



Cooperation of the Digital Library of Slovenia – dLib

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We are pleased to express our support for the initiative to establish a portal dedicated to the Novo Mesto Gymnasium Graduates – the oldest public gymnasium in Slovenia, which they have successfully completed over the decades. Such a portal would significantly contribute to preserving the memory of generations of graduates, their achievements – the results of research and artistic creation, photographs, testimonies and other valuable content that make up the identity of the Novo Mesto Gymnasium and the wider, not only local, area.

The portal would also enable modern online connectivity: support for publications, easier sharing of materials and linking the content of graduates with other relevant online sources and collections. The initiative also has a strong community significance, as it strengthens belonging, encourages intergenerational contact and recognises the contribution of high school graduates to the cultural and intellectual development of the environment.

We would like to emphasize that the National and University Library is ready to cooperate with its knowledge and experience in the field of designing digital libraries, digital collections and editing and long-term preservation of digital content. With professional support in the design of information structures, metadata, organization of materials and planning of the user experience, we can together ensure that the portal will be of high quality, durable and accessible to different generations of users.

We believe that it makes sense to provide the conditions for the use and development of such a portal, as it is an inclusive, culturally significant and long-term sustainable form of digital heritage. Such a project is an opportunity to convincingly connect the rich tradition of the gymnasiums with modern digital possibilities and become visible and useful in the future and as an example for other similar educational institutions.