DARIAH-EU

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Welcome to the 6th edition of the DARIAH *Transition Bulletin*. This regular bulletin is designed to keep our partners informed about the latest developments during the transition phase of DARIAH.

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Important dates

Second General VCC meeting

 After the great success of the 1st General VCC meeting in Utrecht, The Netherlands, we are very happy to announce the second General VCC meeting which will take place on 28 - 30 November 2012 in Vienna, Austria. We will send the final agenda to you as soon as possible. Please note, that we will start at 10.00 am CET on 28 November 2012.

VCC e-Infrastructure	**VCC Research and Education Liaison**
VCC Scholarly Content Management	**VCC Advocacy, Impact and Outreach**

Further information and a registration tool will be available on the meeting webpage http://tinyurl.com/8vwp6e5
We are looking forward to meeting you in Vienna!

Virtual Competency Centres (VCCs) update

The VCC Heads are working on the Detailed Operational Plan (DOP) which integrates the individual VCC activity plans. It is planned to circulate a first version before the General VCC meeting in Vienna.

We would like to introduce the new CIO team; Lisa de Leeuw and Gaithrie Ganesh who will work with Henk on VCC coordination activities.

VCC1: A technical collaboration meeting of representatives from DARIAH, EHRI and CENDARI took place on 9/10 July 2012 in Berlin, where it was decided to jointly develop Collection Registry Software via the DARIAH Developers Portal.
A meeting about the DARIAH AAI (Authentication and Authorisation Infrastructure) was held between representatives of DARIAH-EU, DARIAH-DE and the DCO. Some organisational requirements were agreed. DARIAH-DE is working on a draft paper about the AAI.

VCC2: A two-day task leader meeting took place on 23/24 May 2012. It is planned to create a list of collaborative funding opportunities to gather interest in participating amongst DARIAH colleagues.

VCC3: A F2F-meeting of task leaders took place on 27/28 August 2012 in Dublin, Ireland. The aim was to define the task and clarify the organization of the tasks.

VCC4: VCC4 in collaboration with the DCO wrote an article about DARIAH for the ESFRI brochure.

DARIAH-EU Coordination Office (DCO) update

Communication:

In July, the DCO technical support officer, Kristine Voigt started her work. She will mainly be engaged in setting up the new DARIAH website. During the data migration the website could temporarily not be available.

DARIAH is on Twitter now; you can visit or follow us on @DARIAHeu

DARIAH partner news

DARIAH-AT is kindly hosting the next DARIAH-EU General VCC meeting. Charly Moerth and his organisation team will welcome us in Vienna.

DARIAH-DE together with the Leibniz Institute of European History Mainz (IEG) organised a metadata workshop for historians. The meeting took place on 24/25 September 2012 at the IEG in Mainz, Germany.

A first version of the DARIAH Geobrowser prototype has been launched by DARIAH-DE. It is accessible under http://dev2.dariah.eu/e4d. The DARIAH Geobrowser builds on the Europeana Geobrowser and has been further developed. An interesting feature is the DARIAH datasheet editor, where users can upload their own CSV data. Geo coordinates can automatically be created. The final version of the DARIAH Geobrowser will be delivered by the end of February 2014.

DARIAH-DE together with CLARIN-D organised a workshop on Service-oriented architectures (SOAs) for the Humanities during the DH 2012 conference. The Digital Humanities 2012 (DH2012) conference was hosted by the University of Hamburg from 16 to 20 July 2012.

On 14 September 2012, the first meeting of the Scientific Board of DARIAH-DE took place in Göttingen. Some DARIAH demonstrators were presented and the further development of DARIAH-DE was discussed. DARIAH-EU Director, Tobias Blanke, presented his vision for DARIAH.

DARIAH-DK: The Danish Digital Humanities Lab (DIGHUMLAB) launched on 10 September 2012. Congratulations to Erik Champion (photographed) DIGHUMLAB project leader and the whole DARIAH-DK community. DARIAH-EU was represented by Sally Chambers who gave a presentation. DIGHUMLAB.dk is an ambitious undertaking for literature scholars, librarians, cartographers, game designers, linguists, journalists and archaeologists. These are just some of the many disciplines affected by work in the digital humanities and the tools, methods and audiences are growing exponentially in both Denmark and abroad.

A PhD seminar "Digital Humanities and the Study of the Web and Web Archives", which is jointly organised by DIGHUMLAB and NetLab Denmark will take place on 3 – 5 December 2012 in Denmark.

DARIAH-FR: The 2nd ThatCamp Paris took place on 25/26 September 2012. This meeting is organised by Cléo and financed by TGE Adonis among others.

DARIAH-IE: A workshop jointly organised by [Digital Repository of Ireland (DRI)](), [Digital Enterprise Research Institute (DERI)](), [Digital Humanities Observatory (DHO)](), and [Digital Research Infrastructure for the Arts and Humanities (DARIAH-EU)]() will take place on 23 – 25 October 2012 in Ireland.

The focus of this event is to engage academia, industry, cultural institutions and public bodies to identify the key research challenges in digital humanities and to further build the academic-industry partnerships that will enable adoption of digital humanities skills, technologies and tools.

DARIAH-SI: On 14 June 2012 the Slovenian Institute of Contemporary History launched the [SI-DIH portal](). The ambition of the SI-DIH portal which was built in partnership with ICH and SRC SASA (Scientific research centre of Slovenian academy of science and arts)/ZRC SAZU is to become the hub of Slovenian digital humanities and to encourage researchers to use new technologies and harness the opportunities they offer.

DARIAH Affiliated Projects

[EHRI fellowships in Holocaust Studies 2013]()

The EHRI fellowships are intended to support and stimulate Holocaust research by facilitating international access to key archives and collections related to the Holocaust. The fellowships intend to support researchers and younger scholars, especially PhD candidates with limited resources. Candidates from Central and Eastern Europe are especially encouraged to apply. Submissions must reach EHRI by 30 September 2012.

[CESSDA Expert Seminar]()

The CESSDA Expert Seminar 2012 will be hosted by the Finnish Social Science Data Archive in Tampere, Finland, from Thursday to Friday 4 - 5 October, 2012. The idea is to share and learn from difficult as well as successful experiences that we all have in data acquisition and how the wording and conditions in the licences affect the process.
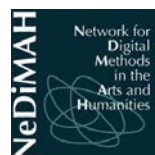
[DASISH]() started a survey on training and education. The survey aims to assess the demand for, and interest in, training activities, as well as determining available training material (such as tutorials, exercises, workshop presentations etc.) from the 5 ESFRI research infrastructures [CESSDA](), [CLARIN](), [DARIAH](), [ESS]() and [SHARE](). Results of the survey will be available soon.

The new CENDARI website was launched in August. Please visit [http://www.cendari.eu]() to have a look.

The working group on Digital Scholarly Editions of the European Research Network [NeDiMAH]() is organising an [Experts' Seminar on Digital Scholarly Editions]() on 21 November 2012 at the Huygens Institute for the History of the Netherlands in The Hague.

Feedback?

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