



Gradska knjižnica
"Ivan Goran Kovačić"
Karlovac



Green library - a case study of the Public Library "Ivan Goran Kovačić" Karlovac"

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1. Our Green History

- ▶ The Public Library „Ivan Goran Kovačić“ in Karlovac is the central library of Croatia's Karlovac County
- ▶ Our Green story started way back in 1976 when the Karlovac Public library was built as the first building originally designed as a library building in Croatia, as well as the broader region
- ▶ The Green story continues in 2007 with the addition of a completely energy-efficient building featuring the Green roof - a green oasis on its roof
- ▶ The energy-efficient library building, green oases in the library spaces, quality green literature and many eco events contributed to improvements in the local community



- The Green Story of Karlovac Public library - synergy of the institution's strategic guidelines in collaboration with the local community

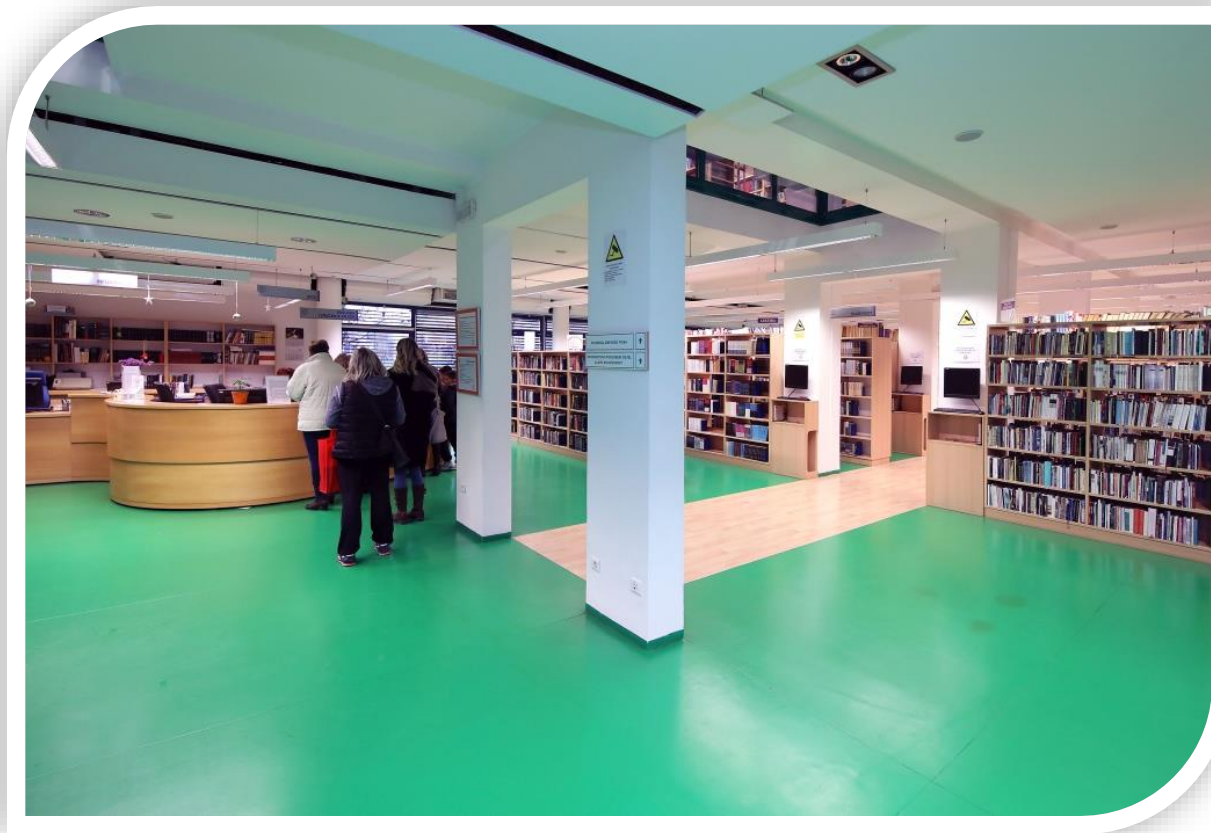


2. Our Green Building



- The library building is composed of two segments

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The Karlovac Library building meets several key criteria of green libraries

