this information onto the National Library network. Taking into account the society's interests, comprehensive bibliography and iconography of outstanding Lithuanian people, and full-text documents related to them, will be accessible to the users.

Statistics on the use of the National Library's electronic catalogues



Reader service indicators

	2011	2012	Planned for 2013
Registered readers	13,751	12,595	14,000
Visitors to the library's reading rooms	129,865	122,804	130,000
Documents borrowed	1,332,994	1,166,035	1,200,000
Bibliographic queries answered	37,439	33,523	37,000
- including by electronic means	2,950	2,978	3,000
Interlibrary loan services			
- number of documents ordered	3,707	3,020	3,465
- number of documents received and sent	4,031	2,793	3,125
Number of licenced databases	43	43	29
Number of workplaces in reading rooms	253	253	253



GOAL 5

EVOLVING NATIONAL LIBRARY SCIENCE THEORY AND PRACTICE, AND STRENGTHENING THE DYNAMICS OF INTEGRATION INTO THE GLOBAL LIBRARY SCIENCE PROCESSES

In 2012 research and methodical activities of the National Library were developed in line with the following priorities: monitoring and analysis of changes in library performance, studying and promotion of theory and practice of library studies in Lithuanian and foreign libraries, research in library science, bibliography and books science, implementation of culture development projects, dissemination of the newest knowledge in the field of cultural research. The issues that gained major currency and significance were standardization of library performance, drafting legal regulations, interoperability among libraries and other memory institutions, improving access to the national cultural heritage, and advancement of staff competences. Much focus was on issues concerning the inventory control of documentary collections of libraries.

Reorganization of the Library Science Centre started in 2012 thus creating presumptions for development of communication with the Ministry of

Culture of Lithuania and other institutions, taking more active part in updating of the system for the development of library staff competences, modern training programmes and continued learning, and coordination of cooperation with the county public libraries in the spheres of staff training, methodical activities and other important issues. The Library Science Centre aims to establishing itself as a coordinator of international professional relations in the structure of the National Library.

In 2013 the Children Literature Centre commemorates its 50 years anniversary. This is a unique centre in Lithuania, engaged in promotion of the national children literature and reading in the country and abroad, carrying on investigations into readability and publishing of children's literature in cooperation with the National Reading Promotion Association. The Centre also takes part in activities of International Board on Books for Young People (IBBY). The Centre has significant input into scientific and

methodical activities of the National Library.

The *LiBiTop* project shall be implemented in 2013 by the Lithuanian Academic Libraries Directors' Association (LABA), aiming at development of strategic planning measures which should help libraries' management and governmental institutions performing supervision of the libraries' activities to adopt decisions on future library development possibilities and perspectives. The specialists of the National Library together with representatives of science, education and governmental institutions take part in elaboration of scenarios for libraries' future until 2023. The *LiBiTop* project concentrates efforts on the state-level libraries and county public libraries as strategically important actors of the Lithuanian libraries' network, having major influence on development of the whole network.

The following one objective supports the achievement of this goal. Five tasks frame the objective.

Objective 1

Monitoring, research, analysis and standardization of libraries' activities developments, dissemination of modern librarianship and library practice

Task 1

Expansion of scientific research and methodological activity in library science, bibliography and book science

Results for 2012

- ♦ The following scientific research areas were covered:

Lithuanian music documents

- Research into production of shellac records during the period of 1940–1960. An article devoted to commemoration of the 20th anniversary of UNESCO Memory of the World Programme "Documents from collections of the National Library of Lithuania in the Memory of the World National Register" was published in the magazine "In the World of the Books". Research into collection of Lithuanian records donated to the National library by the expatriate musician and collector of Lithuanian records Vytautas Strolia (USA). An article "Collection of Vytautas Strolia in the National Library" was prepared for the magazine "In the World of the Books".

- Participation in the creation of the international abstract information database of music literature RILM (preparation and submitting bibliographic data and abstracts on Lithuanian musicological literature (70 records)).

National bibliography

- Publication of the bibliographic index *Lietuviškų periodinių leidinių publikacijos, 1906–1907. Serija C* ("Publications of Lithuanian Periodicals, 1906–1907 (Series C)");
- Further investigation of Lithuanian retrospective printings, creation of bibliographic records for NBDB which shall make a basis for preparing of the following bibliographic indexes: Lithuanian Bibliography. Series A, Books in Lithuanian. V. 3: 1905–1917 book 3, Lithuanian Bibliography. Series C, Lithuanian Periodical Publications. Part. 3;

Lithuanian Bibliography. Series B, Lithuanian Periodicals, 1823–1940, and the following checklists: Books in Polish published in Lithuania in the 18th c., Books in Hebrew published in Lithuania, Books in Lithuanian. 1918–1940 V.2;

- further collecting and research of Lithuanian pseudonyms, development and updating of the database of pseudonyms.

