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Archives Portal Europe - Archival data in the multiverse

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How it began

Image: Algemeen Rijksarchief, Museum voor Moderne Kunst, Koninklijk Museum voor Schilderkunst, Koninklijke Bibliotheek (Museumplein). 1881-1912, 1929. Derde deel. - Inventaris van het archief van het Ministerie van Openbare Werken. Bestuur der Gebouwen. Kaarten en plattegronden van rijksgebouwen, 1860-1982. - BE-A0510 / I 495, 3. - Archives de l'État en Belgique / Rijksarchief in België. - In Copyright

The Report on Archives in the Enlarged European Union

*“Part two [...] deal[s] with institutional, technical and professional aspects of **access to archives**. Particular emphasis is placed on [...] finding aids and archival description; access on line and new research tools; setting up an **Internet Gateway/Portal** to documents and archives in Europe and cooperation with European networking projects in this field [...]”*

See [report](#) from February 2005

The project years: 2009 to 2015



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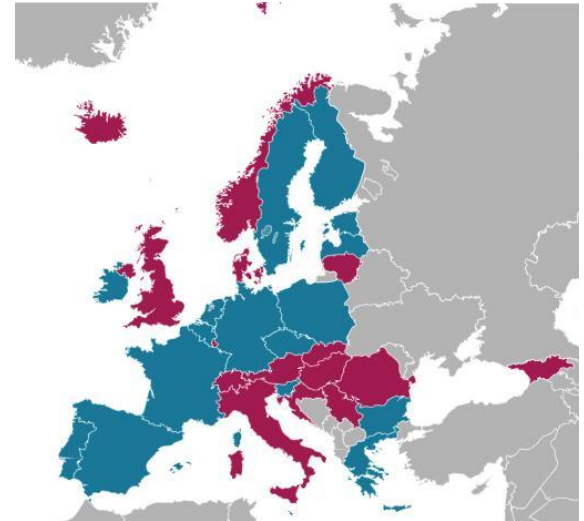


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Horizontal expansion:
from 18 to 34 countries



Vertical expansion:
from national archives
only to a wide array of
institutions with
archival holdings



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Developments around us back then

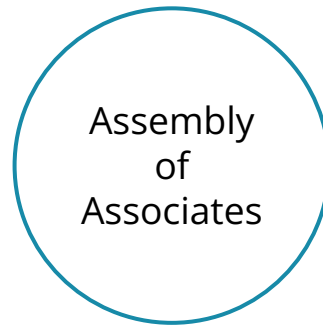




Where we are right now

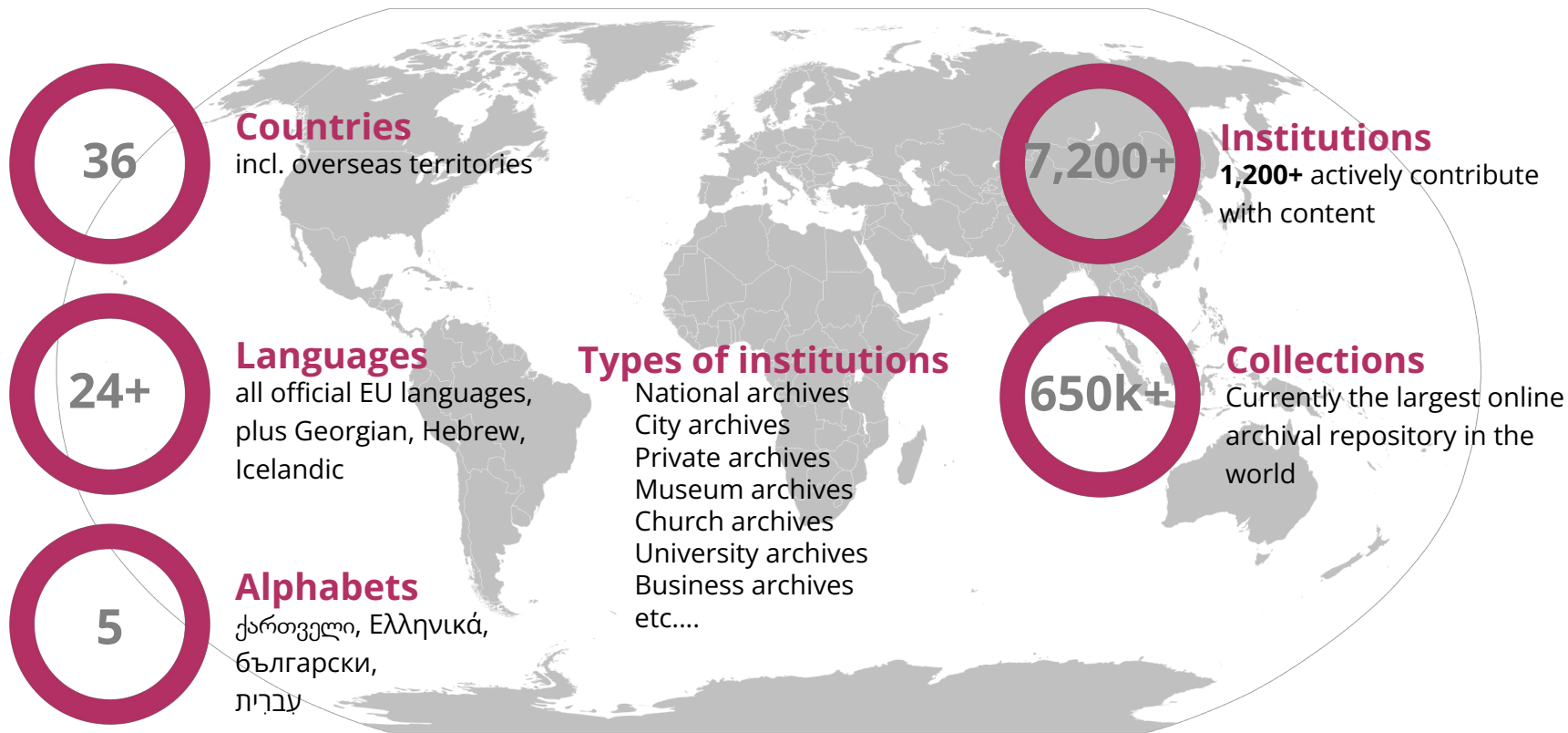
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Archives Portal Europe Foundation: since 2015

