

# DATA SHARING, HOLOCAUST DOCUMENTATION, DIGITAL HUMANITIES BEST PRACTICES, CASE STUDIES, BENEFITS

## **International Workshop**

within the framework of the European Holocaust Research Infrastructure (EHRI), supported by the European Commission

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"Sala Grande", Dipartimento di Studi Umanistici, Dorsoduro 3484/d Venice, 29-30 June 2017

#### DESCRIPTION

Launched in November 2010, the main goal of EHRI is the implementation of a research infrastructure that enables collaborative work in Holocaust research and documentation. As part of its infrastructure work, EHRI integrates archival metadata across institutional, national and language boundaries, making it searchable and helping researchers to find relationships between archival collections and between the entities that they describe (documents, people, events, places, subjects, etc). This context makes the deployment of efficient data collection, sharing, processing and integration technologies and approaches (including semantic technologies) crucial to achieve success in the implementation of the infrastructure.

The EHRI workshops are organized for the purpose of generating a creative exchange of knowledge and views between professionals in various subfields of Holocaust research and documentation, along with experts outside the field of Holocaust studies who can share their experience and methodologies.

Together with the development of data sharing utilities for collection holding institutions, EHRI develops controlled vocabularies such as authority lists of people, corporate bodies, Holocaust related entities like ghettos, camps or administrative districts of occupied

territories as well as a hierarchy of concepts for the indexing and retrieval of Holocaust related archival material.

We aim to share all this knowledge with other research communities.

The aims of the workshop are:

- Presenting the state of the art of data sharing practices and technologies starting from the experiences and results obtained in the EHRI project
- Discussing the usability and potential of data sharing in the Humanities
- Investigating the possible connections between the EHRI Project and other Research Infrastructures and Digital Humanities Projects

#### **PROGRAM**

## Thursday, 29th June 2017

9.00 Registration

9.30 Greetings Simon Levis Sullam (Università Cà Foscari)

## Introduction

9.45 Raffaele Santoro - Andrea Pelizza (State Archive of Venice)

The archival series of 556Venetian Prefettura and Questura – Archivio di Stato di Venezia

10.15 Veerle Vanden Daelen (Kazerne Dossin Memorial)

Data Sharing, Holocaust Documentation and the Digital Humanities: Introducing the

European Holocaust Research Infrastructure (EHRI)

## 11.15 Coffee break

#### Session I

11.30 Michael Levy (United States Holocaust Memorial Museum - USHMM) Sharing Collections Data: One Perspective on the Practice at USHMM

12.00 Megan Lewis (United States Holocaust Memorial Museum - USHMM) Using Names Lists for Social Network Analysis

12.30 Olga Tolokonsky (Yad Vashem)
Integration of Heterogeneous Shared Data: Yad Vashem's Perspective as a Data
Aggregator

## 13.00 Light Lunch

## Session II

14.00 Stephen Noar, Fortunoff Video Archive for Holocaust Testimonies, Yale University Library, New Haven

Fortunoff Video Archive on Holocaust Survivors Testimonies

14.30 Cord Pagenstecher (Center for Digital Systems, Freie Universität Berlin) Audiovisual Testimony Collections. Digital Archiving and Retrieval

15.00 Martha Stroud (USC Shoah Foundation Center for Advanced Genocide Research)

Digital Testimonies and Research Access: USC Shoah Foundation Visual History Archive

15.30 Coffee break

Discussion: Semantic Archive, Data and Media Integration.

16.45 Conclusions

## Friday, 30th June 2017

## LOD TUTORIAL

9.00 Alessio Melandri (Synapta) (*Title to be announced*)

10.00 Simon Cobb (Leeds University Library)

An Introduction to Wikidata for Sharing and Visualising Cultural Heritage Resources.

11.00 Coffee break

## Session III

11.15 Paris Papamichos Chronakis (University of Illinois at Chicago) - Giorgos Antoniou, (Aristotle University of Thessaloniki)

From Individual Survival to Social Networks of Survivors: Rethinking the Digital Archive of the Greek Shoah

11.45 Lidia Santarelli (Princeton University)

Life and Death of the Archive. The "Nuremberg Trials Project": A Case Study in Digital Document Migration

Discussion: Holocaust Research Questions and Use Cases Enabled by Data Sharing.

12.45 Light Lunch

# Session IV

14.00 Vladimir Alexiev - Ivelina Nikolova (Ontotext)
Semantic Archive Integration for Holocaust Research: the EHRI Research Infrastructure

14.30 Charles Riondet (INRIA Research Center of Paris) Towards Multiscale Archival Digital Data

15.00 Coffee break

15.15 Kai Eckert - Maral Dadvar (Stuttgart Media University)

Judaica Link. A Knowledge Base for Jewish Culture and History

15.45 Annelies Van Nispen - Lizzy Jongma (Institute for War, Holocaust and Genocide Studies - NIOD)

Holocaust and WW2 LOD Developments in the Netherlands

16.15 Rachele Sprugnoli - Giovanni Moretti - Sara Tonelli (Bruno Kessler Foundation) LOD Navigator: Tracing Movements of Italian Shoah Victims

Discussion: Global Archive and Data Integration, Enlarging EHRI Data Connections to other Datasets and Projects

16.45 Conclusions of the Workshop

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