Manuscripts, rare and old books

- Analysis and description of manuscript document collections of the following individuals and organizations: Antanas Poška, Algimantas Lukošius and Vincas Kisarauskas, the archives of Lithuanian Emigrants and Vilnius Chapter.
- Taking part in the creation of series A/II “Music manuscripts after 1600” of the union information bibliographic database of old printed music (RISM) of IAML (International Association of Music Libraries). Bibliographic data on five manuscripts preserved at the National Library were identified and delivered to this database.
- The National Library's Rare Books and Manuscripts Department together with the Department of Slavic and Baltic Languages of the Illinois University (USA) contributed to the preparation of the Individual Written Lithuanian Language Database. This project aims to collect letters by ordinary people unknown to the public. 1,267 letters were collected and described. This material has special significance for investigators of the Lithuanian language history and the written heritage. In 2012 active promotion of the project activities was organized in public libraries of Lithuania.

Preservation and promotion of cultural heritage

- The reports: “Creation and dissemination of integral digital content of Lithuanian cultural heritage” and “Virtual Electronic Heritage System – the future of promotion of cultural heritage in regions” were prepared and delivered at Lithuanian and international conferences. The last-mentioned report was also presented at the meeting with representatives of the Association of County Public Libraries.

Information and documentation standards and terminology

- Endorsement of the ISO standard LST ISO 25964-1:2012 Information and documentation - Thesauri and interoperability with other vocabularies - Part 1: Thesauri for information retrieval (ISO 25964-1:2011, identical)).
- Endorsement of the following two European standards:
LST EN 16341:2012 Selection of standards and standard-like documents for defence products and

services - Order of preference;

LST CEN/TS 16371:2012 Guidelines for implementors of EN 15744 and EN 15907.

- Participation in activities of the IFLA Permanent UNIMARC Committee and making proposals for the improvement of the UNIMARC format.

Investigations into readability and publishing of children's literature

- Implementation of the Reading Promotion Measures Implementation Programme which shall extend the State Reading Promotion Programme. The main event of the year was the international conference “Children's Literature – Freedom and Control” organized together with the Vilnius University and devoted to various problems of children's and teenagers' literature.
- Traditional research was directed towards children's and teenagers' reading habits and the most read books. Results from the readers' survey were analyzed and published. The following summarized conclusions were made: children's reader group had mentioned 1,039 book titles, among them 215 – Lithuanian authors' books; teenagers' reader group – 668 titles (90 – Lithuanian authors). Books issued during the last 10-15 years prevailed. One could observe that upper grade students preferred adults' books to teenagers' books. A new feature emerged – poetry books appeared in the read books list. The most popular Lithuanian author – V. Račickas and his books for teenagers “White Door” and “Unfinished Diary”.
- The books publishing survey was prepared and published in pedagogical and literary periodicals.
- ♦ The following methodological publications were issued:
Šiandien aktu: straipsnių rinkinys bibliotekiniams (“Current Issues: Collection of Articles for Librarians” Nos. 1(46) and 2(47));
Universalioji dešimtainė klasifikacija (UDK) (“Universal Decimal Classification (UDC)”).
- ♦ Provision of methodological support concerning information activities and issues of subscription to databases for public libraries. As in previous years, the National Library organized a centralized subscription to the database *INFOLEX. Praktika* for the public libraries and provided usage statistics for information resources.
- ♦ The integrated plan for scientific research and methodological activities in 2012 was prepared together with other Lithuanian research libraries and educational and training institutions and published on the web.



Planned for 2013

- ♦ Continuing investigation in all the scientific research areas with the main focus on:
 - Integration of public library into municipal cultural policy;
 - Studies of libraries' history;
 - Research of family reading habits, motivation, and trends.

