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There are 22 institutional members associated in the Czech national branch of IAML, today. Its last annual plenary meeting was held in autumn 2007 in the new and beautifully arranged rooms at Municipal Library in Ostrava. Reports dealing with the working results and problems of particular music libraries were discussed, among which problems of electronic services and copyrights were the most common. Also an interesting paper dealing with music and singing capabilities of children was presented by docent Květuše Nepilová Lísková. A traditional seminar arranged in the cooperation with Mahen's Library continued in Brno. Its topic, *Czech Baroque Music*, was selected on the occasion of the 10th anniversary of that seminar.

Members of the Czech branch also participated at the plenary session of the Slovak branch, which was held in Banská Bystrica last autumn. There was an interesting seminar dealing with the protection and public exploitation of music collections that are allocated in music libraries and museums.

The program of this year's plenary session of our branch is established. The session will be held at Martinu Institut in Prague. The elections of the new board and problems joined to the copyrights are put at its first plan attention.

Members of our branch also participated in improving mutual communication between particular music libraries and its workers by implementing new web page at the address: http://www.nkp.cz/IAML. It contains the directory of Czech music libraries and data necessary for contacts with their workers. We hope, that at least most interesting reports allocated at this web site will be presented also in English, in the shortest possible time.

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