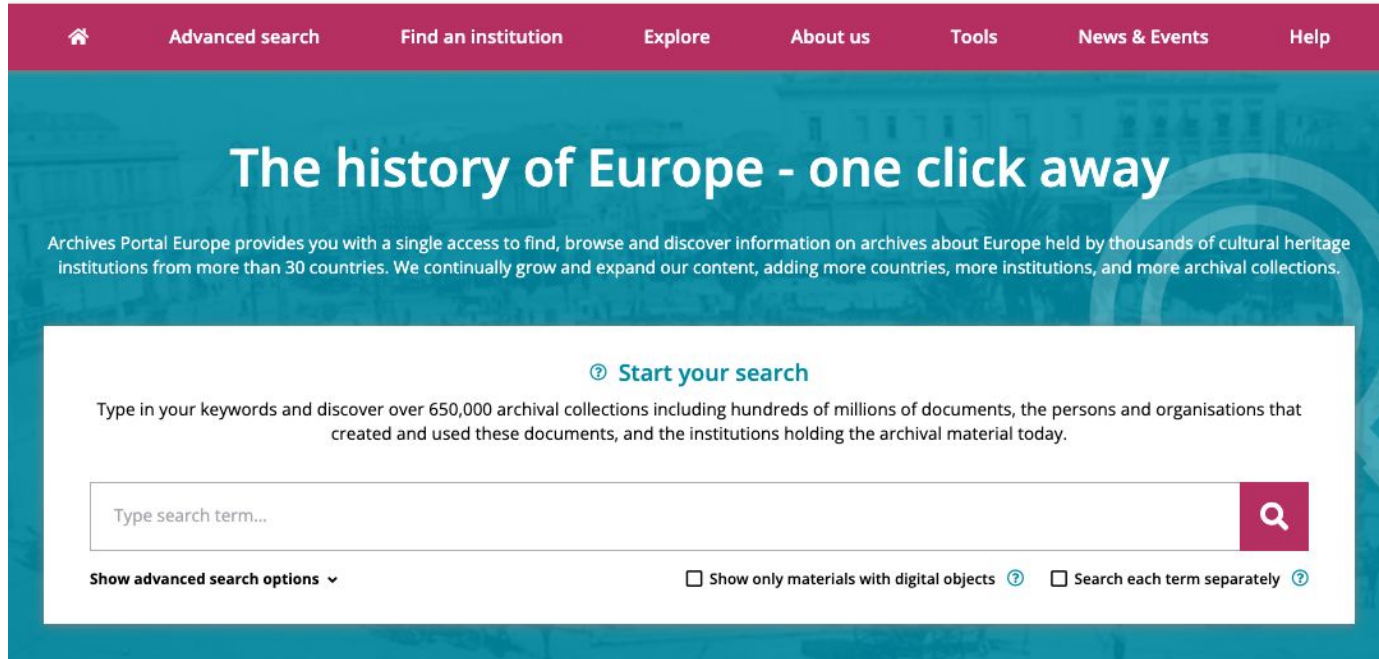


See more at <https://www.archivesportaleurope.net/about-us/who-we-are/>

Contributions and content



Archives Portal Europe

A screenshot of the Archives Portal Europe website. The top navigation bar is dark red with white text for "Advanced search", "Find an institution", "Explore", "About us", "Tools", "News & Events", and "Help". Below this is a teal banner with the headline "The history of Europe - one click away" and a sub-headline: "Archives Portal Europe provides you with a single access to find, browse and discover information on archives about Europe held by thousands of cultural heritage institutions from more than 30 countries. We continually grow and expand our content, adding more countries, more institutions, and more archival collections." The main content area is white and contains a search section titled "Start your search" with a question mark icon. It includes a text input field with the placeholder "Type search term...", a red search button with a white magnifying glass icon, and two checkboxes: "Show advanced search options" (with a dropdown arrow) and "Show only materials with digital objects" (with a question mark icon), and "Search each term separately" (with a question mark icon).



How to provide content

Variations of levels and details

First step (required)