Task 2

Dissemination of information on the development of theory and practice of Lithuanian libraries

Results for 2012

- ◆ 43 articles prepared and published and 60 reports submitted by the National Library staff members. Worth mentioning were the following reports: "Lithuanization of proper names in Beatrix Potter tales" (delivered at the 33rd IBBY Congress in London); "Creation and dissemination of integral digital content of Lithuanian cultural heritage" (delivered at international conference "European Languages in the Age of Technology: Quo Vadis?" in Vilnius), "Development of electronic services: ideas and visions for 2014–2020" (delivered at the workshop of the national libraries of the Baltic states) et al.
- ◆ Collection, processing and publicizing of statistics on the performance of Lithuanian libraries and information on changes of statistical indicators:
 - Presentation of the key data on the 2011 library statistics on the website of the National Library and in the magazine "In the World of Books";
 - Issuance of the digest of statistics Lietuvos bibliotekų 2011 metų statistika ("Lithuanian Library Statistics 2011");
 - Analysis of changes of municipal public libraries performance indicators and presentation of the summarized material in the magazine "In the World of Books".
- ◆ Preparation and publication of methodological recommendations on the following issues concerning library science theory and library practice in the "Current Issues":
 - Methodology of creating analytical bibliographic records;
 - Library performance assessment;
 - Composition of the public library collection;
 - Incorporating periodicals into the inventory control of library collections;
 - Document valuation methods;
 - Application of document preservation regulations;
 - Creation of unified records of titles of music works;
 - Childrens' reading promotion in family, kindergarten and school;
- ◆ Publications of the National Library reflected intellectual activities and editorial work of the National Library and achievements in publishing of professional literature. In 2012 the National Library issued publications (18 titles, 293 printed sheets) with the total print run of 17,340 copies, including bibliographical publications (7 titles), publications on library activity issues (2 titles), library history (1 title); statistical publications (2 titles); normative documents (2 titles), The National Library's booklet and Annual Report for 2011 and Action Plan for 2012 (2 titles), the professional magazine (1 title), and collection of scientific research works (1 title – "Parliamentary Studies"). The implementation level of the Publishing Programme reached 100% in terms of issued publication titles and accordingly 99% and 94% in terms of the scope of publications and print run. High polygraph and artistic quality of the publication "Tomas Venclova: bibliographic index (1956-2011)" deserved special notice. New publications were presented on the Library's website and in the magazine "In the World of the Books". The National Library had its special stand in the Vilnius Book Fair 2012.



The National Library's stand in the Vilnius Book Fair presented not only library's publications but its services provided and projects implemented.



Planned for 2013

- ◆ Collection, processing, analysis and dissemination of the 2012 activity indicators of Lithuanian libraries. Preparation of the following methodological aids, publications on library history and statistics, collections of articles on scientific research activities:
 - *Methodology of composition of library document collection*;
 - *Zarasų savivaldybės viešosios bibliotekos istorija* ("History of the Zarasai Municipal Public Library"), series "Historical sources of Lithuanian libraries history and their research";
 - *Šiandien aktualu: str. rinkinys bibliotekininkams* ("Current Issues: Collection of Articles for Librarians", 2013, Nos. 1(46) and 2(47)) and *Šiandien aktualu: str. rinkinys bibliotekininkams. 2014, Nr. 1(50)* ("Current Issues: Collection of Articles for Librarians", 2014, No. 1(50));
 - *UDK lentelės. 9 skyrius. Geografija. Biografijos. Istorija* ("UDC Tables. Chapter 9. Geography. Biographies. History").
 - *UDK lentelės. 2 skyrius. Religija. Teologija* ("UDC Tables. Chapter 2. Religion. Theology").
 - *Dalykinimo metodikos papildymai* ("Updated Subject Cataloguing Manual")
 - The National Library's icunabula catalogue.
- ◆ The 2013 Publishing Programme includes 18 publication titles. As in previous years, the Programme was developed in accordance with work plans of the National Library's structural units and the interests of the Lithuanian library community.

Task 3

Participation in the standardization of Lithuanian library operations and drafting of legal regulations

Results for 2012

- ◆ Standardization of library operations is one of the key factors of the integration of Lithuanian libraries into international library processes. The following work was performed on international standards in 2012:
 - Endorsement of two European standards:
 - LST EN 16341:2012 Selection of standards and standard-like documents for defence products and services - Order of preference;
 - LST CEN/TS 16371:2012 Guidelines for implementors of EN 15744 and EN 15907
 - Preparation of the Standard Programme 2013;
 - Delivering of the reports "Standardization activities – distinctive space of libraries' communication" at international scientific conference "Scientific library in environment of cultural changes and technological innovations" in Vilnius, and "Lithuanian experience of publishing standards application and its' legal regulation" at the international scientific conference „Book Culture. Past Experience and Nowadays Problems" in Moscow.
- ◆ The Standards and Methodological Department at the Centre for Digitization and the Virtual Electronic Heritage System governs the activities of Technical Committee 47 of the Lithuanian Standardization Board (head Nijolė Blūdžiuvienė).