2. Our Green Building



- After 40 years, time had come for the energy renovation of the building (co-funded by the European Union by the European Regional Development Fund, Operational Programme Competitiveness and Cohesion 2014 – 2020., as well as by several ministries of the Croatian government)

2. Our Green Building



The new section of the library building was energy efficient and got its Green Roof



3. Our Green Programs



The Karlovac Public Library:

- city's oldest cultural institution,
- strategic plan with the specific goal of environmental impact on the community

3. Our Green Programs

- Series of lectures entitled Let's Talk Green,
- Green Energy Efficient Library (ZeeK)
- Screenings of documentary films
- Events in public spaces
- Beautification of the library spaces and their surroundings,
- Recycling workshop for children
- The Library on the Beach
- Exhibitions
- Green publishing
- Series of storytelling for adults „Let's Talk Green...In Good Company”

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- Library on the Beach



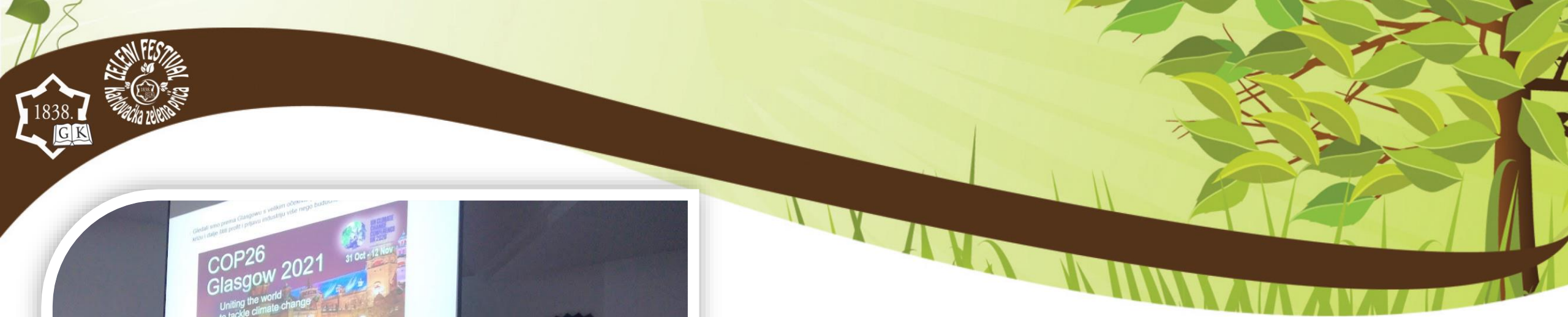
4. Our Green Festival

- Since 2020, once a year, Public Library "Ivan Goran Kovačić" organizes Karlovac Green Festival
- 4 festivals have been held so far, each with a new relevant theme

Pridružite nam se u ponedjeljak,
26. lipnja 2023. godine od 9 do 16 sati, na
4. Zelenom festivalu – Karlovačkoj zelenoj priči
u Gradskoj knjižnici „Ivan Goran Kovačić“ Karlovac,
Ljudevita Šestića 1, Karlovac

