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Gender	Male
Occupation/Area of expertise	University of Zilina, Faculty of Humanities, University professor, Vice-dean for science and research.
Professional practise	
From - Till	2002-2014-University of Žilina, Faculty of Humanities 2000-2012-Director general of The Slovak national Library in Martin 1996-2000- Head of the Department of Library and Information Science at the Comenius University in Bratislava 1992-2000-University teacher, Comenius University in Bratislava, 1967-1992- The Slovak national Library in Martin, bibliographer, scientific secretary, deputy director

Prof. PhDr. Dušan Katuščák, PhD. - The Director General of the Slovak National Library in Martin (2000-2012); has worked in the National Library since 1968. Areas of research and professional interest: bibliography, library science, standardisation, information policy, ICT implementation and digitisation in libraries, documentation of cultural heritage. Author of about 200 professional and popularisation publications. Author of the Strategy of digitisation in Slovakia - for national project Slovak digital library supported from the structural funds 2008-2015. Author of the national project Digital library and digital archive (DL&DA) financed from structural funds 2011-2015 (49.61.2M€). Author of the draft of the Strategy for Development of Slovak Librarianship in 2007-2013. Participation in preparing the Operational Programme Building Information Society 2007-2013, approved by the Slovak Government on 6th December 2006. Initiator and author of the project to receive support from the so-called Norwegian Funds Slovak Digital Library (app. 1.2M€), realised in 2007-2008. The President of Association of Slovak librarians (1992-1996). Member of the Scientific Board of the Faculty of Humanities of the University of Žilina, Member of the Scientific Board of the Jessenius Faculty of Medicine of the Comenius University in Martin, Member of the Scientific Board of the University of Žilina. Initiator of founding the Board for ICT Implementation in Culture as and advisory body to the Minister of Culture for ICT-related and digitisation issues (draft of the statute). President of the Slovak Libraries Advisory Board (2002-2012), Co-author of the content part of the Ministry of Culture's project Internet in Slovak Libraries (delivered 760 computers for 110 public libraries) that received 1M€ support from the structural funds in 2006. Initiator and author of successful project proposal to receive support from the structural funds Information to support science, education, innovation and services, total budget 6.6M€ (contracted 2007-2008). Founder of the study programme Library and Information Science, Documentation of Cultural Heritage at the University of Žilina (2002). Initiator of the project of shared software and Union catalogue of Slovak libraries (KIS3G project), according to Government's Resolution no. 801/2002. Consortial catalogue of Slovak libraries (4.3 million records), main author of the related Programme of ICT Implementation in Libraries. Initiator and author of the Strategy for Development of Slovak Librarianship until 2006-2013, the material was adopted by the Slovak Government. Head of the Department of Library and Information Science at the Comenius University in Bratislava (1996-2000).

Overview of education and the scientific qualifications:

	Year/rok	Field/odbor	Institution/inštitúcia
University/Faculty	1968	Slovak, French Slovenský jazyk, Francúzsky jazyk	Faculty of Education Banská Bystrica Pedagogická fakulta Banská Bystrica
Doctoral thesis /Rigorózná skúška	1979	Bibliography and literary education system/ Bibliografia v systéme literárneho vzdelania	Faculty of Education Nitra Pedagogická fakulta Nitra
Doctoral (PhD) /Doktorandské štúdium (PhD).	1983	Art Sciences/ Vedy o umení	Comenius University Bratislava, Faculty of Univerzita Komenského Bratislava
Habilitation (Doc). Habilitácia (Doc).	1997	Library and information science / Knižničná a informačná veda	Comenius University Bratislava, Faculty of Univerzita Komenského Bratislava
Inauguration (Prof) Inaugurácia (Prof)	2009	Library and information science / Knižničná a informačná veda	Comenius University Bratislava, Faculty of Univerzita Komenského Bratislava

A) Area of research activities:

Library, Information Science and bibliography
Library and bibliographic information systems (theory, research and design)
Standardization of librarianship
Digitization of cultural and scientific heritage
Library information system
Union Catalogue of the Slovak libraries

