




Recommendations from the ENUMERATE Specialist Meetings



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	<p>ENUMERATE Specialist Meeting 1</p> <p>Size and Growth of Digital Collections</p>
<p>Place and Date 27 January 2012, The Hague</p> <p>Venue Digitaal Erfgoed Nederland (DEN)</p>	

Participants:

Name	Organisation
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Background to the meeting

The first Specialist Meeting of ENUMERATE was held at 27 January 2012 in The Hague. The topic was *“Improving the methodology for measuring digital heritage collections.”*. The primary objective of the meeting was to find the methodology to measure the size and growth of digital heritage collections.

During the meeting four main issues were discussed:

- Usefulness of measuring size and growth of digital heritage collections,
- Options to create a generic typology of heritage collections,
- How to deal with heritage collections that cannot be counted easily. (e.g. newspapers, monuments)
- Recommendations for the ENUMERATE Thematic Survey.

Recommendations:

During this meeting the importance of promoting a common understanding of what cultural heritage is, was emphasized. Clear criteria describing what information objects can be considered as digital heritage should be defined. Moreover, it was concluded that the methodology for measuring digital heritage collections should be based on the digital realm instead of the physical one. Measuring digital collections requires a better determination of digital units. Finally, measuring the actual status of digitisation should be related to understanding the total cost of ownership.

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ENUMERATE Specialist Meeting 2

Measuring of the cost of digital cultural heritage

Place and Date

30 March 2012, London

Venue

CILIP offices (Charter East room)

Participants:

Name	Organisation
Hans Petschar	CENL/ The European Library
Adolf Knoll	Czech National Library
Alison Macdonald	ICA
Richard Ferguson	National Maritime Museum
Natasha Stroecker	Panteia
René Vogels	Panteia
Richard Wright	PrestoCentre
Max Hammond	MH-Strategy
Trilce Navarrete	University of Amsterdam
Gordon McKenna	Collection Trust
Nick Poole	Collection Trust
Katie Smith	Collection Trust
Gerhard Jan Nauta	DEN
Marco de Niet	DEN
Jesús Domínguez	Digibis
Maribel Campillejo	Digibis
Monika Hagedorn-Saupe	Stiftung Preußischer Kulturbesitz

Background to the meeting:

The second meeting was on 30 March 2012 in London. The reason of the meeting was to discuss the *measuring of the cost of digital cultural heritage*. . The goal was to discuss the need for research, the usefulness of common methodology and the difficulties encountered so far in ENUMERATE and the previous NUMERIC project.

The discussed issues were the following:

- Usefulness of measuring cost of digitisation of cultural heritage,
- Feasibility of a common methodology to calculate costs,
- Evaluation of Cost models to predict future costs,
- Recommendations for the ENUMERATE Thematic Survey.

Recommendations:

The discussion during this session showed that comparing the total process of digitisation is less useful than comparing the individual steps. It was recommended to review the international terminology and definitions on costs and to make a distinction between the levels for the collecting of qualitative information (Collection level, Institution level and National level). The object-centric approach was thought to provide more specific information about costs than an organisation-centric approach. Of various models available, the analysis of the workflow around the objects (including born digital) seemed to be the most useful to the participants. In addition, it was stressed that a good balance between large and small institutions needed to be found.

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ENUMERATE Specialist Meeting 3

Measuring the Use and Impact of Digital Cultural Heritage

Place and Date

6 June 2012, Madrid

Venue

Historic Library of the Complutense University
Biblioteca Histórica Marqués de Valdecilla

Participants:

Name	Organisation (Country)
Almudena Caballos Villar	Historic Library Marqués de Valdecilla of the Complutense University of Madrid
Jane Finnis	Culture24
Alastair Dunning	TEL (The European Library)
Rand Eppich	ICOMOS
Rafael Roset	Institut Cartogràfic de Catalunya
Julio Cordal	Ministry of Culture of Spain
Alejandro Nuevo	Ministry of Culture of Spain
Rui Guerra	Museum Analytics
Paquita Navarro	National Library of Catalunya
Elena Sanchez Nogales	National Library of Spain
Elisa Giaccardi	Universidad Carlos III de Madrid
Frank Huysmans	University of Amsterdam
Marta Torres (Host)	Central Services of the Complutense University of Madrid Library. Digital Edition and Web Service.
Marco de Niet	DEN (Netherlands)
Gerhard Jan Nauta	DEN (Netherlands)
Jesús Dominguez	DIGIBIS (Spain)
Maribel Campillejo	DIGIBIS (Spain)
Katie Smith	CT (United Kingdom)
Inés Matres	SPK (Germany)
Natasha Stroeker	Panteia (Netherlands)

Background to the meeting:

The third ENUMERATE meeting was in Madrid on 6 June 2012. The focus was on *measuring the use and impact of digital culture heritage*.

The main issues were the following:

- Usefulness of measuring use and impact of digital cultural heritage,
- Feasibility of a common methodology to monitor access and use of digital heritage resources,
- Methods and tools to monitor the actual use of digital heritage collections,
- Recommendations for the ENUMERATE Thematic Survey.


Recommendations:

The third meeting provided a number of useful insights. First of all, it is important to have information at various levels of detail, as the need for or use of information varies per person and institution. It is in that respect important to bring together both quantitative and qualitative research. Secondly, it is about understanding how people interact with the digital content, hence, simple web statistics are of little use. Consequently, reports should be tailor made for individual staff members and relate to their roles in the digital services.

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	<p>ENUMERATE Specialist Meeting 4</p> <p>Monitoring and Measuring Digital Preservation Practises</p>
<p>Place and Date 5 October 2012, The Hague</p> <p>Venue Digitaal Erfgoed Nederland (DEN)</p>	

Participants:

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Natasha Stroeker	Panteia
Bert Lemmens	PACKED, Flanders
Alenka Kavčič-Čolić	National & University Library
Marcel Ras	KB
Jeffrey van der Hoeven	KB
Marco de Niet	DEN
Jeanine Tieleman	DEN
Gerhard Jan Nauta	DEN

Background to the meeting:

The fourth specialist meeting's topic was *"Improving the methodology for measuring digital preservation practises"*.

Main questions discussed were:

- What are the main motivations for memory institutions to monitor the status of digital preservation?
- How useful is it to compare national strategies for digital preservation?
- What tools and methodologies regarding preservation issues can be recommended for inclusion in the ENUMERATE statistical framework?
- Can the implementation of specific standards for digital preservation be measured?(OASIS, PREMIS, DRAMBORA,TRAC...etc) If so, how?
- Recommendations for the ENUMERATE Thematic Survey.

Recommendations:

In the fourth session it was concluded that there are still only a few trusted repositories in Europe. Reliable statistics contribute to the trustworthiness of the organization responsible for the digital preservation, however, truly representative statistics are difficult to come by. Although libraries and archives are further with development of digital archives than the museums, the focus should be on different object types, not on the domains. Another important finding was that regarding digital preservation, workflow analysis may not work well for this purpose, as there can be many external parties involved. As there is already quite a lot of surveying on digital preservation in Europe it was recommended to make use of this research instead of designing a new methodology from scratch.

In January 2013 an ENUMERATE Focus Group meeting on Digital Preservation took place, as part of the Thematic Survey itself, to take this discussion forward. Several representatives from European digital preservation projects were attending this meeting, to lay the foundation for a common approach. A report of this January meeting will be presented as part of the Thematic Survey report.

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