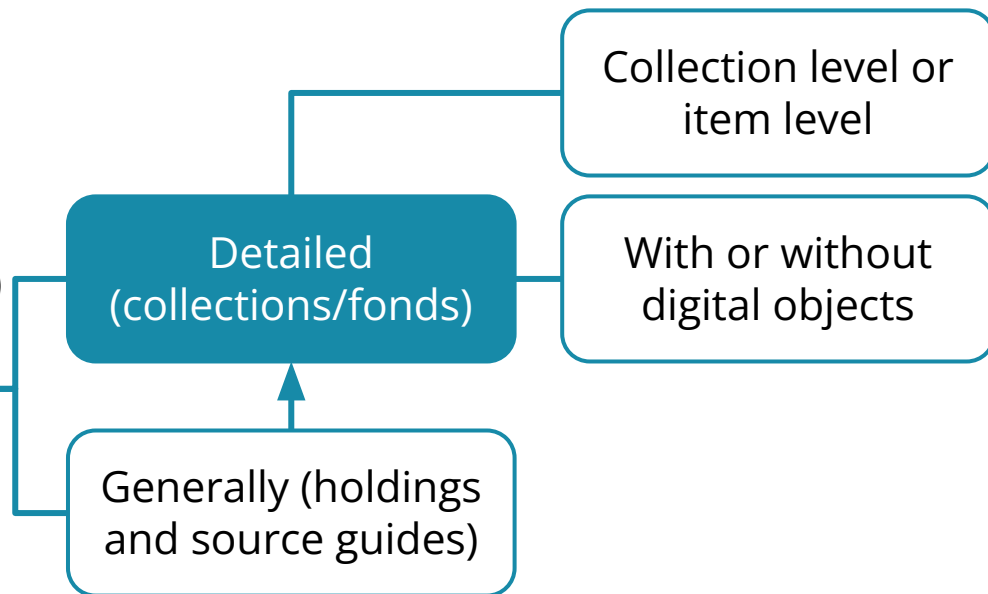
Describing an institution

Second step (recommended, but variable)

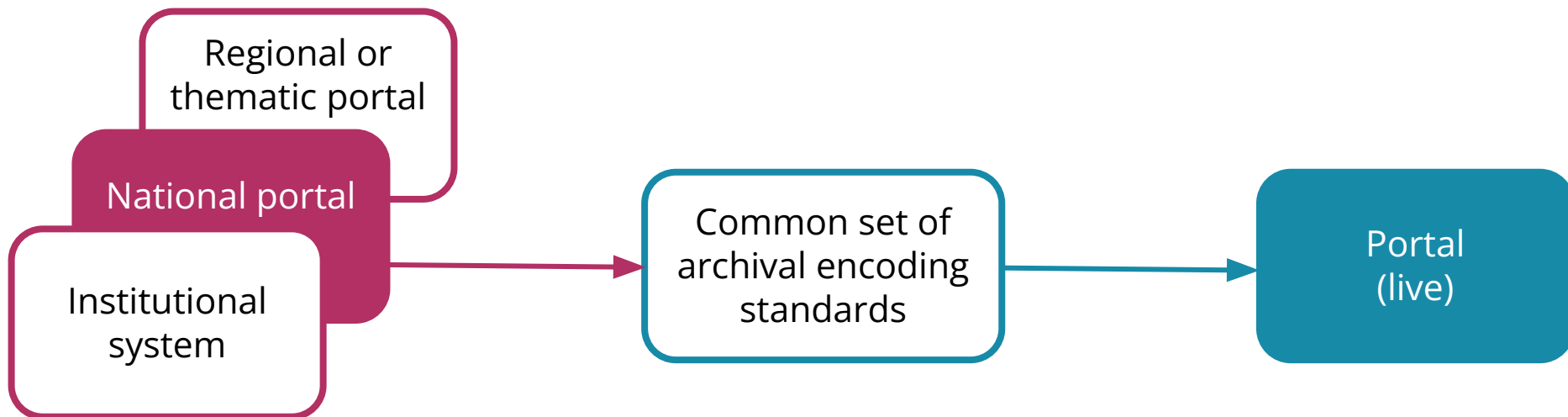
Describing one's holdings

Third step (optional)