Planned for 2013

- ◆ Preparation for the publication of the Lithuanian translation of the preliminary consolidated edition of the International Standard Bibliographic Description (ISBD).
- ◆ Drafting of the Lithuanian standard LST ISO "Information and documentation. Digital object identifier system";
- ◆ Participation in the activities of Technical Committee 47 of the Lithuanian Standardization Board, Technical Committee ISO TC 46 "Information and documentation" of the International Organization for Standardization (ISO), and IFLA Permanent UNIMARC Committee.
- ◆ Preparation of the Standard Programme 2014.



The 78th IFLA General Conference "Libraries now!.. Inspiring... surprising... empowering" took place in Helsinki on August 11–17. Participants of the conference (from the left): Nijolė Letukienė (M. Riomeris University Library), Prof. Renaldas Gudauskas (the National Library of Lithuania), Asta Naudžiūnienė (Kaunas County Public Library).



Task 4

Upgrading competences of library staff

Results for 2012

- ◆ The National Library has drafted a new model for the system of upgrading competences of library staff. The proposed model provides for the following hierarchy for organizing training processes: the National Library is responsible for training its own staff and that of county public libraries, whereas the county libraries organize and/or implement library staff training in their regions. The key purpose of the training model is achieving a new quality of library development and ensuring sustainable future for libraries through development of personal and professional competences of library staff.
- ◆ Realization of the National Library's programme for upgrading staff competences was given much consideration in 2012, especially implementation of the new model for the system of upgrading competences of library staff. The total number of the National Library staff who participated at professional training events was 160; over 50 specialists improved their general competences. Though training opportunities decreased in 2011, when the Government of the Republic of Lithuania adopted a regulation on liquidation of the Centre for Professional Improvement of Lithuanian Cultural Workers, more accessible instruments for training were employed to the utmost, such as individual training at the workplace, online training, on target training at conferences, seminars and other training events.
- ◆ The National Library implemented the project "Library Specialists' Training" funded by the Ministry of Culture of the Republic of Lithuania. 58 theoretical and practical training events were organized, covering topical issues such as library management and representation, performance research and evaluation, collections management, reader services etc. 60 groups were trained; 1,259 employees of Lithuanian libraries in total.
- ◆ The National Library participated as a partner in the project "The Common Goal", implemented by the Lithuanian Service Sphere Employers Association together with the Ministry of Social Security and Labour of the Republic of Lithuania.
- ◆ There was a slight reduction in the number of the Library's staff compared to 2011: the total number of the National Library staff was 495 (against 497 in 2011) including 364 professional librarians (against 359 in 2011), 72 skilled specialists and 59 technical workers.

Planned for 2013

- ◆ Further improvement of the model for the system of upgrading competences of library staff in cooperation with the county public libraries. The National Library will organize and implement training its own staff and that of county public libraries.
- ◆ Improvement of knowledge, competences and skills is essential for developing of a model of the modern National Library which meets the society's needs. Therefore special attention will be paid to establishing a system of the learning organization through structural and functional changes within the library. This will create prerequisites for efficient usage of human resources and emerging of new organizational competences.



Traditional seminar of the national libraries of Lithuania, Latvia and Estonia LiLaEst took part in Latvia on June 2012.