- Stručni skup s međunarodnim sudjelovanjem, pozvana predavanja na temu **Knjižnice i održivi turizam**, Ilirska dvorana od 10 do 14 sati
 - **Uloga turizma u očuvanju kulturne baštine**, izv. prof. dr. sc. Kristina Bučar, Ekonomski fakultet u Zagrebu, Katedra za turizam
 - **Mr. & Mrs. F. L. Schlagle knjižnica i centar za okoliš / Mr. & Mrs. F. L. Schlagle Library and Environmental Center**, Carol Levers, Kansas City Kansas Public Library, SAD
 - **Zelena knjižnica – Zelena mislenost – Zelena aktivacija**, Bernardka Viher, prof. slo. i teol., Knjižnica Franca Ksavra Meška Ormož, Slovenija
 - **Digitalna i društvena transformacija prepoznavanja i vrednovanja turističkih atrakcija – novi izazovi i nova rješenja**, Željko Trezner, mag. rel. int. et dip., direktor, Ferial d.o.o., Karlovac
 - **Održivi razvoj – Što znači globalno? Što znači lokalno?**, Snježana Turalija, managing Director at GREENIKA savjetovanje, trgovina i ostale usluge
 - **Knjižnica u oku turista**, Ivaničica Šebalj, prof. hrv. i turistički vodič, Udruga Bastion
- Otvorenje izložbe radova „Zelena arhitektura – Arhitekture visoke energetske učinkovitosti“, autor red. prof. art. Ljubomir Mišević, dipl. ing. arh., Arhitektonski fakultet Sveučilišta u Zagrebu, Izložbeni salon „Ljudevit Šestić“, kratki prikaz postava, Ilirska dvorana u 14:15 sati
- Postav izložbe **Najbolje zelene knjižnice – svjetski primjeri dobre prakse „zelenog knjižničarstva“**, autorica Ana Rubić, izložba je organizirana u suradnji s Nacionalnom i sveučilišnom knjižnicom u Zagrebu – Radnom grupom za zelene knjižnice Hrvatskoga knjižničarskog društva i Radnom skupinom za okoliš, održivost i knjižnice Međunarodnoga saveza knjižničarskih društava i ustanova (IFLA), predvorje
- Posterska izlaganja s primjerima dobre prakse na temu **Knjižnica i održivi razvoj, Knjižnica i ekologija ili Knjižnica i turizam**, Ilirska dvorana od 14:30 do 16 sati
- **Sajam OPG-ova te predstavljanje institucija i udruga** koje se bave ekologijom te promiču zaštitu i očuvanje okoliša, ispred Knjižnice od 9 do 15 sati
- **Dječje pričaoalice i radionice s književnicom Ivanom Francisković**, ispred Knjižnice u 10 i 13 sati

Organizator 4. Zelenog festivala je Gradska knjižnica „Ivan Goran Kovačić“ Karlovac u suorganizaciji s javnom ustanovom Aquatika – Slatkovodnim akvarijem Karlovac, Turističkom zajednicom grada Karlovca, u partnerstvu s Knjižnicom Filozofskog fakulteta u Zagrebu te uz financijsku podršku Grada Karlovca i Ministarstva kulture i medija RH.



- Experts from the fields of librarianship, biology, agronomy and other scientific fields, through invited speakers presentations, provide answers to questions related to the specifics of the Green Festival theme



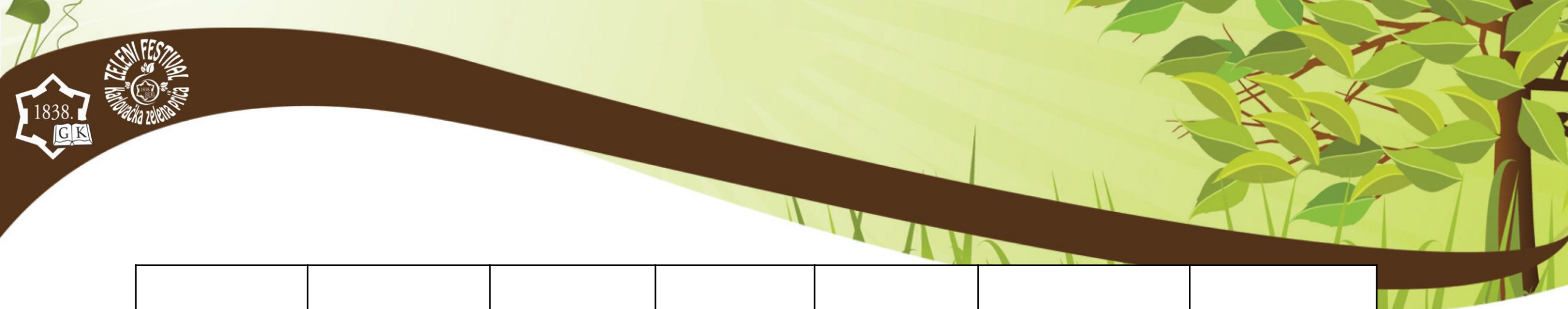
- Poster presentations of all exhibitors is held in front of the library