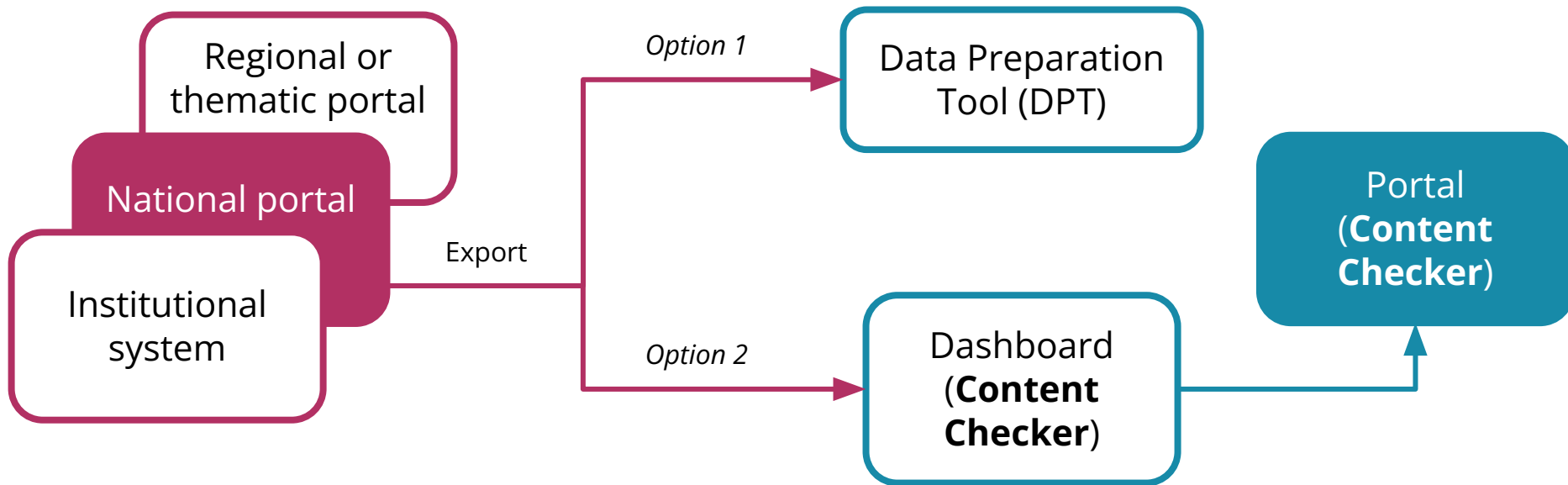
Describing records creators



Working towards a central system

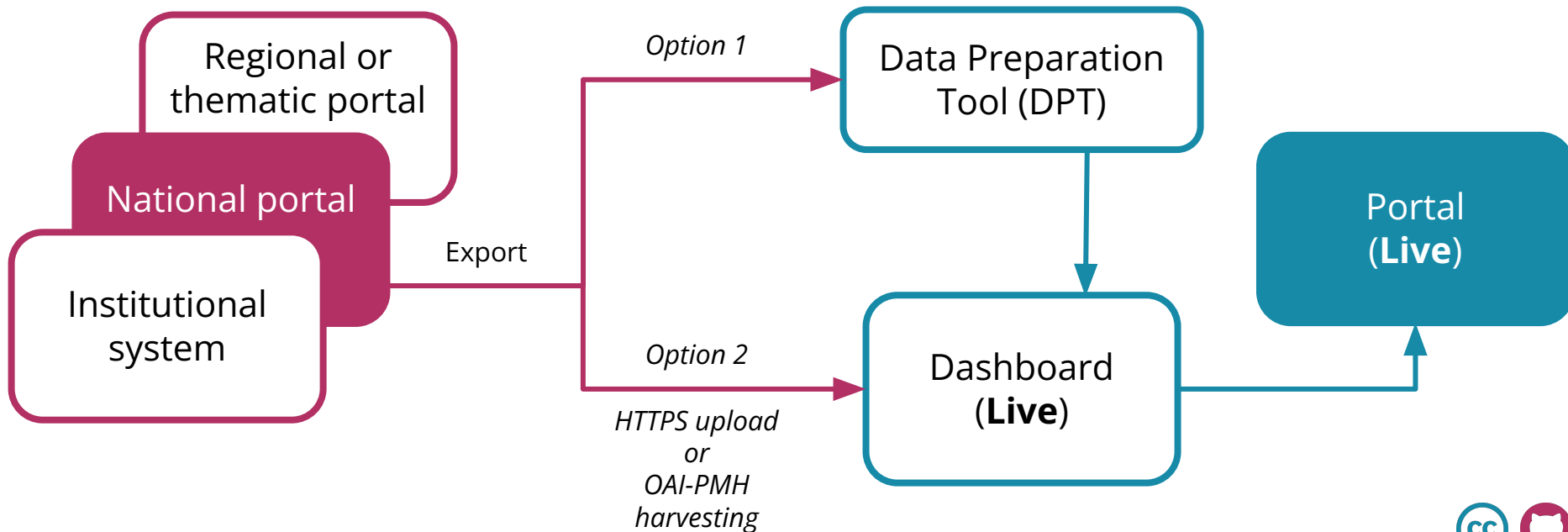


Testing the data workflow



See more at <https://github.com/archivesportaleuropefoundation>

Data processing and publication



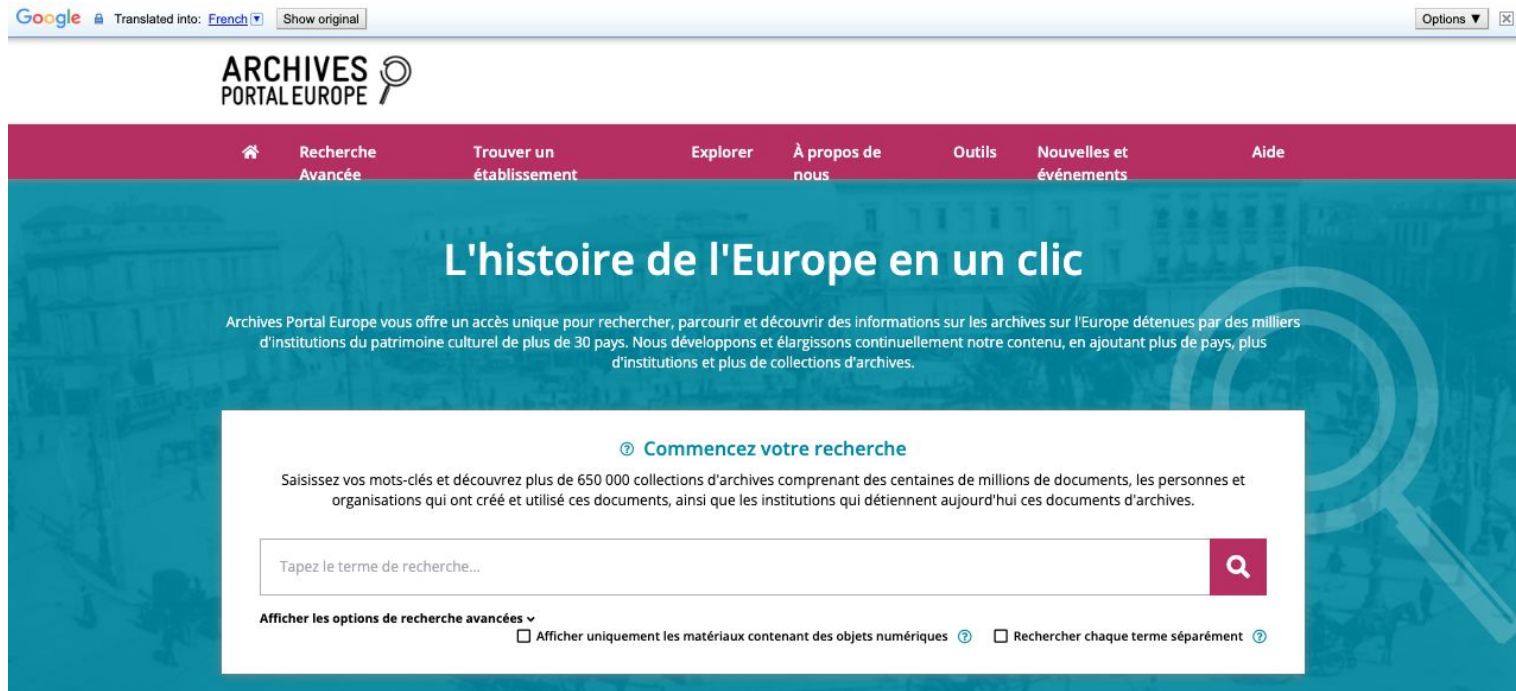
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What the portal offers

