

**Ministry of Culture
of the Slovak Republic**

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**Ministry of Culture of the Slovak Republic
issues the full text of the foundation charter of the State Scientific Library in Banská Bystrica
issued by the decision of the Ministry of Culture of the Slovak Republic on the issuance
of the foundation charter of the State Scientific Library in Banská Bystrica
No MK 555/2002-1 of 1 April 2002**

as follows from the amendments made by the

Decision of the Ministry of Culture of the Slovak Republic No MK-2811/2015-110/14275 of
15 October 2015

The decision
of the Ministry of Culture of the Slovak Republic
on the issuance of the foundation charter
of the State Scientific Library in Banská Bystrica

The Ministry of Culture of the Slovak Republic pursuant to Section 21 of Act No. 523/2004 Coll. on Budget Rules of Public Administration and on Amendments and Supplements to Certain Acts, as amended, and Act No. 126/2015 Coll. on Libraries and on Amendments and Supplements to Act No. 206/2009 Coll. on Museums and Galleries and on the Protection of Objects of Cultural Value and on Amendments to Act No. 372/1990 Coll. on Misdemeanours, as amended, in the wording of Act No. 38/2014 Coll., in the wording of Act No. 160/2018 Coll., issues the following Act

t h e f o u n d a t i o n c h a r t e r :

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| Name of the organisation: | State Scientific Library in Banská Bystrica |
| Seat of the organisation: | Lazovná 9, 975 58 Banská Bystrica |
| Form of management: | state contributory organisation |
| Identification number of the organisation: | 35987006 |
| Date of establishment of the organisation: | 26th of March 1926 |
| The founder of the organisation: | Ministry of Culture of the Slovak Republic |

Article I

General mission and subject of activities

1. The State Scientific Library in Banská Bystrica (hereinafter referred to as the "library") with its specialized organizational unit, the Literary and Music Museum, is a cultural, informational, collecting, scientific and educational institution in the field of library, bibliographic, literary-museum, music-museum, cultural-educational and publishing activities.
2. The general mission of the library is
 - a) through library and information services and information and communication technologies to ensure free access to knowledge and information disseminated on all types of media, to meet the cultural, informational, scientific research and educational needs of the public, and to promote lifelong learning, independent decision-making and spiritual development,
 - b) on the basis of research and scientific research to collect, evaluate by scientific methods, professionally manage and make accessible museum collections, archival documents and databases with a focus and specialisation on the documentation of literary and musical life, including folk and classical musical instruments and puppetry traditions..
3. Within the subject of its activities, the library mainly
 - a) builds and permanently preserves the Conservation Fund of the Slovak Republic as a legal entity designated under a special regulation¹⁾,
 - b) complements, professionally registers, processes, preserves, protects and makes available domestic and foreign library documents from individual scientific disciplines, special technical documents - technical standards, patent files, audio and video documents and specialised library collection of geological literature,
 - c) participates in the creation of the Slovak national bibliography; performs national tasks in the field of coordination and creation of bibliography of scientific disciplines in the field of the national liberation movement, the Slovak National Uprising and Resistance, tourism, ecology, architecture, construction and urban planning; creates and makes available databases in these areas,
 - d) participates in the creation, maintenance and accessibility of library catalogues,
 - e) carries out scientific research activities, participates in national research tasks and scientific research projects of other institutions in the following areas: bibliographic system of the National Resistance and the SNP (Slovak National Uprising), history of book culture and the programme of regional retrospective bibliography, biographical research of personalities, library and information science (social contexts), history of theatre, literary and musical culture of the Banská Bystrica region, museology,
 - f) information provision for science, technology, research and innovation as part of the infrastructure for research and development in the humanities, social and natural sciences, tourism, architecture, construction and urban planning,
 - g) provides library and information services to users aimed at the development of science, technology, research, innovation, culture and education,
 - h) is an interlibrary loan service and an international interlibrary loan service,

¹⁾ § Sections 3 to 5 of Act No. 212/1997 Coll. on compulsory copies of periodical and non-periodical publications, non-periodical publications and reproduction of audio-visual works, as amended.

- i) is an educational, advisory and executive workplace of the library system in the field of implementation of new technologies into library practice and introduction of new library-information services,
- j) acquires, processes, preserves, manages, protects and makes accessible the library's collection of manuscripts, old and rare prints, historical library documents and historical library collections and ensures its digitisation,
- k) is a museum workplace for literary-museum and music-museum activities, on the basis of research and scientific research in accordance with its focus and specialization acquires objects of cultural value, which it professionally manages, scientifically researches and makes available to the public as collection objects,
- l) builds a special library, documentation and literary and musical archive, provides information and professional advisory services to the public, students and researchers,
- m) through exposure and exhibition activities, the library makes museum collections and funds available at home and abroad, accepts exhibitions of other legal entities and natural persons from the Slovak Republic and abroad,
- n) operates museum expositions in the J. G. Tajovský Memorial House in Tajov and the Pavel Tonkovič Memorial Room in Podkonice,
- o) publishes periodical and non-periodical publications as part of scientific research and presentation activities,
- p) ensures the digitisation of its own editorial activities,
- q) distributes and sells its own products, as well as publications, printed materials and promotional materials of a museum and library nature,
- r) within the framework of international multicultural cooperation, acquires, processes, preserves and makes available profile library collections and provides cultural activities of information, study and cultural centres on the basis of partnership agreements,
- s) it establishes direct relations with other legal entities and natural persons at home and abroad in the area of its competence and, with the consent of the founder, enters into international associations with other memory and fund institutions,
- t) operates accommodation facilities in its administration which are used for temporary stays for the needs of the library, other cultural organisations and the founder in accordance with applicable legislation,
- u) performs other tasks related to the library's activities.

Article II

1. The library is a state contributory organisation connected to the state budget by contribution or levy through the chapter of the Ministry of Culture of the Slovak Republic. It manages independently according to the approved budget, acquires rights and undertakes obligations on its own behalf. It may accept financial and in-kind donations for its activities.
2. The founder of the library is the Ministry of Culture of the Slovak Republic, which controls its activities and takes necessary measures in case of shortcomings.

Article III

1. The Library manages the property of the State which has been entrusted to it for the fulfilment of its defined mission and object of activity and which it has acquired by its own activity. It keeps accounting, operational and professional records of these assets.

Article IV

1. The statutory body of the library is the director, who is appointed and dismissed by the Minister of Culture of the Slovak Republic; they are appointed on the basis of a selection procedure.
2. The Director manages the activities of the library in accordance with its foundation charter and is accountable to the Minister of Culture of the Slovak Republic.
3. The director is responsible for the management of the library's public funds.
4. The Director appoints and removes their deputy from among the library's senior staff.
5. The organisational structure, the activities of the individual departments and the interrelations between them are regulated by the organisational regulations of the library, which are issued by the director of the library.
6. The provision of library and information services is regulated by the library and lending regulations of the library and the use of collection objects and archival documents is regulated by the lending and study regulations of the museum, which are issued by the director.

Article V

The entrusted assets, rights and obligations arising from property, employment and other relationships remain unchanged.

Article VI

The library shall be established for an indefinite period of time.

Article VII

This Decision shall enter into force on 1 January 2019.

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Culture of the
Slovak Republic