



**THE FIFTH INTERNATIONAL SUMMER CAMP  
YOUTH AND HERITAGE  
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**WORKSHOP ON  
THE PROTECTION AND PRESERVATION OF LIBRARY  
AND ARCHIVAL MATERIALS  
2<sup>nd</sup> – 17<sup>th</sup> of August, 2010  
Stolac, Podgradski konak**



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The remains of a rich culture going back over ten thousand years are to be found in and around the town of Stolac. These remains are sometimes only recognisable with difficulty, sometimes obvious to all. These remains provide an opportunity to research and find answers to questions arising out of our current condition, which we have reached from somewhere, just as we will leave it for somewhere else. Building up and tearing down are both part of our sojourn here. If we are to live and prosper, however, and preserve our dignity, we must show due respect for what we have inherited and what we too will leave behind ourselves.

Heritage takes two forms – tangible and intangible. The boundary between them can be difficult to determine. The things we inherit (dressed stone, wood, ironwork, leather, cloth, parchment, etc) are clearly tangible. Skills, folkways, and values are intangible. Both contribute to our formation, so that our life is one shared with both our ancestors and our descendents: they live with us, even when we know little of them.

Manuscript and printed papers and books contain testimony and bequests of importance to both their guardians and those for whom they pass them on. This particular form of heritage is susceptible to a variety of visible and invisible destructive factors – micro-organisms, bugs, animals and people, dust and damp. The living cannot preserve their dignity, if they do not protect and conserve their archives and books.

A workshop on the Protection and Conservation of Library and Archival Material will be organised as part of the Fourth International Summer Camp on Youth and Heritage in Stolac.

The workshop will run from the 2<sup>nd</sup> to the 17<sup>th</sup> of August 2010 at the Centre for Human Rights of the Stolac Youth Forum (the Hadži Alija Šarić House at the Muftićevina in Stolac). Participants will learn to protect and preserve archival and library materials. They will apply protective treatment to selected examples of archival material, while also making working copies of selected manuscripts. They will practice bookbinding, using copies of journals and books of particular significance for the history of Stolac.

The workshop will be conducted by Nermin Ibrulj, an assistant at the National and University Library in Sarajevo.

All participants will be issued a certificate of achievement.