Image: "Das Prächtige Rathaus zu Brussel. - Vuë du Maison de la Ville a Bruxelles". - Gezicht op het stadhuis van Brussel, 18th century. - Voorlopige catalogus van de topografisch-historische atlas (nrs. 1-500). - BE-A0510 / I 243, 118. - Archives de l'État en Belgique / Rijksarchief in België. - In Copyright

Multilingual display



The screenshot shows the Archives Portal Europe website. At the top, there is a Google Translate notification indicating the page is translated into French. The main navigation menu includes: Recherche Avancée, Trouver un établissement, Explorer, À propos de nous, Outils, Nouvelles et événements, and Aide. The main heading is "L'histoire de l'Europe en un clic". Below this, a text block states: "Archives Portal Europe vous offre un accès unique pour rechercher, parcourir et découvrir des informations sur les archives sur l'Europe détenues par des milliers d'institutions du patrimoine culturel de plus de 30 pays. Nous développons et élargissons continuellement notre contenu, en ajoutant plus de pays, plus d'institutions et plus de collections d'archives." A search box is present with the placeholder text "Tapez le terme de recherche...". Below the search box, there is a link to "Commencez votre recherche" and a search button. At the bottom of the search box, there are options to "Afficher les options de recherche avancées" and checkboxes for "Afficher uniquement les matériaux contenant des objets numériques" and "Rechercher chaque terme séparément".

Automated translation with Google Translate

Multilingual search



Home > Search in archives

Advanced search

Search in archives



When looking for archival material such as manuscripts, administrative records, maps etc.



A screenshot of a search interface. At the top, there are three buttons: 'Search in archives (90,687)' (teal), 'Search in names (67)' (dark red), and 'Search in institutions (7)' (dark red). Below these is a search bar with a dropdown menu set to 'Search in all countries'. The search input field contains the query 'br?ssel* bruxelles Βρυξελλών Brukseli Bruselas Brüssel Βρυξελ Βριουελισ Βρέισελ'. A red box highlights this query. To the right of the search bar is a magnifying glass icon. Below the search bar, there are two options: 'Show advanced search options' (with a dropdown arrow) and 'Show only materials with digital objects' (with an unchecked checkbox and a help icon). A red box highlights the 'Search each term separately' option, which has a checked checkbox and a help icon.



Combining search terms and using Boolean operators



Re-usable data and content



1 results



 Edit search  Help



 Countries 


 Archival institution 

 Document Type 


 Levels 


 Contains digital objects 


 Digital object types 


A sketch of a Hawk glider, perhaps his 'reconstructed' version dating to around 1898.  About 1898

Reference: GB/398/pil/1/10

English 1 drawing Drawing Pilcher Percy Sinclair 1866-1899 Aeronautical pioneer Gliders (Aeronautics) Pilcher Percy Sinclair 1866-1899 Aeronautical pioneer...  View

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 Digital object

Context 

Title: Aeronautical Papers Of Percy S. Pilcher

Identifier: gb398-pil

Institution / Country: National Aerospace Library / United Kingdom

Re-usable data and content

The screenshot shows the top navigation bar with links: Home, Advanced search, Find an institution, Explore, About us, Tools, News & Events, and Help. Below the navigation bar, there are links for 'Return to search', 'Make a suggestion', and 'Contact institution'. The left sidebar contains filters for 'England, United Kingdom', 'National Aerospace Library', and 'Finding aid sub-groups'. The main content area is titled 'Scope and content' and contains three paragraphs of text. A blue-bordered box highlights the 'Conditions governing reproduction' section, which includes 'Rights to access and re-use digital objects' and 'Rights to access and re-use archival descriptive information', both with a Creative Commons CC0 Public Domain Dedication license.

Home Advanced search Find an institution Explore About us Tools News & Events Help

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England, United Kingdom
 National Aerospace Library
 Finding aid sub-groups

▼ Aeronautical papers of Percy S. Pilcher

- ▶ Drawings
Notebooks and cuttings books
- ▶ Letters, papers presented to learned societies and a patent specification

Scope and content

In 1896 Pilcher's "Gull" and "Hawk" gliders were produced, and Pilcher learnt the art of controlling his machine in the air based on a series of long glides made in the "Hawk".

In 1899 Pilcher began the building of a tri-plane incorporating Hargrave's ideas on soaring kites and was moving towards developing a powered heavier-than-air aircraft, but died as a result of injuries received while gliding in the "Hawk" before he could further test his theories.

Held in the archives of the National Aerospace Library at Farnborough is a collection of 13 original manuscript engineering drawings by Pilcher including those for the starboard sail for the 'Gull' glider, for the 'Cyclone sail' or 'Umbrella sail', his multiplane design and other mechanical devices.

