

From the Editors

The first issue of the “Studies into the History of the Book and Book Collections” quarterly (an annual since 2019) includes, as usual, texts concerning the history of the book and documentation of the written heritage. Its main part consists of six original articles on the history of the book and libraries both in Poland and abroad. *Literary review*, *Chronicle*, and *List of abbreviations* will be published in the last issue of this volume. Thanks to the transformation of the journal into a quarterly the articles will be faster available within the scholar communication, and their citation rate will increase.

As usual, we would like to thank the Authors for their interesting texts, the Reviewers for their comments and support for the Authors and Editors, and members of the Editorial Council for cooperation, which enabled the development of the best possible publication in its both electronic and printed forms. We would like to ask the Authors for continued cooperation with our journal, even though it has not been included in the list of academic journals published in the adequate regulation of the Ministry of Science and Higher Education on November 28, 2019. In consequence, the “Studies into the History of the Book and Book Collections” receives 5 points. The situation will not change without your continued support.

For our part, we continue the works on adaptation of the journal to the standards of electronic publishing. Therefore we attribute a digital object identifier (DOI) to each article and we require the authors to indicate their ORCID (Open Researcher and Contributor ID) number. We also create a title page for each article separately. We have tried to find new authors and reviewers, mostly from abroad, to increase the level of the journal’s internationalization, and to join the Open Access movement, offering the journal’s content under the Commons CC BY-NC 4.0 license.

We have been continuing the activities for which we received the Ministry of Science and Higher Education grant (agreement No 653/P-DUN/2019) on the participation of foreign experts in the reviewing process; development of the English language version of publications (translation of selected articles), digitalization of archive articles, accompanied by Polish and English abstracts and keywords, to enable open access to these texts on the Internet, as well as implementation and maintenance of the digital editorial platform. The content of this issue belongs to the results of the grant realization.

We do believe that all our works and activities, as well as cooperation with the Authors – and the community of the experts in book studies as a whole

– would contribute to the positive evaluation and incorporation of our journal into the list of academic journals of the Minister of Science and Higher Education.

The digital version of the “Studies into the History of the Book and Book Collections” is the original one. However, whether this fact or the planned and implemented changes, we would like to ensure that the journal will also be published in its traditional, printed version.

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