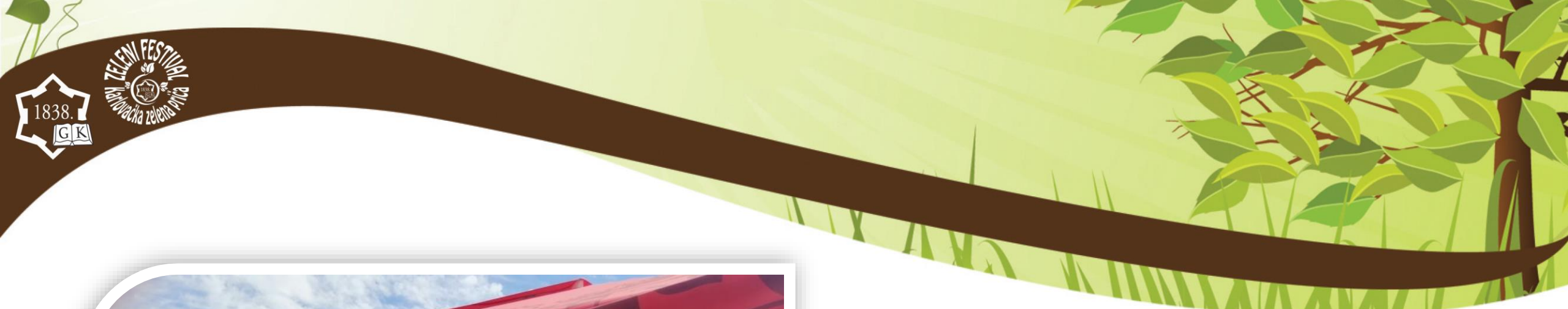
- Choosing the best poster with special gifts for the first three places



- Each year there is an agricultural products fair in front of the library



Green Festival in numbers	Number of lecturer	Number of posters	Number of family farms	Number of exhibitions	Number of books presentations	Number of participants and visitors
2020.	4	10	7	2	1	1565
2021.	4	12	6	2	1	1778
2022.	4	10	8	2	1	1832
2023.	6	12	9	2	1	1858
In total	18	44	30	8	4	7033



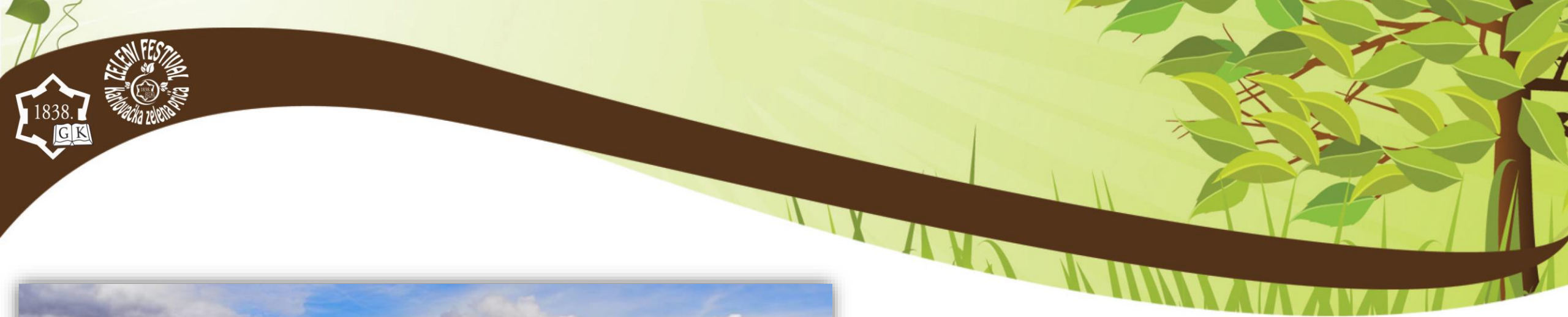
- The festival is organized with financial support of the Ministry of Culture and Media of the Republic of Croatia, the City of Karlovac and in co-organization with the Karlovac Tourist Board, Public Institution Aquatika - Freshwater Aquarium Karlovac and the Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences Zagreb



