

## Czech Republic, report 2011

The Czech National Branch has for some years stabilized their numbers at 24 institutional members, half of which are also international members. The special seminars organized during year took place and involved librarians who aren't direct members of IAML.

The last annual plenary session of the Czech Branch took place from 20 to 21 November 2010 in Prague at the Department of Music History of The Institute of Ethnology of the Academy of Sciences of the Czech Republic and we were welcome guests at the new reconstructed Library of this Institution (http://www.imus.cz/en/library).

The Head of the Department of Music History, Prof. Jarmila Gabrielova, reported about the complicated past and present of this prestigious and important Czech research institution in the field of music. Next, the mostly young music researchers presented their projects. Jan Kachlik spoke about a new Dvořák complete critical edition in connection with the fonds in Czech libraries and other institutions. We also heard very interesting information about the spread of Mozart's music in Europe through numerous Prague transcriptions, presented by Mozart specialist Milada Jonášová. In the field of old Czech music research, Tomáš Slavický spoke on several edition projects and some results of interdisciplinary cooperation on the topic of the Czech hymnology. Pavel Kordík presented his work on the monograph on the late compositions by Miroslav Kabeláč. He also updated us on the work of RILM National Committee of the Czech Republic. Jana Vozková gave us a tour of the library of the Department of Music History.

The next day, colleagues from the other important Prague institutions also joined us and presented papers. We learned about several edition projects in the Archive of Czech Radio and about the workings of the music collection of the Archive of the Prague Conservatory, which celebrate 200th anniversary of its foundation.

We continue to have good cooperation between the Czech and Slovak national branches. We welcomed two guests to our conference: Anna Kucianová, Chair of the Slovak National Branch and Martina Božeková, Head of the Department of Music Manuscripts in the Slovak National Library in Martin.

The next meeting of the librarians took place in Moravia. Our colleagues from the Music Department of the Jiří Mahen Library in Brno arranged the educational seminar on Hudba zemí bývalého východního bloku [Music from the Former East Block Countries] in mid-May 2011.

In the present, we are preparing the programme for the autumn meeting of the Czech National Branch of IAML which will take place in Prague. We would like introduce the projects of



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digitization in Czech Music Libraries and we going hold elections for the Board of Czech National Branch of IAML.

At the request of the Czech Minister of Culture, the members of the Czech National Branch made a motion on an amendment in the Czech Copyright Law regarding the copying of sheet music in libraries. This action was coordinated with a similar project by the Association of Library and Information Professionals of the Czech Republic (SKIP).

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