Europeana Network Association Update

*Action proposed: For information*

### Overall update

Since the last update, the Network Association’s activities have revolved around the preparation of the second Members Council meeting of the year in Copenhagen in July, review process and start of the new Task Force and Working Groups, revision of our Aspiration and Approach, and preparations and kick-off of the Network Association Membership campaign 2017.

### Membership

Current Association membership stands at **1743** (number updated 29/05/2017).

### Our Aspiration and Approach

It was agreed that there will be three approaches - one for the Foundation Governing Board, one for the Office, and one for ENA. The Office will deliver its own new Approach and then they will all be reviewed in June by the Management Board and in July by the Members Council. The final process of approvals shall take place in September 2017 following the Governing Board meeting.

### Network Engagement

The recently ended *Audiovisual Media in Europeana TF* is undergoing a peer-review. Following on the outcomes of the MC meeting in February in The Hague, the Task Force Terms of Reference are being updated and further evaluated to reflect the consultation process before TF approval; the new ToR will allow for peer-reviewers to contact TF
Chairs at TF submission level. Additionally, an Office representative will increase the amount of reviewers from 4 to 5 to allow for informed decision.

The 6 TFs that were approved at the MC meeting in February are currently running: Advanced documentation of 3D Digital Assets, Europeana Resource Citation and Object Identity Standardization, Network Participation Framework, Impact Assessment TF, TF on Benchmarking Europeana, and Preparing Europeana for IIIF involvement TF. The Office tried to facilitate the process of approval of 2 newly proposed TFs: refined and resubmitted proposal for Europeana Local Communities TF, and a new proposal on Creation and Governance of EDM mappings, profiles and extensions that was proposed by the Office. However, due to the lack of participation of the Councillors, the online voting process failed to generate the right quorum. The proposals will therefore be either approved, discarded or approved upon conditions during the next MC physical meeting in Copenhagen in July, where the Office will address the issues related to the TF voting process.

6 WG are currently approved and running. The Library WG that was approved at the MC meeting in February and is about to get started. The #AllezCulture, Data Quality and the Copyright WGs are running, and Europeana Pro Working Group has been consulted for the launch of the new Pro website. The Governance WG is currently reviewing the new Terms of Reference for Councillors, as well as the membership and elections campaign communications grid that will respectively start in May and September.

Membership campaign 2017

The Office finalised the organisational matters related to this year’s Membership campaign. The message and related blog post have been communicated to the ENA members, providing 1 November as the deadline for the registration for elections. The campaign may result in losing some ENA members (anticipated 300-400), but the main objective is to raise awareness about the Association elections, reinforce the active membership in the Association and update members information for a better use of our CRM system (customized news, etc.).

Next MC Meeting (6-7 July, Copenhagen)

The next MC meeting will take place on 6 and 7 July at the National Gallery of Denmark in Copenhagen. This meeting will focus on the following topics:

- Members Council representation/role & Association engagement: Councillors Terms of Reference
- European Year of Cultural Heritage proposed for 2018: ENA’s input
- Joint Europeana Aspiration, ENA Approach, Europeana Office Approach & Europeana Foundation Approach
- Business Plan 2018
- Europeana Task Forces and Working Groups
- Preparations of Europeana General Assembly and elections 2017
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