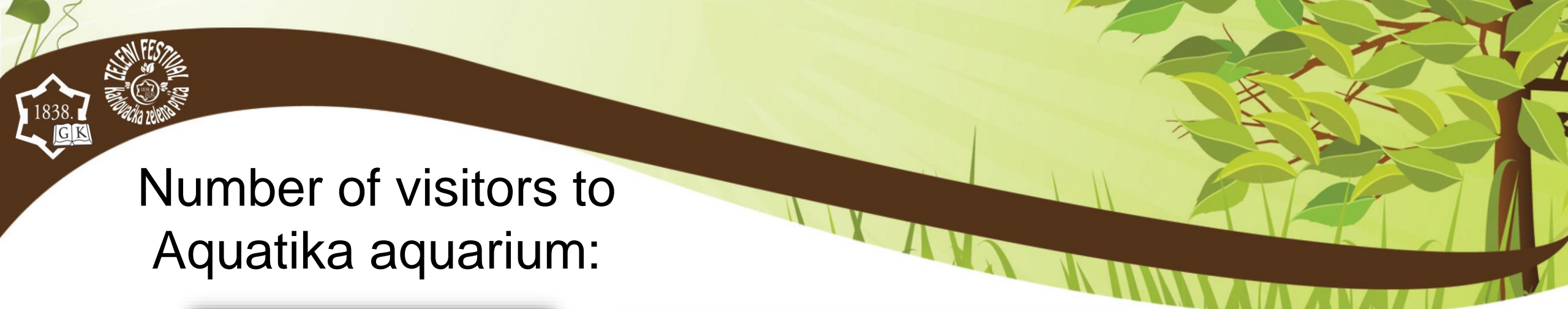
5. Our Green Library

- The Green Library, a dislocated branch of the Public library „Ivan Goran Kovačić” was officially opened on 12th April 2023





- The Green Library was created in cooperation between the Library and the Aquatika - Freshwater Aquarium Karlovac.
- Library is located in Aquatika on the bank of the river Korana

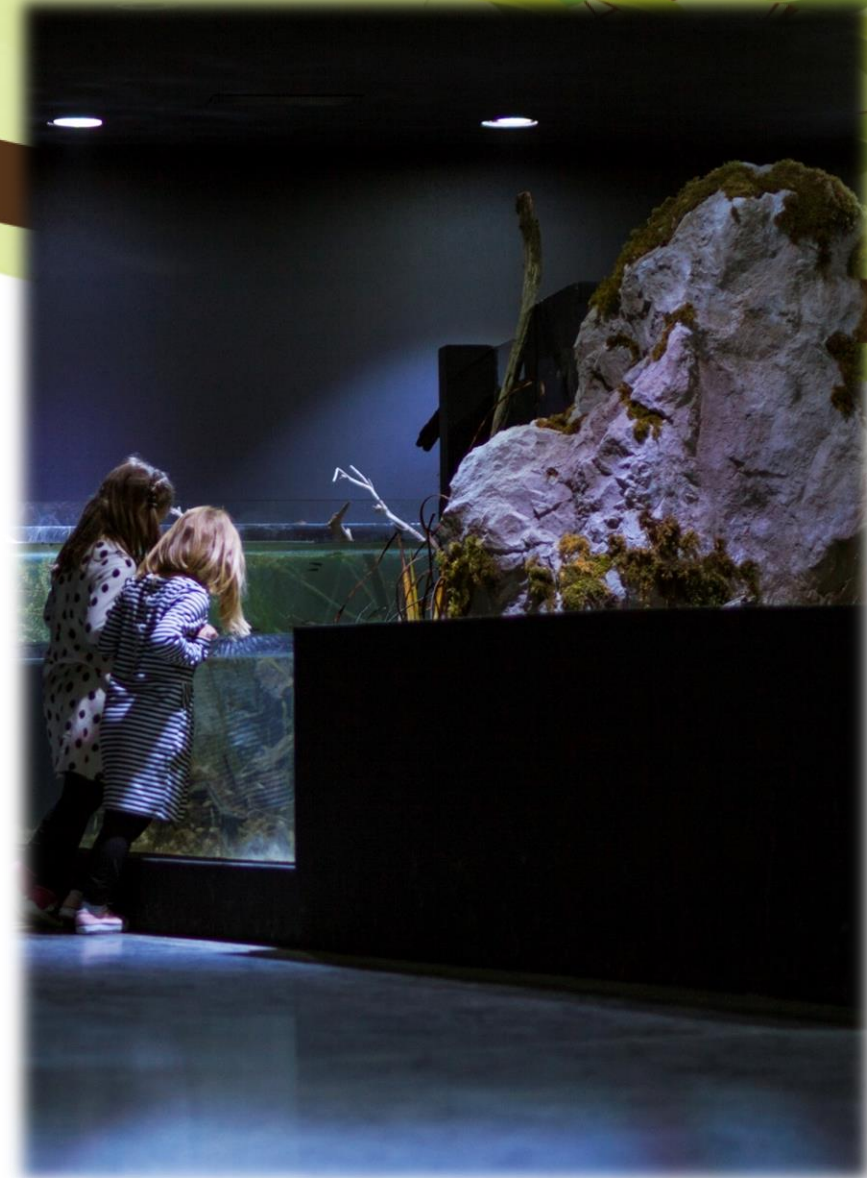


Number of visitors to Aquatika aquarium:



