

PPT Outline: eScriptorium for OCR & Digitalization Workflow

Slide 1: Title Slide

- *Title: Enhancing Our OCR Workflow with eScriptorium*
- *Subtitle: How eScriptorium Can Improve Our Digitalization Process*

1. Understanding eScriptorium

Slide 2: What is eScriptorium?

- **Open-source & fully offline** tool for **transcribing & annotating historical texts**
- Supports **OCR (printed text) & HTR (handwritten text)**
- Developed for **challenging, old documents**
- Can be **hosted locally**—no reliance on cloud services

Slide 3: Key Features

- ✓ **AI-Powered OCR & HTR:** Works with printed & handwritten texts
- ✓ **Automated & Manual Annotation:** Train custom models
- ✓ **Supports Complex Layouts:** Multi-column, marginalia, mixed printed & handwritten
- ✓ **Offline & Self-Hosted:** No cloud dependency; full control over data

2. Why Should We Use eScriptorium?

Slide 4: Problems in Our Current Workflow

- LabelMe segmentation is slow & manual
- Standard OCR tools fail on historical texts
- No handwriting recognition (HTR) in our current workflow
- MSSQL stores data, but no built-in transcription & model training
- Dependence on cloud-based OCR tools for difficult texts

Slide 5: How eScriptorium Solves These Problems

- ✓ **Offline & Secure:** No internet needed, full data control
- ✓ **Train Custom OCR & HTR Models:** Improves accuracy over time
- ✓ **Combines Segmentation + OCR in One Tool:** Faster workflow
- ✓ **Works with MSSQL:** Export recognized text easily

3. Integration into Our Workflow

Slide 6: Current vs. New Workflow

● Current Process:

- 1 **LabelMe** (Manual segmentation)
- 2 **OCR tool** (Standard recognition, struggles with old texts)
- 3 **Manual corrections** (Slow & inefficient)
- 4 **Store in MSSQL**

● New Process with eScriptorium:

- 1 **eScriptorium** (Segmentation + OCR/HTR + Model Training)
- 2 **Export structured text** (ALTO, XML, CSV)
- 3 **Store in MSSQL**

Slide 7: How We Can Use It

Train & improve our own OCR & HTR models locally

4. Next Steps & Implementation

Slide 8: Plan for Adoption

- 📌 **Step 1:** Install & test eScriptorium locally
- 📌 **Step 2:** Train custom models on our historical documents
- 📌 **Step 3:** Compare accuracy vs. existing OCR tools
- 📌 **Step 4:** Integrate with MSSQL for storage & retrieval
- 📌 **Step 5:** Transition from LabelMe segmentation to eScriptorium

Slide 9: Conclusion

💡 eScriptorium improves OCR accuracy, speeds up workflow, and gives us full offline control

🚀 Next step: Start testing it with our historical documents!