



Enabling Small, Medium and Local Cultural Organizations to participate in the European Digital Space

Chair: Rob Davies, MDR Partners, UK

Date: 29th October 2012, 14:00-19:00

The half-day workshop will explore the needs of local, small and medium-sized institutions for improvements in e-infrastructure, skills and support in order to enable active and easier participation in the European Digital Libraries initiative and to ensure a full and transparent representation of the local institutions and regions of Europe in Europeana. The current rapid global development of the ICT is a challenging opportunity for the Cultural Heritage institutions. Specific attention will be paid to the potential contribution of small and medium-sized institutions, their aggregators and users in the Mediterranean region. Topics will include:

- National and local aggregation Infrastructures for Cultural Heritage
 - Europeana Cloud strategies
 - Digital preservation and curation
 - Needs and interests of users of local content
 - Integrating archaeological heritage and local history
 - Tools for improving local data quality: professional needs and contribution of
 - Crowdsourcing
 - Support, skills and training for local institutions
1. **e-Infrastructures/Cloud-Computing and the EU - H2020 strategy**
Wim Jansen, European Commission, Belgium
 2. **Aggregation, ingestion and the Cloud: current Europeana strategy**
Jan Molendijk, Europeana Foundation
 3. **Achievements of and challenges faced by local institutions in digitising local archival and museum content and contributing to Europeana: a Norwegian case study.**
Gunnar Urtegaard, Norwegian Arts Council
 4. **Aggregation of local content at national level: the case of Italy**
Rosella Caffo, Ministry of Culture, Italy
 5. **Cloud-based tools for improving data quality. Professional needs and contribution of crowdsourcing**
Runar Bergheim, Avi-Net, Norway



- 6. A lightweight digital library for smaller institutions**
Marcin Werla, Poznan Supercomputing and Networking Center
- 7. Integrating ‘heritage’ and local history for easier use in the Europeana ecosystem**
Kate Fernie, MDR Partners, UK
- 8. Personalised Access to Cultural Heritage Spaces**
Demonstration from the EU Paths Project
Runar Bergheim, Avi-Net, Norway
www.paths-project.eu
- 9. Possibilities for a ‘default’ aggregation service for local content**
Dimitris Gavrilis, Athena RC, Greece
- 10. A case study from Greece**
Ioannis Trohopoulos, Greece
- 11. Support, skills and training for local institutions**
Marcin Werla, Poznan Supercomputing and Networking Center