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Topic-based access

- Democracy**
Activism and struggles for democracy
- Early Modern Period**
Documents on the 1400-1800 period. This article is a currently a stub.
- Economics**
Properties, commerce, fiscalty, accounting, etc.
- Education**
Schools, universities, education systems
- European Union**
Documents related to the European Union
- French Revolution**
Documents on the French Revolution. This topic is currently a stub
- Religion**
Documents on religious topics.
- Poverty**
Documents on poverty.
- Universities**
Documents on universities.

15,919 results [Edit search](#) [Help](#)

Search filters: European Union X

- Countries
- Archival institution
- Document Type
- Levels
- Contains digital objects
- Digital object types
- Date type
- Topics

- European Union (15,919)**
- Religion (13,256)
- Poverty (13,087)
- Universities (11,814)
- Women (8,506)

[Load more](#) [Show less](#)

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Reference: 20010493/1-20010493/18 - 20010493/1

départ du 19 avril 1984 au 11 mai 19842. Minutier chronologique départ du 06 juin 1984 au 26 décembre 19843. Minutier chronologique départ du 02 janvier...

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: rapport sur la bureautisation du CESTA par Eric BARCHECHAT et Benjamin LENEMAN, 1984, CR des activités de la didacthè 1983-1987

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Automated topic detection

Beta

Cross-lingual Search on Archives Portal Europe



Welcome! This is the beta version of a cross-lingual search tool for concepts and entities across the entire APE collection.

To know more about the project, visit [our GitHub](#)

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Broad Entity Mention Search

Boolean Search

Automated topic detection

Beta

<p>Minutes et répertoires du notaire Pierre Marie DELAPALME, 16 janvier 1892 - 2 janvier 1929 (étude CXVII)</p>	<p>Transport</p>	<p>Dépôt des statuts de la Société anonyme Compagnie transafricaine Citroën "CITRACIT"et déclaration de souscription et de versement. Cette société a pour objet la création et l'exploitation de services de transports automobiles ou autres, pour voyageurs et marchandises dans les régions africaines, l'organisation d'expéditions, de raids d'explorations, de chasses, de randonnées touristiques, la prospection, la documentation, etc. Minutes et répertoires du notaire Pierre Marie DELAPALME, 16 janvier 1892 - 2 janvier 1929 (étude CXVII):F982181 Origine de l'information : Acte signalé par le personnel du Minutier central des notaires de Paris . Date de création de la notice : 2015 (W. Gourdon).touristiques régions autres dans pour</p>	<p>France</p>	<p>1924-1924</p>	<p>0.733061</p>
<p>Kreisdienststelle Staßfurt, MfS-Bezirksverwaltung Magdeburg [= KD SFT]</p>	<p>Germandemocraticrepublic</p>	<p>Städtepartnerschaft Staßfurt - Lehrte Kreisdienststelle Staßfurt, MfS-Bezirksverwaltung Magdeburg [= KD SFT]:F462530 Enthält u. a.: Briefe der Stadt Lehrte an den Staßfurter Bürgermeister. - Vereinbarung über die Städtepartnerschaft. - Besuche von Delegationen, Liste der Delegationsteilnehmer (in 15367). - Operativinformationen zur Städtepartnerschaft. - Verbandszeitung "Mitteldeutscher Kurier". - Recherchen zu Personen aus Lehrte mit operativ bedeutsamen Merkmalen (in 15368).stadt städtepartnerschaft delegationen bürgermeister besuche</p>	<p>Germany</p>	<p>1989-1989</p>	<p>0.730209</p>

Resources and capacity building

Testing

Search courses



Course categories

[Expand all](#)

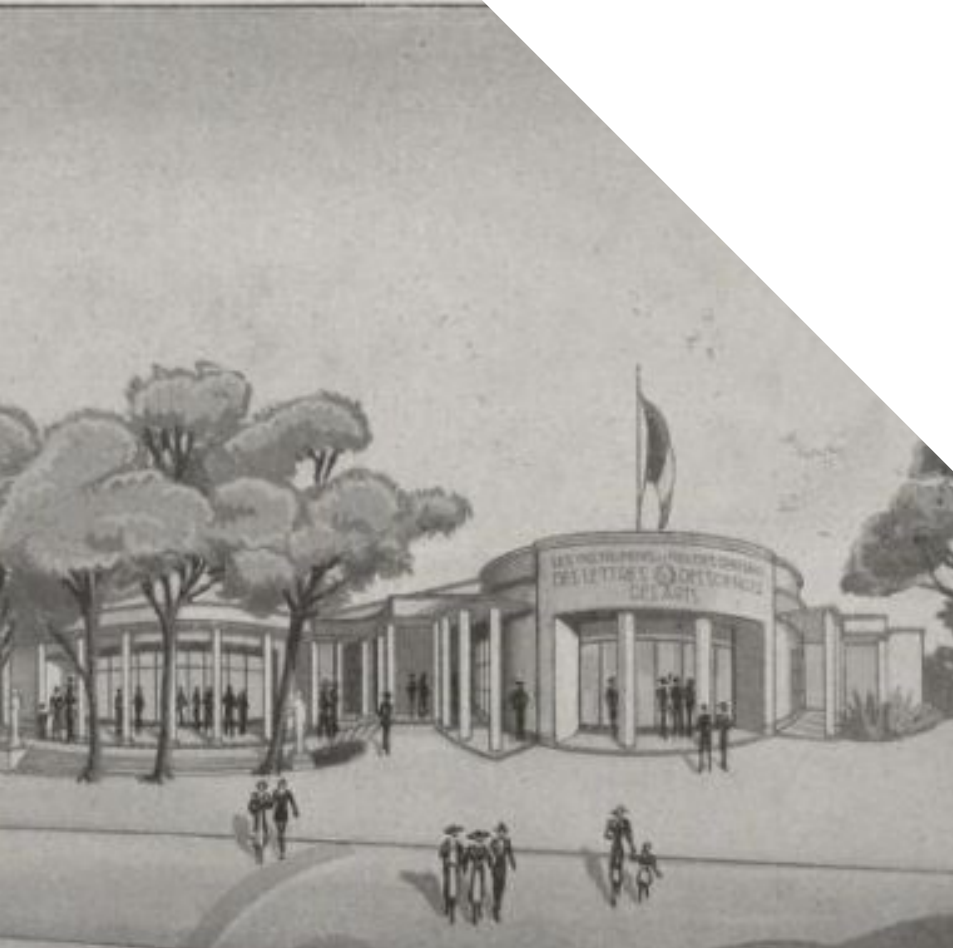
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Available courses