Task 5

Development of the National Library's International Cooperation Programme

Results for 2012

- ◆ In 2012 the National Library's international alliances included involvement in the activities of international professional organizations, partnership with national libraries and participation in international projects and document exchange programmes.
- ◆ The National Library continued its membership in:
- ◆ **The International Federation of Library Associations (IFLA).** The National Library is a member of this organization's National Libraries and Bibliography sections and takes part in the UNIMARC Committee's activities. In 2012, members of the National Library's section of the Lithuanian Librarians' Association took active part in the IFLA programme *Building Strong Library Associations*. Representatives of the National Library also participated in the 78th IFLA General Conference "Libraries now!... Inspiring... surprising... empowering" in Helsinki.
- **The Conference of Directors of National Libraries (CDNL).**
- **The Association of European Research Libraries (LIBER).** The National Library takes active participation in the activities of the Steering Committee of Heritage Collections and Preservation and the Manuscript Librarians Group. Director General of the National Library Prof. Dr. R. Gudauskas participated in the annual LIBER conference *Mobilizing the Knowledge Economy for Europe*.
- **The Conference of European National Librarians (CENL).**
- **The European Library (TEL) and Europeana.** Director General of the National Library Prof. Dr. R. Gudauskas together with the Minister of Culture Dr. A. Gelūnas participated at presentation of the *Europeana* project results in Brussels on May 9. Agreement of the National Library and the Foundation Conference of European National Librarians (CENL) on participation in the creation of the European Library and *Europeana* was prolonged. In 2012–2014 the National Library together with other European culture and heritage institutions shall take part in implementation of the project *Europeana Awareness* which aims at promoting use of Europeana's information and cultural resources by a broad public. Director General of the National Library Prof. Dr. R. Gudauskas was The European Library Board member in 2012.
- **The association of the libraries of the Baltic Sea region states *Bibliotheca Baltica*.** In January 2012, *Bibliotheca Baltica* Board meeting took place at the National Library, devoted to analysis of perspectives of strategic partnership with Baltic region institutions coordinating state development, contribution to strengthening of efficiency of strategic, politic and cultural cooperation in the region as well as intensive participation of *Bibliotheca Baltica* network members in *Europeana* and other projects implementing the European Strategy 2020. Director General



On 9 January, 2012, Bibliotheca Baltica Board meeting took place at the National Library. From the left: Catharina Melldahl (Sweden), Dr. Irina L. Lynden (Russia), Liisa Savolainen (Finland), President of Bibliotheca Baltica Dr. Gunnar Sahlin (Sweden), Prof. dr. Renaldas Gudauskas (Lithuania) and Dr. Jürgen Warmbrunn (Germany).

Director General of the National Library of Lithuania Prof. Dr. Renaldas Gudauskas was elected as a new President of *Bibliotheca Baltica* at the *Bibliotheca Baltica* General Assembly in Tallinn on 25–26 October, 2012.

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- **The International ISSN, ISBN and ISMN Agencies.** Pursuing preparation of data on Lithuanian publishers and sending them to the centres of these international agencies.

- **The International Board on Books for Young People (IBBY).** Specialists of the Children Literature Centre of the National Library, members of the IBBY Lithuanian Section, participated at the 33rd IBBY Congress in London. Dr. Kęstutis Urba delivered report "Lithuanization of proper names in Beatrix Potter tales" at the Congress session. Authors of Lithuanian childrens' books Marius Jonutis (the writer), Kęstutis Kasparavičius (the illustrator), Viltaras Alksnėnas (the translator) were included into the *IBBY Honour List 2012*.

- Continuing membership in the **International Association of Music Libraries (IAML)**, the **International Association of Law Libraries (IALL)** and the **International Reading Association (IRA)**; the National Library was taking part in

the activities of the **Consortium of Legal Resource Centres and Legal Information Specialists**.

- ◆ Data about documents published in Lithuania were contributed to the following databases:

- the UNESCO publication Index Translationum: bibliographic information on translations into the Lithuanian language;

- the RILM database: abstracts of Lithuanian music literature;

- the programme for shared cataloguing of the Library of Congress (USA) SACO: Lithuanian subject headings.

- ◆ Partnership with cultural centres of Lithuanian expatriate communities and other organizations concerning issues of acquisition of Lituanica publications and preparation of the bibliography and involvement into international document exchange programmes was continued. Jolanta Budriūnienė, Head of Lituanica Department was elected as a vicepresident and a member of the council of non-governmental organization *BaltHerNet* (Baltic states heritage network).

Planned for 2013

- ◆ Continuation of the International Cooperation Programme with the major focus on strengthening representation of the National Library at the European digital library *Europeana* and the working group of the libraries of the Baltic Sea region *Bibliotheca Baltica*. In 2012–2014 the National Library will take part in the project "Europeana Awareness" together with other European cultural and research institutions. The National Library of Lithuania in partnership with the national libraries of Latvia

and Estonia will organize a campaign devoted to the Baltic Way within a framework of *Europeana Change 1989*. During the campaign, population will be invited to share their memories, documentary materials and deliver it to the *Europeana* portal.

- ◆ Strengthening partnership with embassies of foreign countries and other diplomatic agencies in the areas of cultural partnership, information and document exchange.



International bicycling unconference "Cycling for libraries 2012" started on July 28 at the National Library of Lithuania. It was participated also by the National Library specialists.



In August, an international event *The Global Librarians: International Young Librarians Academy* took place in Latvia; Viktorija Kirijakaitė, specialist of the National Library, participated in it.