B) Research activities in last 5 years:

KNIHA.SK (State Project)
Computerisation of libraries (public project)
Information for Innovation (State Project)
Digital library and digital archive (DIKDA) (State Project)
Slovak Digital Library - a branch of SNK, (State Project)
Library and information system of the third generation (State Project)

**Professional,
Scientific and
Managerial
Activities**

2000-04.05.2012- Director General of the Slovak National Library (SNL); management and development of SNL; **coordinator of SNL professional, scientific and developmental projects as well as librarianship on the national level (professional coordination and completion of the mass digitization technologies of written cultural heritage, coordination of professional activities related to OPERATIONAL PROGRAMME Informatisation of Society (OPIS)**

2006 ... author of the basic draft **Development Strategy of Slovak Librarianship 2007-2013**. Strategy approved by the Government of the Slovak rep. Development Strategy of Slovak Librarianship 2008-2013 was debated by the Government of the Slovak rep. On November 7, 2007 and approved by the SR Government Resolution no. 943/2007.

2005-2012 ... Initiator and author of the successful project focused on acquiring support from Norwegian funds **Slovak Digital Library**, **approx. 47 000 000 SKK**, period of carrying out the project: 2007-2009

2004- ... **Member of the Scientific Board of the Jessenius Faculty of Medicine in Martine, Comenius University in Bratislava; Member of the Scientific Board of the Faculty of Humanities, University of Zilina; Member of the Editorial Board of Historia et theoria iuris, PFUK(2009-2014), Member of the Editorial Board of UNIZA (2013-2014).**

2005-2009 ... Initiator of the founding of the **Board for ICT Implementation in Culture** as an advisory body to the Minister of Culture related to the area of ICT Implementation (draft of the statute). Member of the **Board for ICT Implementation in Culture**, advisory body of the Minister of Culture, appointed by the Minister of Culture.

2005-2013... Author of the content part of the project of the Ministry of Culture, SR, **Internet in Slovak Libraries (760 computers for 110 public libraries)** and achieving the grant from structural funds in the amount of 39 000 000 SKK (app **1 300 000 €**) in 2006 (with Jozef Dzivák from the Slovak University of Technology and Beatrix Kormančíková from the Ministry of Culture, SR).

2004-2014 ... Initiator and author of the successful project focused on acquiring support from structural funds, Ministry of Economy, SR, **Information for the Support of Science, Education, Innovation and Services** in the total amount of approx. **240 000 000 SKK**, app **800.000 €**, (approved on April 12, 2006, Letter of Acceptance of May 30, 2006, Agency NADSME, Ministry of Economy, SR), carried out in 2007-2008, November 2008 – successful completion of the project with profitable impacts on universities in Zilina, Nitra, Trnava, Trenčín, Slovak Academy of Sciences and libraries in Martin, Banská Bystrica, Košice and Prešov.

2002-2014 ... founder of the study programme **Library and Information Science, Documentation of Cultural Heritage at the University of Zilina** (Slovakia), guarantor of the programme. Lectures and pedagogical activities, supervisor of PhD. candidates at the Faculty of Arts, Comenius University in Bratislava and Faculty of Humanities, University of Zilina

2002-2014 ... Initiator of the **Project of Shared Software and Union Catalogue of Slovak Libraries (KIS3G Project)**, according to the SR Government Resolution no. 801/2002. The project is being carried out. In 2009, there were 50 libraries in the integrated system. (approx. 30 000 000 SKK, app **1.000 000 €**) (http://www.kis3g.sk/dokumenty/Informatizacia_kniznic_projekt_na_oponenturu.html)

2002 ... Principal author of **Programme of ICT Implementation in Libraries** approved by the SR Government Resolution no. 801 of July 17, 2002 for the programme for the Computerisation of Libraries in the SR.