Archival Literacy Online Course (ENG)



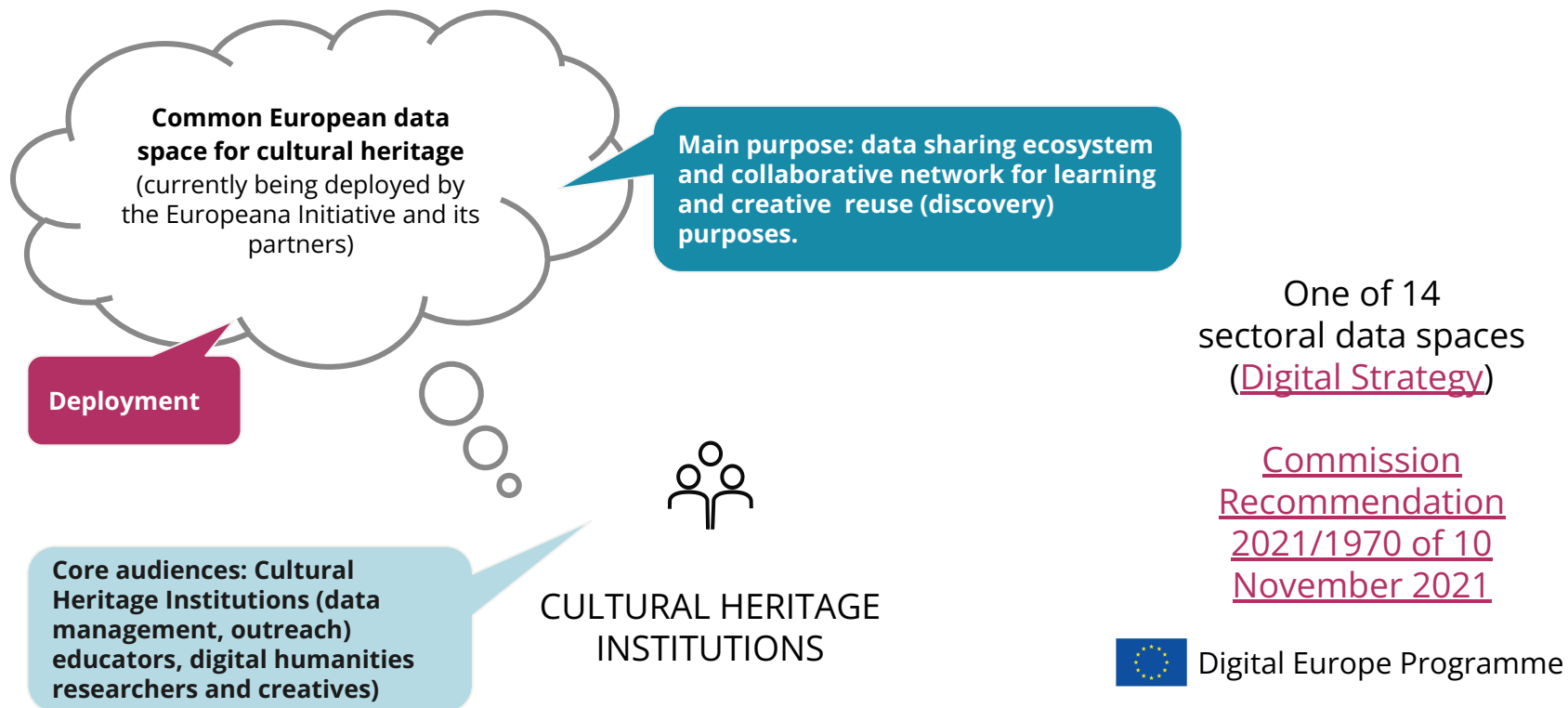
This course offers a sustainable and attractive tool linked to young user education on how to use archives, teaching them how to conduct research within the archival holdings, through traditional lectures and presentations in high schools and integrate the possibilities offered by archives, mostly in Humanities, specifically in areas like history, arts and geography.



What might come next

Image: Brochures et plans: Bruxelles 1935. Exposition universelle et internationale, Bruxelles, 1935, 32 p. - Inventaire des archives de l'Exposition Universelle de Bruxelles 1935. Fonds provenant du Parc des Expositions du Heizel. - BE-A0510 / T 183, 183 / 1. - Archives de l'État en Belgique / Rijksarchief in België. - In Copyright

The common European data space for cultural heritage



The European Collaborative Cloud for Cultural Heritage

Main purpose: working space to access collaborative tools to support conservation and restoration purposes.