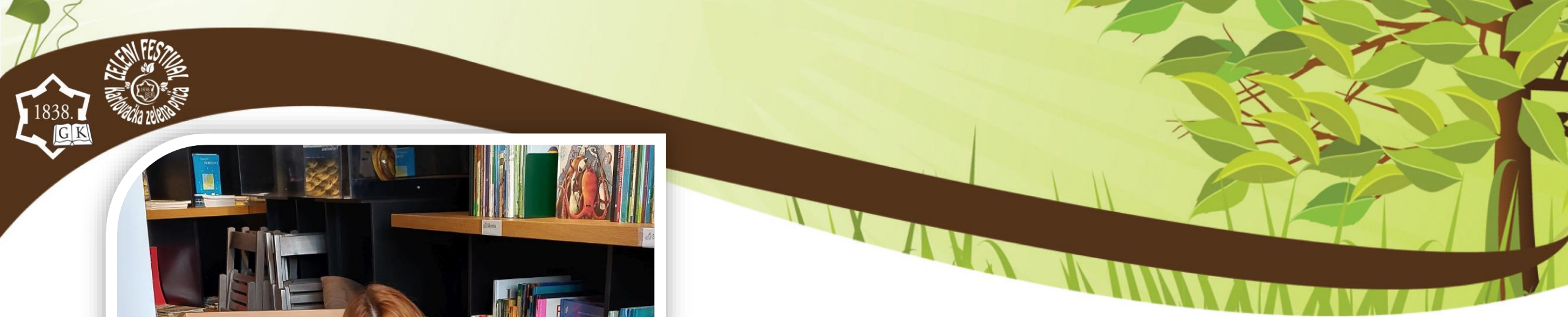
Aquatika aquarium target groups:

- ✓ Families with children
- ✓ Students
- ✓ Nature lovers
- ✓ Experts and scientists
- ✓ Aquarists and fishermen
- ✓ Visitors to events
- ✓ Caterers, hoteliers, professional associations, travel agencies and tour operators, general business entities





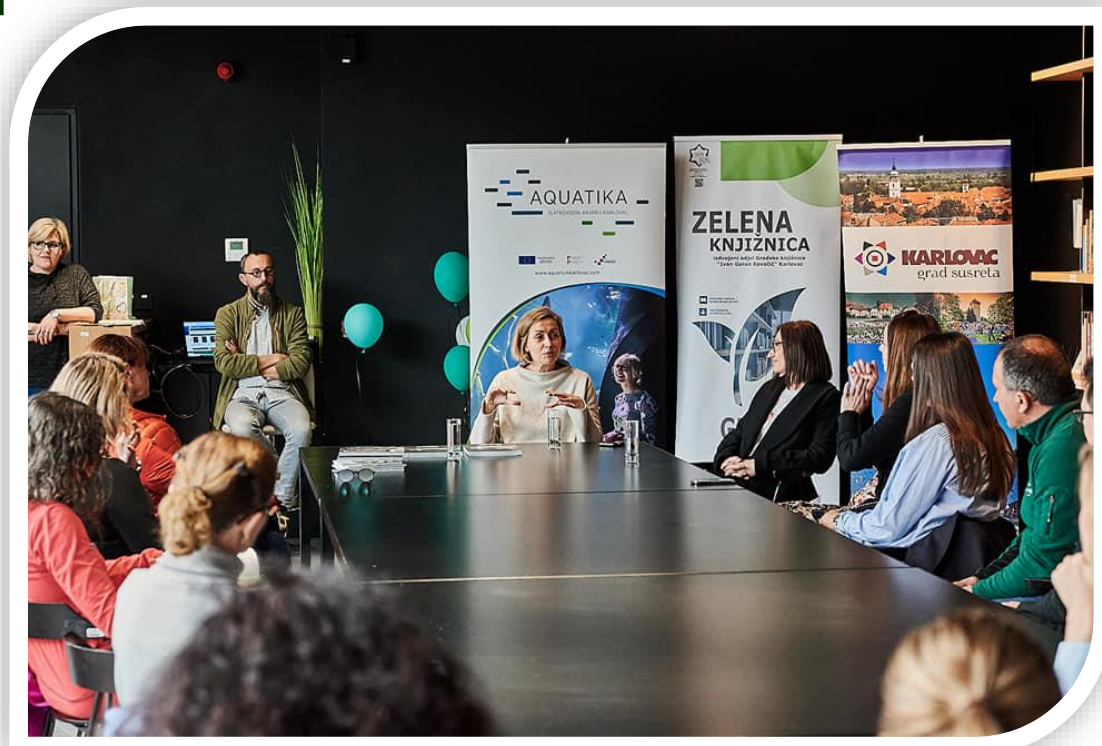
- **Green Library** has a collection of cca 2000 books from the field of natural sciences, ecology, popular science, travelogues, ecological picture books and science for children

