



Paper 1B - Public Europeana Foundation Governing Board Meeting

4 March 2019
9h30 – 16h30 CET
[Koninklijke Bibliotheek Prins Willem-Alexanderhof 5, 2595 BE The Hague](#)
Koopman Room I5.200

Précis of public minutes of 20 November 2018 Governing Board meeting

Action proposed: Board to review the minutes

Attendees:

- (EN) Elisabeth Niggemann, National Library of Germany, Germany - Chair
- (MP) Martijn Pronk, Van Gogh Museum, The Netherlands
- (JLR) Joke van der Leeuw-Roord, EUROCLIO, The Netherlands - Treasurer
- (AM) Agnès Magnien, Institut national de l'audiovisuel, France
- (MK) Max Kaiser, Austrian National Library (ONB), Austria
- (JF) Julien Roche, Ligue des Bibliothèques Européennes de Recherche (LIBER), France
- (MS) Merete Sanderhoff, SMK, Denmark
- (SH) Stefan Hahn, Directorate of Arts & Culture of Austrian Federal Chancellery, Austrian Presidency
- (JO) Johan Oomen, Netherlands Institute for Sound and Vision, The Netherlands
- (LH) Lorna Hughes, University of Glasgow, UK - via skype
- (CV) Concha Vilarino, Ministry of Education, Culture and Sport of Spain
- (MD) Monica Dragen, Ministry of Culture of Romania, Romanian Presidency
- (LA) Lora Aroyo, VU University, Bulgaria

Observers:

- (EF) Elisabeth Freyre, Bibliothèque nationale de France

Apologies:

- (MHS) Monika Hagedorn-Saupe, International Council of Museums Europe, Germany - Vice Chair
- (PK) Paul Keller, Kennisland, The Netherlands



(UZ) Uldis Zarins, National Library of Latvia, Latvia

(BD) Brid Dooley, FIAT-IFTA, Ireland

(AB) Axenia Boneva, Ministry of Culture of Bulgaria, Bulgarian Presidency

(KH) Karin van Honacker, EURBICA, Belgium

(EK) Elsbeth Kwant, Koninklijke Bibliotheek (KB), The Netherlands - observer

Europeana Office:

(HV) Harry Verwayen

(AV) Albert Verhaar

(VJV) Victor Jan Vos

(SA) Shadi Ardalan

Acronyms in the minutes:

EF (Europeana Foundation)

ENA (Europeana Network Association)

EAF (Europeana Aggregator Forum)

MC (Members Council of Europeana Network Association)

MS (Member States)

EC (European Commission)

DCHE (Digital Cultural Heritage and Europeana)

CHI (Cultural Heritage Institution)

GS (Generic Services)

DSI (Digital Service Infrastructure)

MFF (Multiannual Financial Framework)

Some discussions are omitted from this version as they are deemed confidential to the Governing Board at this point in time. The public meeting papers and documents referred to in these minutes can be seen [here on Europeana Pro](#).

The Chair EN welcomed the Board, and the Board formally appointed [Monica Drăgan](#) who will represent the Romanian Presidency until 31 December 2019.

I. Approval and adoption of minutes, decisions & actions and précis of minutes of 21 September 2018 meeting

The Board adopted the agenda, and approved the minutes of 21 September Board meeting.



HV noted that the launch of the Newspapers Collection has been postponed to February 2019¹ and the promotional flyer is therefore deferred.

III. Finance & financial sustainability

Decision 1: With 14 votes in favour including UZ's prior approval, the Board approved 2019 draft budget.

IV. Europeana Network Association update [Paper 3](#)

MS and the outgoing MB are looking forward to the Members Council elections which will be kicked off on 5 Dec in Vienna. 89 Network members have filed their candidacy for 28 seats. In the past two months the outgoing MB has focused on the handover plan, rules and functional terms of reference for communities and the Council. A Working Group is planning the AGM with a jam-packed and intense agenda mainly revolving around the communities. The keynote speaker is [Chris Sigaloff](#). The turnout is great and there is a waiting list. The 3D taskforce and the proposal from [Marinos Ioannides](#) is also on the agenda. MC will have a meeting on 4 December and the MB will be meeting the day before. We report at the AGM and together reflect on the MC's achievements and progress in the past two years. There will hopefully be a fresh breath and thinking to the MC and the MB. Some familiar faces may be re-elected.

JO added the 3D WG has drafted an outline and incorporated the input from Marinos Ioannides. The 3D proposal will be completed in the next few weeks and will be announced at the AGM in Vienna.

V. Europeana Foundation management update September/October 2018

The internal reporting has been mainstreamed and the reports are being repurposed so that the EF spends reasonably less time in reporting and doesn't burden the Board with huge reports. The Board appreciates the new management report format but would like to see a risk commentary, how they are mitigated and what measures are taken.

¹ The launch has now been postponed until April 2019 (dd 15 February 2019)



HV and VJV clarified the Generic Services issues and risks are related to too many priorities in the next 6 months. The focus will be on our two GS projects. Follow up plans are in place for Rise of Literacy and we could add a plan for Migration.

EN - The crowd heritage project - the user generated metadata coming from the project requires a policy that relates to the institutional metadata.

Branding: as the operator we are tasked to safeguard the Europeana brand and 'police' it. The issues with the use of Europeana brand in GS projects are a) confusion in the market, b) the Europeana GS partners use the brand and we have no control over it and c) tech - if we are integrating GS into our core project in any shape or form, they might not be core service compatible. Participating in GS projects is a mixed blessing. Sometimes it easily integrates into the core service, other times not. We had a meeting with all GS partners last week.

HV highlighted the release of metis this morning (20 November) which was a large undertaking and which should be celebrated as a big success.

VI. Any Other Business

Innovation agenda - JO shared the updated version of the Innovation Agenda report with the Board. It includes what we can do in relation to the new framework and how we can ensure we are part of Digital Europe Programme. The Taskforce believes the report is in the right direction. JO suggested to mention the innovation agenda of the network in the Horizon Europe. We want Europeana to be the innovator and convener. In Brussels JO will mention it. He also invited the Board to do so. The text of the innovation agenda will be ready in December. Martijn asked clarification about user generated content in the innovation document.

Europeana 10th anniversary - EF noted an overview of Europeana's 10th anniversary plans would be useful for CHIs to spread the word afterwards.

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Europeana Foundation Governing Board Members and Observers

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