GOALS OF THE PROGRAMME “DEVELOPMENT OF INFRASTRUCTURE AND COMMUNITY COMPETENCES IN THE LIBIS LIBRARIES”

GOAL 1

UPDATING THE LIBIS INFRASTRUCTURE AND FURTHER DEVELOPMENT OF ITS SOFTWARE MAKING IT CONSISTENT WITH MODERN REQUIREMENTS

The Martynas Mažvydas National Library of Lithuania, in compliance with its strategic goals and priorities and those on the national level, is carrying out a project for creating the Lithuanian Integrated Library Information System (LIBIS) and is responsible for the computerization of library and information processes within Lithuanian public libraries as well as integration of Lithuanian information resources into worldwide systems. The 1996–2012 period saw creation and implementation of the LIBIS system in research and public libraries. At present the LIBIS software is used by all public libraries (65), 11 museums and 7 state-level and special libraries. For teaching purposes,

it has been implemented at Vilnius University's Faculty of Communication and Šiauliai University.

The LIBIS infrastructure enabled further development and implementation of electronic services. For this purpose, in 2009–2012 the National Library prepared and implemented the investment project “Development of Interactive Electronic Services for Ordering and Receiving Publications at Public Libraries” financed from the European Structural Funds. The e-services portal www.ibiblioteka.lt was created within the scope of this project and opened at the end of 2011. Library users can get here such

e-services as ordering the reader's card, using an automatic reference system and personal administering of the time for receiving documents, ordering and receiving full-text documents, document copies or their digitized parts, and making payments for them, subscribing news about the National Library and other public libraries, services provided or available documents. While the renovation of the National Library's main building is going on, the users prefer online services, especially readers' registration and re-registration online.

The following two objectives support the accomplishment of this goal.

Objective 1

Further development of the LIBIS Union Catalogue and its integration into The European Library

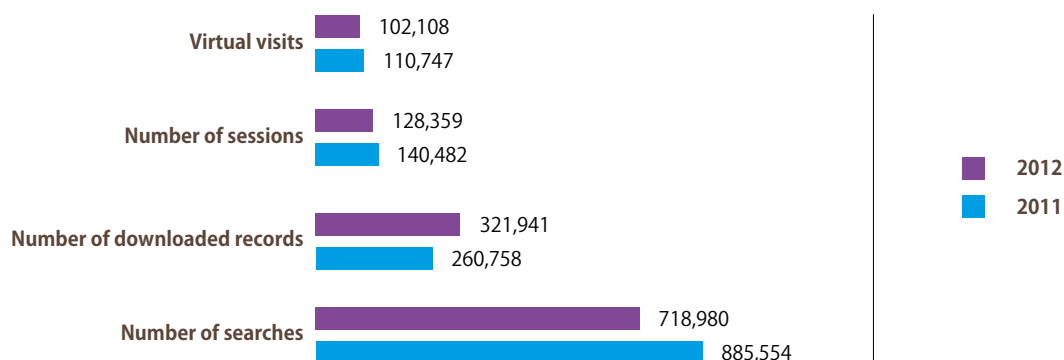
Results for 2012

- ◆ 89.8 thousand bibliographic records created by 79 Lithuanian libraries added to the Union Catalogue. As for the end of 2012, the Union Catalogue contained 1.4 million document titles and 4.5 million bibliographic records. The Library of the National Museum – Palace of the Grand Dukes of Lithuania has been participating in the development of the Union Catalogue since 2011.
- ◆ Pursuing the agreement on submission of records of the Union Catalogue to the portal of the European Library in accordance with the programme of the National Library's membership in The European Library.
- ◆ Performance and control of the e-service of the LIBIS Union Catalogue “Ordering of documents digital copies”: identification of copyrights, making copies and receiving payment for the service.

Planned for 2013

- ◆ Adding 90 thousand new bibliographic records to the Union Catalogue of Lithuanian libraries.
- ◆ Providing consultations to the public libraries' staff on issues of creating bibliographic records and submission it for delivering to the Union Catalogue.
- ◆ Ensuring proper delivering and management of the e-service of the LIBIS Union Catalogue “Ordering of documents digital copies”: identification of copyrights, making copies and receiving payment for the service.