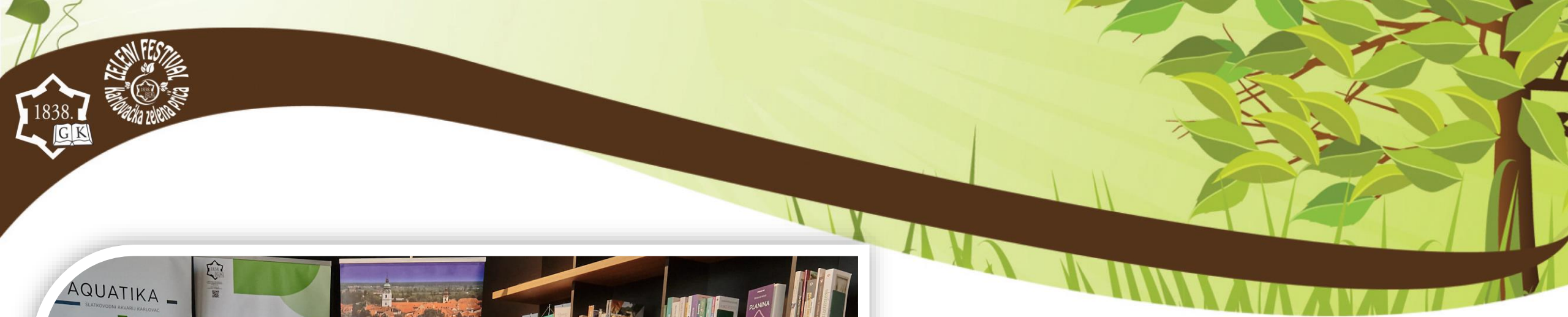


- Every **Saturday** at 10 am there is **Eco-story reading time for children**

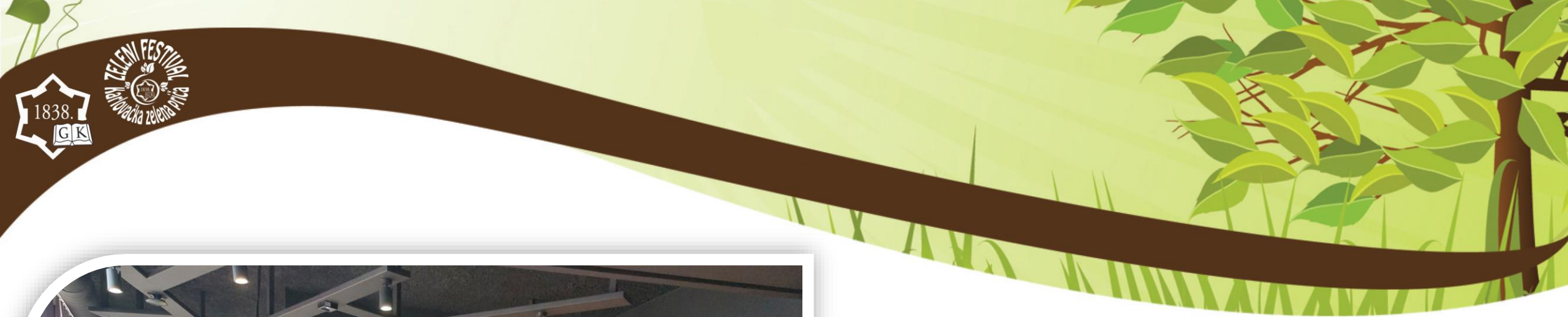


- Literary meetings with authors are organized





- Eco-workshops for children



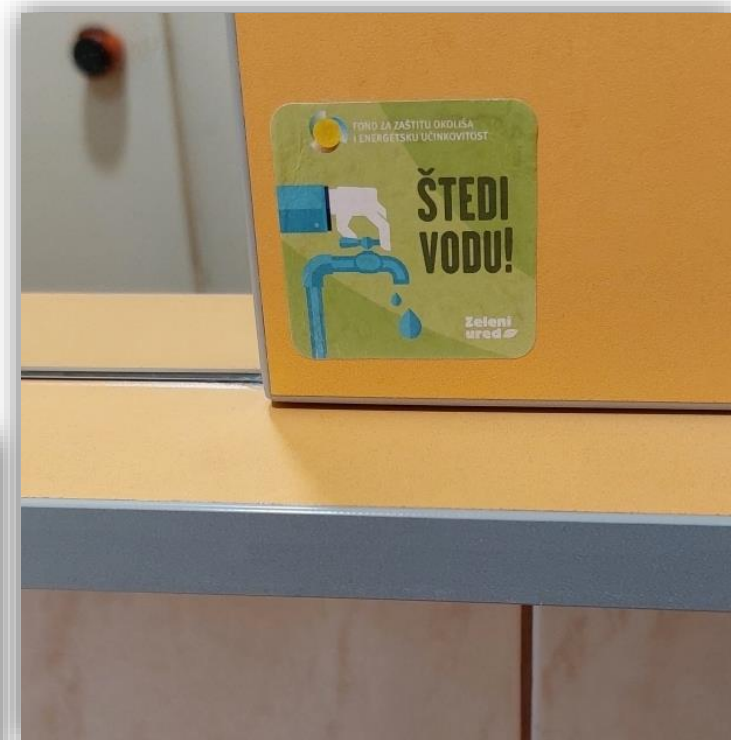
- Lectures about bio-diversity, local flora & fauna etc.