European Collaborative Cloud for Cultural Heritage
(Start: 1 June 2024;
consortium led by CNRS)

Research & Innovation

Ex-ante impact
assessment

[Report on a European collaborative cloud for cultural heritage](#)



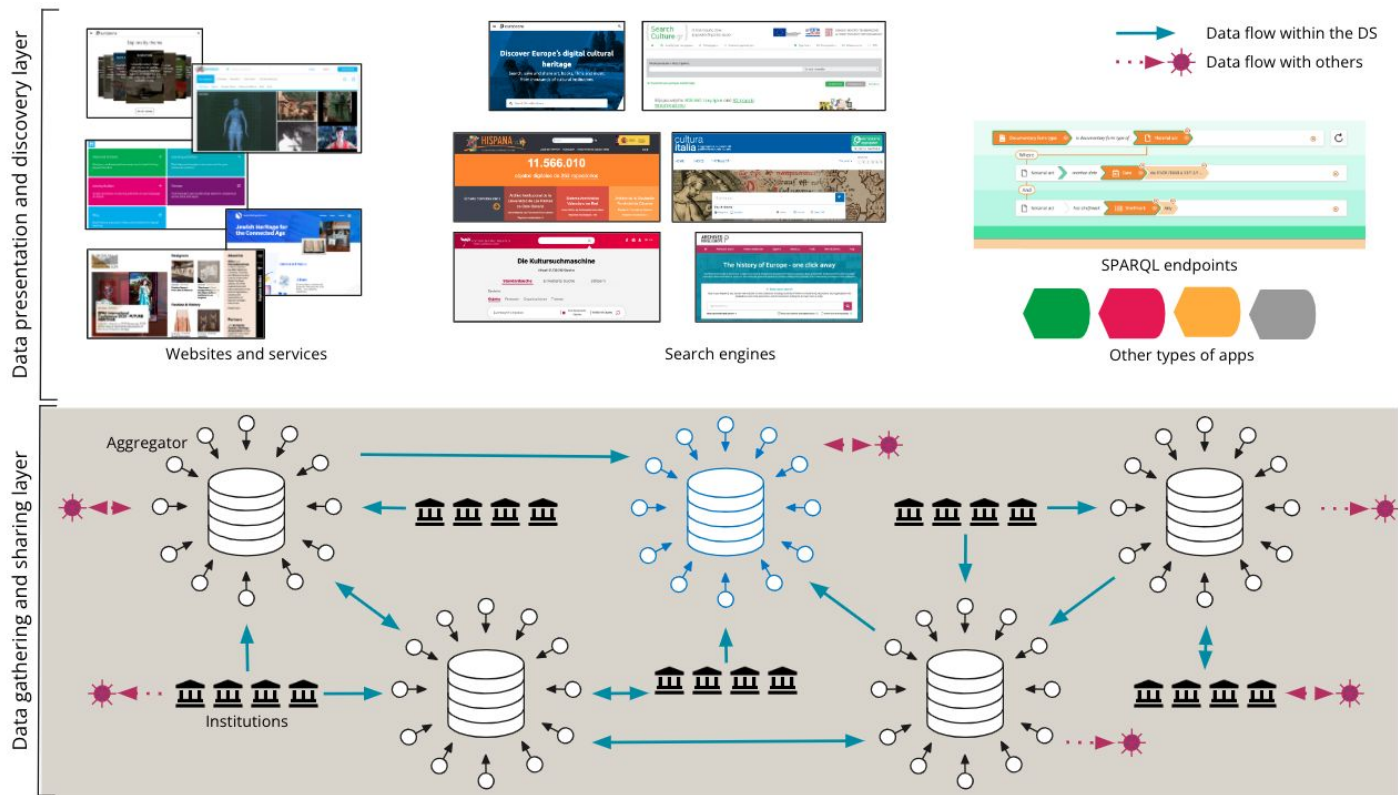
**CULTURAL HERITAGE
INSTITUTIONS**

Core audiences: Heritage professionals, researchers, restoration specialists, heritage scientists



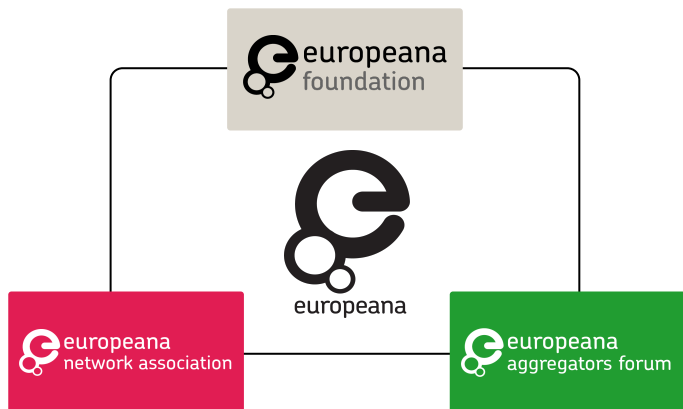
Horizon Europe Programme

Hot topics: Decentralisation



Hot topics: Governance

Data space for cultural heritage



Networked organisation(s)
Infrastructure of 15 years

*A possibility:
European Digital
Infrastructure
Consortium
(EDIC)*

Collaborative Cloud for
cultural heritage



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Community of communities
Infrastructure to be established

Hot topics: What about digital preservation?



Common European data
space for cultural heritage

Presentation data

*Need for digital
preservation
acknowledged,
but not taken up
currently by
either initiative*



European Collaborative
Cloud for Cultural Heritage

Tools to prepare and enrich
data for publication



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Questions? Comments?

Thank you for your
attention!

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