Indicators for the access to the LIBIS Union Catalogue



Objective 2

Development of local systems of Lithuanian libraries and the National Library

Results for 2012

- Starting with 2010, LIBIS entered a new stage of its development implying applications of software solutions for improving the quality and management of reader services. A project requirement for functional development of the LIBIS reader service software was prepared in 2011. Due to 2012 cuts in the funding of the LIBIS investment project, only the minimum supporting operations were performed.
- 8 computerized workplaces upgraded in libraries throughout Lithuania, and 31 workplace upgraded in the National Library.
- 9 new LIBIS software versions developed and installed. 43 updates made to the software versions, among them 26 related to maintenance and development of software, 26 related to corrections of various errors.
- Online training courses on the use of the LIBIS software were organized using the LYNC software. The courses were participated by 10 staff members from Panevėžys town libraries.



Planned for 2013

- Analysis of the LIBIS software, planning of recommendations for its improvement considering funding of the LIBIS investment project in 2013.
- Rendering, coordination, administration and promotion of interactive e-services via the e-service portal www.ibiblioteka.lt.

GOAL 2

ENSURING CONTINUATION OF ACTIVITIES AND RESULTS OF THE PROJECT "LIBRARIES FOR INNOVATION" IN THE LIBIS LIBRARIES

In 2012 the national project "Libraries for Innovation" implemented by the Martynas Mažvydas National Library together with the Ministry of Culture of the Republic of Lithuania and Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation was completed. The final international conference "Changes in Libraries – for Changes in Society. Assessment of the Impact of Project Results" was held in June. 900 public libraries had a possibility to watch a live broadcasting of the conference. In addition to providing tremendous opportunities for people by forwarding the introduction of information technologies in public libraries, providing conditions for gaining computer literacy and mastering smart usage of internet resources and e-service, the Project also contributed to the development of the library staff and motivated them to promote community activities. This socially responsible Project aimed at encouraging Lithuanian people to make use of information technologies in information search and communication. It

was the biggest project of digital literacy in Lithuania.

Thorough modernization of IT infrastructure, improving of staff competences and motivation of tens of thousands of people for active usage of internet advantages recently led public libraries to the expansion of library activity mission. Library changes are noticed and appreciated by their visitors and the whole public. After completion of the project "Libraries for Innovation" public libraries working in dynamic environment will further development of functions of the centre of community life and add to the progress of the society.

The National Library has taken over the network and infrastructure created by the project "Libraries for Innovation" and strives for ensuring continuity of the project activities and results in Lithuanian public libraries. For this purpose, activities in the fields of updating infrastructure, ensuring

continuing librarians' training, performing of measures for public relations and motivation of people, and impact assessment are being planned. In order to ensure continuity of training activities, the role of county and municipal libraries that have their own training centres must be strengthened. The National Library prepared application for the project "Libraries for Innovation +" which will help to achieve these goals.

In order to achieve continuing centralized consolidation and coordination of certain activities, the National Library remains engaged in the following fields: centralized maintenance of information structures, updating staff competences in public libraries, national-scale monitoring, research and analysis of situation, promotion of public libraries' activities.

The following two objectives support the accomplishment of this goal.



Computer literacy training in the National Library



Live internet broadcast sessions were organized from the studio in the National Library

Objective 1

Coordination of public libraries' activities in the field of training and training needs analysis

Results for 2012

- ◆ Enhancing of project continuity activities: renovation and reinforcement of infrastructure, updating of training material, strengthening of trainers' competence.
- ◆ Updating of the following librarians' training programmes:
 - Training for trainers and Library collections management.*
- ◆ 365 librarians serving public internet access participated in re-training events; among them, 50 were trained in usage of the most modern IT technologies.

Planned for 2013

- ◆ Organization and coordination of training, performing of training needs analysis.
- ◆ Training public library employees in usage of modern IT technologies and basics of andragogy.
- ◆ Updating and promotion of training material for librarians and Lithuanian residents. Updating of training programme *Web 2.0*.

Objective 2

Performing of actions for activation of public internet access usage

Results for 2012

- ◆ Performing and promotion of live internet broadcasting from the National Library's studio accessible for 1,600 Lithuanian public library's employees and readers. The most popular topics were:
 - Presentation of the *Europeana* portal. Speakers – Sandra Leknickeinė, scientific secretary of the National Library, and Laura Šimkutė, specialist of the Information Centre;
 - Promotion of entrepreneurship in Lithuania. Speakers – Dovydas Markulevičius, head of the Entrepreneurship Department, and Laimutė Kalinauskienė, project manager, non-governmental entity "Enterprise Lithuania",
- New training website www.eupilietis.eu. Speakers – Loreta Križinauskienė, director, and Algimantas Merkys, training expert, *Langas į ateitį* ("Window to the Future") alliance.



