

The Croatian Web Archive (HAW), the program of the National and University Library in Zagreb, is a collection of archived web resources.

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What is the HAW?

Established in 2004, the Croatian Web Archive (HAW) is an archiving programme of the National and University Library in Zagreb focusing on the development of the collection of Croatian web resources archived from the national and several other web domains. The collected web resources complement Croatica, the Library's national collection, adding to it varied scientifically and culturally relevant content. Great care is taken to ensure that archived resources are preserved in their entirety, original format and with all the accompanying functionalities, in order that they can be made available for future access and use.

What is archived in HAW?

News portals, thematic websites, blogs, websites of institutions, associations, events, books and journals. Resources are chosen for cataloguing and archiving based on clearly defined selection criteria (haw.nsk.hr/en/selection-criteria), at intervals whose frequency is determined by the National and University Library in Zagreb. In addition, the Library regularly carries out annual crawls of the national web domain and those specifically targeting websites related to themes, issues or events of great national importance.

How to search HAW?

Archived resources are available at haw.nsk.hr and may be searched by title, URL and keywords, and browsed by subject or alphabetically. Advanced search options are also available. A unique bibliographic record is created for each web resource archived in HAW, so the Archive's entire content is also included in the online catalogue of the National and University Library in Zagreb (katalog.nsk.hr). Resources archived as a result of the regular national web domain crawls may be searched by entering a website URL at haw.nsk.hr/en/harvesting-of-the-national-web-domain. Also, websites archived through targeted harvesting of web content of great national importance may be accessed at haw.nsk.hr/en/thematic-harvestings, where the collected websites are grouped by themes/events.

Through systematically collecting Croatian web resources, HAW's mission is to ensure the long-term preservation of Croatian born-digital cultural heritage and make it available for future use.

Software

HAW uses the DAMP-based software customised by the University of Zagreb University Computing Centre (SRCE), taking great care to ensure that archived resources are preserved in their entirety, original format and with all the accompanying functionalities, in order that they can be made available for future access and use. Also, in carrying out regular national web domain crawls and crawls targeting specific online content, it uses a version of the Heritrix free software customised by SRCE.

How to submit your website for archiving?

Submit details about your website by using a standardised registration form (haw.nsk.hr/en/registration_form). Based on processing the details you provide as the website's publisher/author, we will archive it according to the provisions of the current Croatian Library Act regarding legal deposit.