

# HERITAGE INSTITUTIONS AND THEIR CONTRIBUTION TO SCIENCE

## S U M M A R Y

The work reflects on the key determinants for the scientific activities of heritage institutions such as necessary infrastructural capacities, encouragement of inter-institutional collaboration, the importance of publishing activities, and the opportunities brought by the process of digitization, taking into account the role of the Ministry of Culture and Media of the Republic of Croatia which continuously supports archival, library, and museum activities in the Republic of Croatia. The valuable materials of heritage institutions, col-

lected data, and knowledge represent an additional stimulus for the development and improvement of their scientific and artistic activities. The progress made and possible enhancements for the scientific activities of heritage institutions are considered in order to strengthen their position and direct socially responsible action towards greater visibility and data accessibility.

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