2001-2012 ... **Member of International Non-governmental Organization CENL** (permanent conference of European national libraries directors and European national librarians)

2000 ... Initiator and author of the **Strategy for the Development of Slovak Librarianship, the material was adopted by the SR Government**. (SR Government Resolution no. 310 of April 11, 2001 related to the draft of Strategy for the Development of Slovak Librarianship till 2006)

2000-2012 ... **Member of CDNL (World Conference of National Libraries Directors IFLA)**

2000 – 2002 ... Initiator and co-author of scientific and technical projects and programmes:

*Project: **Integrated Catalogue of the Slovak Republic** (grant Mellon Agency, **71.000 USD**, 2002),*

*Project: **Book-SK – Project in the state plan of basic research***

*Project: **Project Virtual Library of Slovakia (VIKS)**, 2002*

*Project: **Processing Old and Precious Prints** (cooperation with Slovak Academy of Science, HU SAV, grant VEGA 155/0214/2000, Research: grant VEGA 1/5259/98);*

***Initiator of three professional departments of the national library as the working places of research and development** (field of restoration and conservation, bibliographic institute, biographic institute of the SNL) – accreditation approved in August 2002;2012*

***Initiator and guarantor of the accredited IHE study programme Library and Information Science at the University of Zilina** (teaching process on Bc. level started in September 2002)*

*In 2002 – **Initiator of various projects of technical development**, SNL in the amount of approx. **480.000 €***

2000-2011 Initiator and manager of significant innovations focused on the development of the SNL: **constructing the Universal Study-Room Zlatá niť (Golden Thread)**; considerable improvement of **connecting SNL to the Internet** (from 64 kb in 2000 to 1GB/10GB in **2008**); **constructing the educational centre, computer room and auditorium** for librarians in SNL; **carrying out projects of document protection in SNL; digitization programme development in SNL** (2000-

1997-2000 Member of the Board of Directors of the Society of Slovak Librarians

1997-2000 Slovak Literary Fund – Section for Scientific and Professional Literature and Computer Programmes – member of the commission

1996-2000 (Oct.): Head of the Department of Library and Information Science, Faculty of Arts, Comenius University in Bratislava

1996-2000 *Manager of Localisation of the US Library-information System* VTLS in ŠVK Banská Bystrica, Matej Bel University in Banská Bystrica, Comenius University in Bratislava. IBM Slovakia, (HP)S&T Slovakia, Consultant. Translation and implementation of bibliographic USMARC, MARC 21 format, USMARC format for authorities and holding companies, lecturing at the Comenius University in Bratislava.

1996-1997 received a grant from **USAID**, foundation *Democracy Network*, for the project *Model of Library System in Slovakia*, approx. 800 000 SKK (**app 26 000 €**)

1996- Initiator and organizer of the 1st Slovak Librarianship Congress, Nitra

1995- Matej Bel Award, Slovak Literary Fund, for the best professional socio-scientific translation of the work of UNIMARC

1995-2000, 2008, 2009-2014 Member of the commission for defences, supervisor of PhD. candidates, member of the Board of Guarantors for Library and Information Science of the Comenius University in Bratislava.

1993-January- July: **study stay at the university in Lyon** (Villeurbanne, France), in the framework of **TEMPUS** programme at the HEI for information science and libraries. In this period he translated the 600-page manual of UNIMARC, which became in 1994 a principal integration instrument for librarianship and documentation of the national library-information system in Slovakia.

1993-1997: Member of **IFLA Section for Research and Education** (IFLA - International Federation of Library Associations and Institutions)

1992-2000: University pedagogue, **since the fall in 1992** at the Faculty of Arts, Comenius University in Bratislava

1992-1996: Chairman of the Society of Slovak Librarians

1991-2000 Initiator of the constituting of the autonomous Slovak National Library in Martin (1983-2000) and the Act 183/2000 of Law Code on libraries

1991-1992 Independent researcher at the Department of Research of the Slovak National Library, Martin. Initiator of the project related to retrospective conversion from a paper into an electronic form. Initiator of the orientation of the national library-information system towards international standards and recommendations (international format for the engine-read catalogues - UNIMARC, adopted in Slovakia and Bohemia; international rules for the bibliographic description of documents - ISBD). He was awarded with the Matica slovenská Award for the best theoretical work.