Libraries for Innovation
www.bibliotekospazangai.lt

Planned for 2013

- ◆ Further maintenance of the following websites: country encyclopaedia online *Graži tu mano* ("You Are so Beautiful"), online training environment (website) of the project "Libraries for Innovation" <http://kursai.bibliotekospazangai.lt>, and partners' communication environment (website) <http://komanda.bibliotekospazangai.lt>.
- ◆ Performing of promotion campaigns for active usage of public internet access through these websites.



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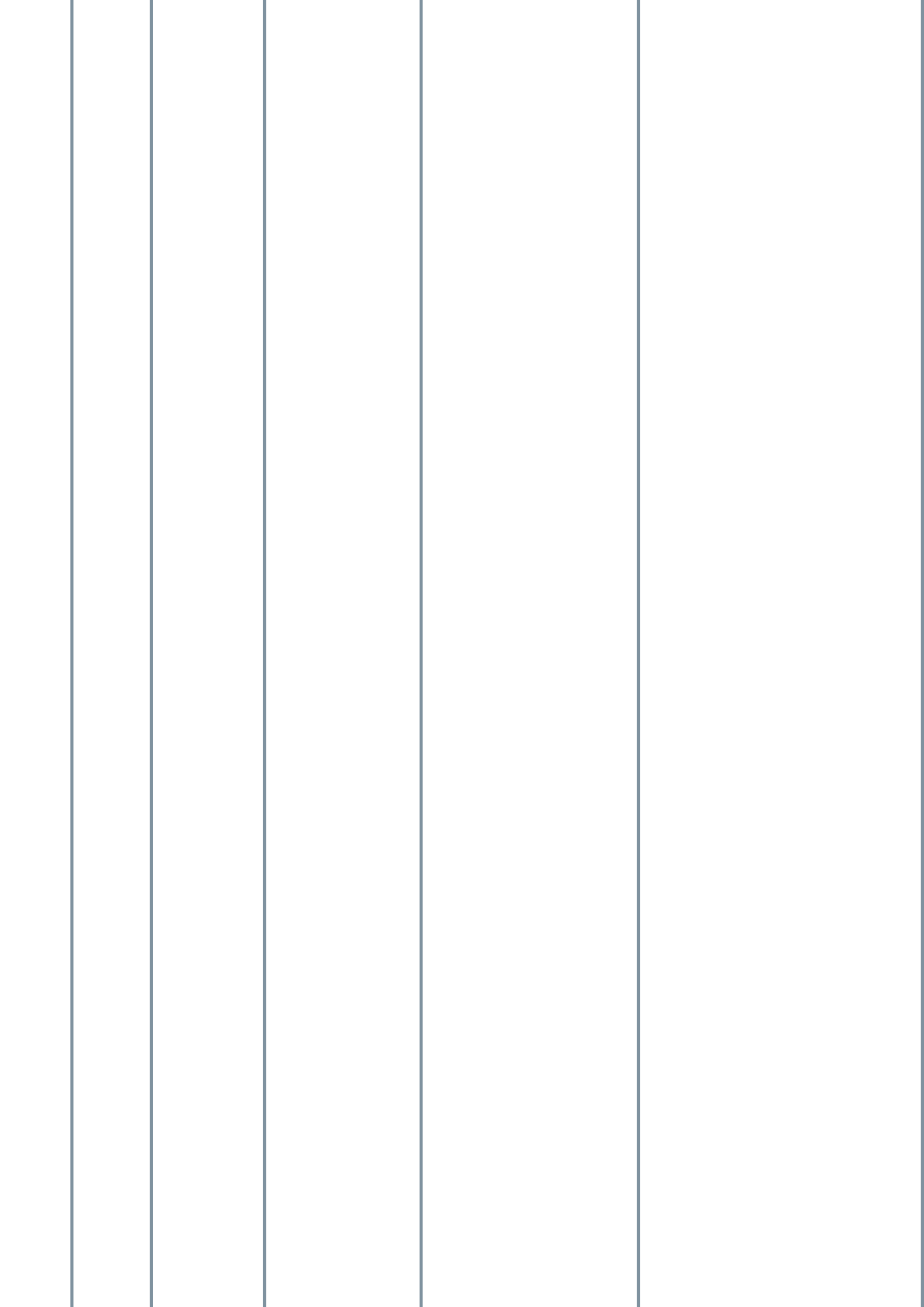
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