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ABOUT THE INFORMATION COMMISSIONER



An independent and autonomous body that protects, monitors and promotes the right of citizens to access public information on the basis of the Right of Access to Information Act.

THE BASIC ROLE OF THE INFORMATION COMMISSIONER IS TO:

- ▶ PROTECT the right of citizens to access information,
- ▶ PROMOTE the right of access to information of the public and
- ▶ CARRY OUT monitoring over the implementation of the Right of Access to Information Act

THE RIGHT OF ACCESS TO INFORMATION ACT (OG 25/2013, 85/2015)

- ▶ Regulates the right of access to information and the re-use of information owned by public authorities
- ▶ Obligations of public authorities - Article 10



ABOUT THE OFFICE



The Central State Office for the Development of the Digital Society was established according to the Act on the organization and jurisdiction of the ministries and other central state administration bodies (OG 93/2016), which entered into force on 16 October 2016.

SCOPE OF WORK:

- ▶ Drafting policy proposals for the development of the digital society and the creation of methodology for monitoring progress and assessing the effects of policies
- ▶ Popularization of digital skills development and inclusiveness
- ▶ Monitoring, proposing and coordinating the development and use of information and communication technology
- ▶ Coordinating projects related to the development of the digital society
- ▶ Ensuring the unique and permanent availability and re-use of publicly available official documents and information of the Republic of Croatia and other open data for all stakeholders on equal terms and impartially through:
 - ▶ Open Data Portal and the
 - ▶ Central Catalogue of Official Documents of the Republic of Croatia

ABOUT DATATHON



DATATHON - HACKATHON FOCUSED ON DATA

- ▶ Datathon participants can:
 - ▶ Learn more about open data
 - ▶ Explore solutions
 - ▶ Develop applications and interactive visualizations that provide citizens, public authorities and business operators with new services or access to public information
 - ▶ Use at least one data set published by public authorities on the Open Data Portal



ABOUT THE PROJECT



IMPLEMENTATION PERIOD: 24 months
(From 28 May 2019 to 28 May 2021)

TOTAL VALUE: HRK 6.798.000,00

BENEFICIARY: Central State Office for the Development of the Digital Society

DESCRIPTION: The implementation of the project Adjustment of Public Authorities Information Systems to the Open Data Portal, which was started on 28 May 2019, will technologically and visually improve the Open Data Portal (data.gov.hr), enable the adjustment of IT systems of public authorities, increase the quality of public authorities data sets publication and enlarge the number of open data set users while strengthening the capacities of state and public administration.

PROJECT OBJECTIVE: To upgrade the open data system (portal), influence the increased publication of open data sets in public authorities as well as on the Open Data Portal, and consequently, the re-use of open data sets by targeted project beneficiaries and other stakeholders.

Adjustment of Public Authorities Information Systems to the Open Data Portal



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WHAT ARE OPEN DATA?

- ▶ Data which can be easily accessed, re-used and shared with anyone - with reference to the author and associates who created the data and distributed under the same conditions
- ▶ As a basis of the Open Government concept, they represent data created by public authorities, whose use for both commercial and/or non-commercial purposes may create added social or economic value (applications, scientific research, and the like)
- ▶ Do not contain personal information nor other legally protected information
- ▶ Need to be in open formats and machine-readable.

WHAT ARE PUBLIC AUTHORITY BODIES?



“Public authority bodies”, for the purpose of the Right of Access to Information Act, are the public authorities, other state authorities, bodies of the local and regional self-government units, legal entities and other persons vested with public authority, legal entities established by the Republic of Croatia or the local and regional self-government units, legal entities engaged in public service, legal entities entirely funded by the state budget or the budget of the local and regional self-government units or from public resources (taxes, contributions, etc.), and companies in which the Republic of Croatia or the local and regional self-government units hold individual or joint majority ownership.



WHAT IS THE RE-USE OF INFORMATION?

“Re-use” is the use of the public authority information by natural persons or legal entities, for commercial or non-commercial purposes different from the original purpose within the public purpose for which this information was created, and which is realised within the frame of the law or other scope prescribed by the regulations, or business that is generally considered a public affair.

HOW TO OBTAIN INFORMATION FOR RE-USE?



- Look for it on the Open Data Portal (data.gov.hr)
- On the city open data portal, if it exists
- On the actual web page of the public authority



ABOUT THE OPEN DATA PORTAL



- ▶ Central spot for the collection, classification and distribution of public authorities' open data
- ▶ Single point of access to open data for re-use by all citizens
- ▶ Metadata catalogue that makes it easier to search for open data
- ▶ Set up in March 2015 pursuant to the Right of Access to Information Act (OG 85/2015)
- ▶ Within the jurisdiction of the Central State Office for the Development of Digital Society since 2018.



CONTENTS OF THE PORTAL

- Data sets published in machine-readable and open format (RDF, XML, HTML, JSON, CSV), which means that they can be read by a machine (computer) and interpreted by open or closed source software
- List of bodies that publish data sets on the Open Data Portal
- Applications developed based on open data sets published on the Open Data Portal
- Documents and other materials on open data
- Glossary

APPLICATIONS ON THE PORTAL



Community friendly applications – developed on the basis of open data

MOST POPULAR APPLICATIONS:

ZAGREB FOOD

an application that enables you to view restaurants and other food facilities in Zagreb

CRORAČUN

an interactive visualization that provides a distinctive view of local and regional self-government through the presentation and comparison of economic, budgetary, demographic and social indicators

GUGALAGA

mini service for finding a kindergarten in the area of the City of Zagreb and its surroundings, and soon in other major cities



ADDITIONAL CONTENT ON THE OPEN DATA PORTAL



GLOSSARY

- Alphabetical list of open data terms
- Useful definitions of open data terms

PUBLICATIONS

- “Open Data for Everyone: Handbook for the Re-Use of Information for Public Authorities”
- “Open Data Policy”
- “Regulation on licence types and content, which determine the conditions for the re-use of information”
- “How to publish open data on the Croatian Open Data Portal?”



OPEN DATA POLICY



Open Data Policy was adopted in July 2018 by the Government of the Republic of Croatia and it represents an umbrella document with unified and elaborated access to open data at national level.