1987-1990 Secretary for Science of Matica slovenská. Author of the project and principal investigator of the national research task IKIS (Integrated library-information system based on computerization), which is the base of computational national library-information system and the project CASLIN. Secretary of the celebrations concerned with the 125th anniversary of the founding of Matica slovenská.

1983-1987 Deputy Director of the Slovak National Library, Martin. He participated in the formation of the Slovak National Library within the organization changes of Matica slovenská. Organization and research activities.

1978-1982 International Centre of Scientific, Technical and Economic Information in Moscow. Expert. Work in the area of the methodology of information systems, information languages, bibliography, standardization of bibliographic description and work on the development of macro-thesaurus. Professional publications.

1975-1978 Bibliographic Department of Matica slovenská, Martin. **Head of the Section of Theory, Methodology and Coordination of Bibliography in Slovakia.**

1968-1975 Bibliographic Department of Matica slovenská, Martin. Assistant. Head of the Department of Retrospective Bibliography. Deputy of the Bibliographic Department. Work on long-term project *Bibliography of articles from Slovak newspapers and magazines in the period of 1918 - 1945*. Member of research team participating in the national research task focused on computational processing of Slovak national bibliography. Co-author of final report.

1968 (Aug. 1)-1997: Matica slovenská, Bibliographic Institute, Assistant, researcher.

1967-1968 Teacher of Slovak language and literature, French language, Elementary school ZDŠ Martin Podháj.

Technical skills Data analysis and creation of rules related to vast data conversions from local systems (libraries) into a common software. Professional and scientific translation of professional literature (e.g. manual UNIMARC and MARC 21, ISBD rules, which are basic standards raising Slovak

librarianship onto the level of developed European countries. Implementing technical standards in the practice. Common everyday work with computer applications Office, Internet, electronic mail, library-information systems, work with various kinds of application software (CDS/ISIS, Virtua, EndNote, RoboHelp, MarcEdit, Adobe, ABBY FineReader...).

2002-2012 Development of cooperation with University of Zilina, involving students in projects, using knowledge in practice.

2007 – 2011 The Slovak National Library became, thanks to its director's projects and his team, a partner in the project **Getty Conservation Institute in LA, USA** (which is the most significant philanthropic professional and scientific organization in the world concerned with cultural heritage protection with the annual budget of approx. 7 billion USD). The Slovak National Library, on the basis of a contract, cooperated with Getty Institute and The Academy of Fine Arts and Design on research and education in the area of conservation and restoration of chemical photography. The Slovak National Library and The Academy of Fine Arts and Design function as a centre of photography conservation for Central and Eastern Europe.

2002 – 2008 The Slovak National Library and its **director initiated the founding of the national basic research task managed by the Ministry of Education of the Slovak republic and coordinated by the Slovak University of Technology in the framework of the programme *Aktuálne úlohy rozvoja spoločnosti* with the total costs of approx. 90 000 000 SKK (approx. 3 mil. Euro)**. In all of the reviews was the research task labelled with **top scientific quality**. It deals with solving the problem of mass industrial de-acidification of acid paper and by the means of this also with coping with the basic task of **Slovak written cultural heritage preservation**.

Author of popular publications for the academic area:

Ako písať záverečné a kvalifikačné práce (several editions within the period of 1998- 2013) (6 editions)

Akademická príručka (co-author) – (3 editions, last one in 2013)

Author of approximately **230 professional and popular publications**. Until 2002 in the database of publications at the Faculty of Arts, Comenius University in Bratislava.

Pedagogical activities:

Subjects taught in the recent 5 years:

Information analysis II , Bibliographic communication, Bibliography, Information policy, Digitization, Documentology, Document processing, Society Informatisation, Methodology of academic writing, Cultural policy and legislative, Methodology of research in the field.