

THE UNIVERSITY OF FERRARA (UNIFE) LIBRARIES UNVEIL THEIR HERITAGE TO FULFILL NEW GOALS:

completed actions, plans and opportunities supporting Research, Education and Third Mission
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THE UNIFE LIBRARIES' SPECIAL COLLECTIONS IN THE 'CITY OF FERRARA UNIVERSITY CAMPUS'



ARCHITECTURE LIBRARY
CHEMISTRY AND LIFE SCIENCES LIBRARY
ECONOMICS LIBRARY
HUMANITIES LIBRARY
LAW LIBRARY
MATHS AND IT LIBRARY
SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY LIBRARY
UNIVERSITY HISTORICAL ARCHIVE

About 10.000 rare books
More than 3.000 archival items

THE UNIFE LIBRARY SYSTEM (FERRARA, ITALY)

9 Libraries mostly housed in **historical buildings** in
Ferrara city of the Renaissance - UNESCO World Heritage

3 offices for acquisitions, ILL/DD and IT services

STRATEGIC GOALS for Research, Education and Third Mission
ALIGNED with the parent University's ones

THE FERRARA AREA LIBRARIES NETWORK (UFE NETWORK)

- University
- City/town Councils
- Schools
- Cultural organizations

SHARING

Library Services Customer Charter
BiblioFe collective catalogue and web portal
Facebook and Twitter accounts

The UFE Network takes part in the **National Library Service (SBN)**

SPECIAL COLLECTIONS - SCs: CARE & PROMOTION

AMBASSADORS

original
identifying unique
primary sources
fascinating
local interest

2008-2010
REORGANIZING

- mapping, checking; gathering documents on collections' history
- assessing conditions; cleaning; disinfestation
- bringing together parts and relocating
- improving regulations for handling

2008-2016
CATALOGUING

- about 5.000 books, including copy-specific information
- more than 3.000 archival items

2012-2017
RESTORATION

- 19 books restored and 8 still under treatment
- 65 archival items restored

2015-2016
DIGITIZING

- about 1.700 Savonuzzi's archival items digitized
- images online open access

through

COOPERATION

teaching and non-teaching staff
schools
museums archives
institutions private companies

NETWORK

SYNERGY

PARTNERSHIP

through
mainly audiovisual
and digital media

GOALS

awareness
new audiences enjoyment
sharing knowledge supporting research and education



2016
BOOK
RESTORATION
AND
CATALOGUING
STORYTELLING

VIDEOS ON YOUTUBE

Highlighting these professional activities
Introducing the restorer and cataloguer jobs
Providing 'a taste of' Unife's rare books

TARGET AUDIENCES

Unife users;
web users



2016
DISCOVERING
THE
SAVONUZZI
ARCHIVE

EXHIBITIONS AND WORKSHOPS

VIDEOS ON YOUTUBE
Showing its value, of great local interest
Letting school students experience it

TARGET AUDIENCES

Unife users; local schools;
citizens; web users



2016
REMINING
OF THE SCs
ANYWHERE

HERITAGE-INSPIRED GIFTS

Spreading information on SCs' existence
in an easy and direct way

TARGET AUDIENCES

Unife users;
everybody else



2017
SHARING
KNOWLEDGE
TO IMPROVE
MANAGEMENT
OF SCs

AT SALONE RESTAURO-MUSEI (FERRARA, MARCH 22-24)

- ROUND TABLE DISCUSSION & PROCEEDINGS (OA E-BOOK)
- DISPLAY OF GIFTS AND VIDEOS

TARGET AUDIENCES
Heritage professionals;
scholars; citizens

SCHEDULED CHECKING

- use of collections by different audiences
- videos and social media
- seminars, workshops, exhibitions
- observation and interviews (real/virtual)

... TO BE PLANNED

- surveys
- focus group interviews

PLANS & IDEAS (2017-)

EUROPEAN YEAR OF CULTURAL HERITAGE 2018

- relocating most SCs in a unique site
- 'Stories of books and palaces': tours of the Libraries
- restoring a 16th century book: short documentary film
- thematic exhibition(s) in cooperation with other institutions

POTENTIAL FINANCIAL SUPPORT

- UNIFE FUNDS AND PUBLIC INSTITUTIONS' CONTRIBUTIONS
- PRIVATE SPONSORSHIPS AND DONATIONS
- ART BONUS < WWW.ARTBONUS.GOV.IT >

UPDATING STAKEHOLDERS