6. Our green awareness

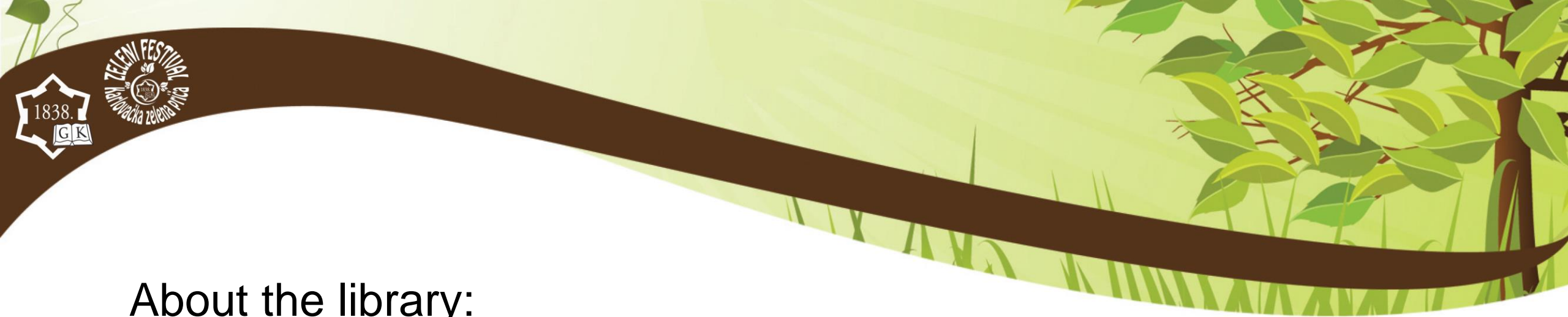
- Employees are educated about recycling and minimal production of waste
- Reminders in the library building:
Print on both sides!, Save water!



7. Our Strategic plan

- The Green library is highly positioned in the library's Strategic plan





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