

## **Dragica Krstić**

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Dragica Krstić is the Head of the Preservation and Storage Department at the National and University Library in Zagreb with long-standing and wide-ranging experience in the field of heritage protection.

She graduated in Chemical Engineering and Technology from the University of Zagreb, where she also obtained her doctorate degree in Information and Communication Sciences.

Her professional experience includes working as a paper conservator and restorer at the National and University Library in Zagreb, conservation chemist at the Croatian Conservation Institute and lecturer at the Arts Academy, University of Split. She was formerly the Head of the Natural Science Laboratory at the Croatian Conservation Institute, during which period she specialised in deterioration diagnostics and conservation treatment evaluation.

Through her current research interests in the field of preservation and conservation of material cultural heritage she especially focuses on management issues and the relation in which heritage protection stands with community needs.

Her most recent activities have been in the field of disaster risk management and heritage protection in cases of various emergencies, in which context she organised many workshops, training courses, seminars and an international conference, and is currently working on the development of guidelines for the protection of library resources under the conditions of crisis.