ASSETS is a two-year Best Practice Network co-funded by the CIP PSP Programme to improve the accessibility and usability of Europeana (the European Digital Library platform). The ASSETS consortium comprises 24 partners, including institutions from ten different European countries and Japan, which are active in the field of cultural heritage and digital libraries.

ASSETS Services

Ingestion Services
The unified ingestion toolset allows content providers such as museums, libraries and archives to contribute their content to Europeana in a standardised and effective way. This process will generate enriched, clean and classified metadata, thereby increasing search precision and improving the user's browsing experience. High quality results and enhanced object previews will increase the search recall and user satisfaction.

Community Services
ASSETS provides the possibility to exchange information between portal users and the digital library, offering advantages to both. Users can enrich the library's resources with the results of their work and the libraries will improve the description of their objects. The added value of these services consists in the creation of customised content, knowledge extraction and recombination, and information presentation in line with user preferences.

Indexing & Ranking Services
ASSETS offers advanced indexing and ranking techniques for the efficient and effective retrieval of multimedia objects. Indexing functionalities are provided for image/video/audio/3D formats, which offer the possibility to perform multimedia-based similarity searches. The feedback from Europeana users improve the quality and precision of the retrieved results.

Browsing & Characterization services
This allows users to search, browse, navigate and view media content with the aim of enriching the user experience and offering customised search results. Semantic links are established between the different media objects in order to improve access to interesting information. The users’ behaviour is exploited to enhance the presentation of search results.

Digital Preservation Services
ASSETS provides a set of services which prepare the ground for digital preservation:
- Risk Management Service: identification and monitoring of potentially occurring events.
- Notification Service: track, report, notification, communication and management procedures for events that could impact on long term content access.
- Normalization Service: enact preservation plans.

Get involved in the ASSETS Community!

ASSETS 4 Cultural Heritage Institutions
For organisations holding cultural or scientific content, such as museums, archives or foundations, there are various benefits to be had by making their content available to ASSETS and Europeana. These include support for metadata enrichment, international visibility, increased interest for an organisation’s website, knowledge transfer and networking opportunities with leading domain experts. Contact us!

ASSETS 4 Universities/Research Centers
Researchers and ICT developers might be interested in gaining a deeper insight into the software services ASSETS is developing for Europeana. In order to find out more about the technologies used for improving access to Europe’s cultural and scientific heritage, please contact us!

ASSETS 4 Public Administrations
For educational institutions, government bodies or local authorities interested in enhancing tourism infrastructure, we offer high visibility for valuable digitised content. Europeana and ASSETS services are great resources for research and learning purposes. Europeana currently links to more than 14 million items!

ASSETS 4 End Users
Tourists, digital artists, students, researchers or European citizens interested in Europe’s cultural heritage can enjoy an enhanced search experience by registering with ASSETS and contributing to improvements to its services, enriching and sharing content in Europeana and providing feedback on ASSETS services.

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