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Each element of library technical processes can be described as a service in itself, because, through accomplishing a series of modular tasks, actually the various departments are providing services, even if these services are not targeted at users. Preparing and assisting a system of internal services is created, under everybody within the institutions provides services. The staff members at the Library of HAS attach great importance to the quality of services at all points in the service chain, since only this enables users at the end of the chain to obtain quality services. The system of internal services unites the tasks related to collection organisation, cataloguing and information technology into a coherent system.

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The collections of the Library of HAS have been established at different times and in a variety of ways. One of the most exciting centuries of European and particularly Hungarian history left a very special and considerably differing imprint on these collections. Most of the materials in the Collection of Early Books had been donated by three major patrons: József Teleki, György Ráth and Ferenc Vigyázó. The latter two collected obsessively the Hungary-related prints still to be found in Europe at the turn of the 19th and 20th centuries. In addition to the wealth of Hungarica materials (from the point of language, territory or persons), a unique value of the collection is represented by the pamphlet collection dealing with Hungary. The pamphlets originate mainly from German-speaking countries, and these materials constitute a rich resource of Hungarian history, their importance equals that of the Apponyi Collection in the National Széchényi Library.

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The need to create an independent Oriental Collection within the Library of HAS has been raised by Hungarian scholars as early as the late 19th century. The date is not incidental because in that century Oriental research has been flourishing all over Europe, and this meant an incentive to thoroughly investigating Eastern sources relating to the original homeland and the prehistory of Hungarians. Hungarian travellers and scholars, who were attracted to the East because of the prehistory of Hungarian people, have played at the same time a major role in describing Asia from the point of geography, geology, ethnology, zoology and botany. Many of these scholars were members of HAS, and regularly contributed to its library not only their own publications but also manuscripts and rare books collected during their travels to enrich the library's collections. The ever growing stock has significantly increased due to the decree after World War II on systematically dividing the collection interest among libraries. As a result, the field of Oriental research was commissioned to HAS, meaning also that the relevant, extremely valuable collection of the Municipal Library of Budapest was transferred to the HAS Library.

#### SZÉKELY, M.: Presenting the Lukács Archives .... 179

The Lukács Archives is to be found on the fifth floor of a Bauhaus building, in the flat of the late György Lukács. The building is admired by visitors because of its magnificent staircase. The Archives was founded soon after the philosopher's death, thanks to a generous decision of contemporary leaders respecting Lukács' reputation, as well as to his library and manuscripts having got to the possession of HAS according to his will. The article presents the fate of the collection and the products of relevant publishing activities.

#### HAY, D.: Introducing the Archives of HAS ......182

The Archives of HAS has been in operation since 1964. It is collecting, preserving and providing for researchers the official documents of HAS from the post-1950 period.

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In our society, it is extremely useful if you are always and everywhere well-informed - says Dr. Thomas Knieper ("In unserer Gesellschaft ist es ein hohes Gut. immer und überall informiert zu sein"). To do this, we need information. However, information has got a price which is often measured in hard currency. In Hungary, for nearly two decades now, various consortia and alliances have been trying to satisfy information hunger with serious work, as economically and as well as possible. A special segment of all this, namely scientific information is particularly important for research and higher education, for the educated. In 2011, the Hungarian Government commissioned the Hungarian Academy of Sciences to perform, in cooperation with its library, the duties relating to the operation of the National Electronic Information Service Programme. The article reports on this activity.

# MAKARA, B. G. – SERES, J.: The Hungarian National Scientific Bibliography (MTMT) and MTMT2 ........ 191

HAS created the Hungarian National Scientific Bibliography (in Hungarian abbreviated as MTMT) in 2009 from

its own sources. Co-founders included the Hungarian Accreditation Committee, the Hungarian Rectors' Conference, the National Scientific Research Fund (OTKA) and the National Graduate Council, later the initiative was joined by Hungarian universities, colleges and health institutions. Under the New Széchenvi Plan's Social Renewal Operational Programme (SROP) a sum of HUF 308 million was envisaged for completing the works on building the national scientific bibliographic database. Under the two-year project the bibliographic data of works of scientific relevance, published by the staff members of Hungarian higher education institutions, academic and other research programmes, in the period between 2007 and 2014 will become accessible as a whole. The database will, however, be much more comprehensive, really important data will go back to as far as 1990. The work is coordinated by the Library and Information Centre of HAS, which will become significantly upgraded, partly due to this project, and will be transformed into a 21st-century modern information centre, in addition to keeping its traditional role.

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The Department of Science Policy and Scientometrics of the Library and Information Centre of HAS is characterised by research-intensive services and methodological development in the field of scientometrics in a science-policy context. The main purpose is informing decision-making both at the institutional and national levels, and contributing to national and international (EU) projects.

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The article summarises the developments – growth, software and hardware upgrades – of REAL (the repository of the Library and Information Centre of HAS). The Hungarian Academy of Sciences have issued an Open Access Mandate, effective from the beginning of 2013. The support functions performed by the Library and the repository regarding the Mandate are reviewed. The article outlines the connections of the repository with the Hungarian National Scientific Bibliography database (MTMT).