



Europeana Collections 1914-1918

**National Libraries and further partners digitising
materials from World War One**

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1.) Aims and objectives

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- Digitisation of more than 425.000 items from World War One times, contributed by European National Libraries and further partners to Europeana.eu
- Project is associated with the upcoming centenary of World War One
- 12 partners from 8 European countries, most of them National Libraries
- Project duration: May 2011 – April 2014
- CIP ICT-PSP Pilot B, co-funding of 50%
- Website: www.europeana-collections-1914-1918.eu/

Partner's network



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British Library

Bibliothèque Royale de Belgique

Bibliothèque nationale de France

Bibliothèque nationale et universitaire de Strasbourg

Det Kongelige Bibliothek

Staatsbibliothek zu Berlin

Österreichische Nationalbibliothek

Narodna biblioteka Srbije, Serbia

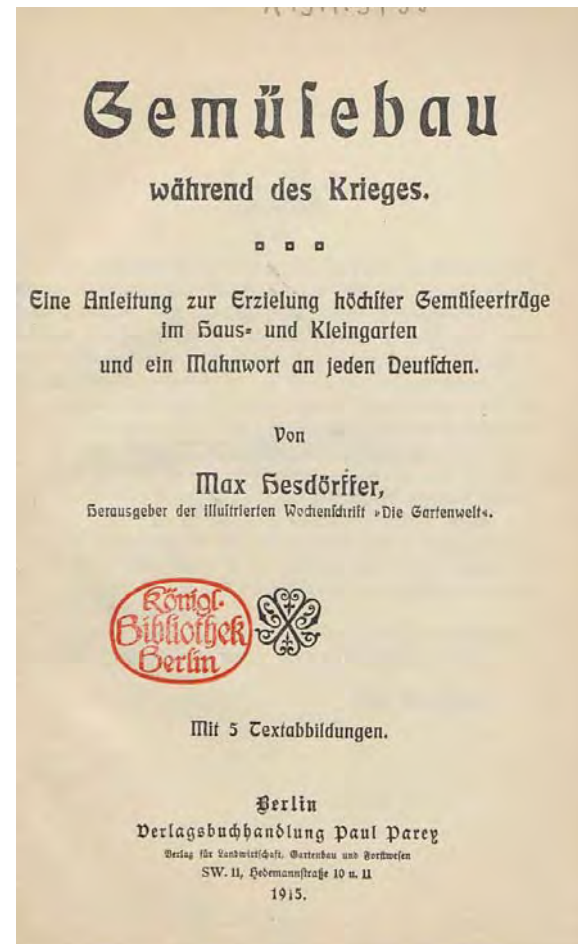
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Aims and objectives: focus on everyday life in wartime

digitised collections will focus on **everyday life in wartimes**. The project aims to give insight into life between 1914-1918 at the fronts as well as at home.

Within many others, these kinds of items will be digitised:

- books
- school journals and periodicals
- diaries, personal letters and postcards
- maps
- children's literature
- propaganda leaflets, caricatures & cartoons
- cookbooks
- handbooks & manuals



Recently published on Europeana

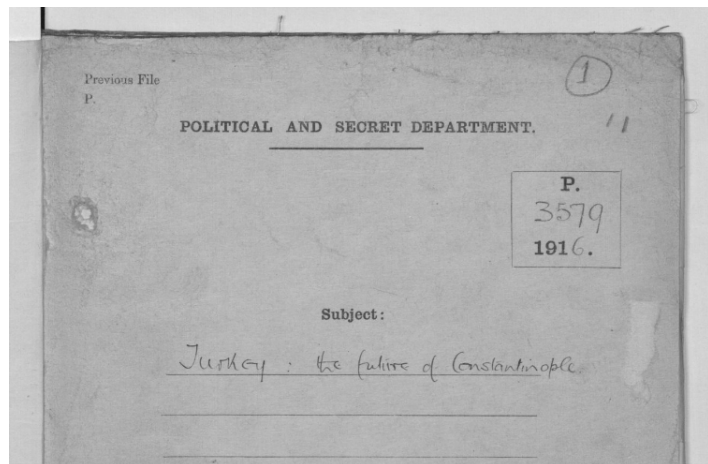


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*Theatre des Opérations
de la Guerre Européenne*
map collection
provided by
Bibliothèque
nationale de France



”To kvinder går i land”
Photographs from the
National Library of
Denmark



*„Turkey: The future
of Constantinople“*
Official Files provided by
The British Library

2.) Co-operations and network extension

Co-operations: 3 Europeana projects on WW1

USER GENERATED
CONTENT,
PRIVATE PERSONS



CONTENT FROM
INSTITUTIONS,
ONLY LIBRARIES &
ALSO
MUSEUMS AND
ARCHIVES



& FILM-RELATED
SERIALS, ARCHIVES



2.) Network extension

extension of the network of partners is part of the EC1418 project. Within EC1418 these kinds of institutions can become

work partners:

further National Libraries and Libraries
Museums and Archives, further cultural
heritage organisations
Projects

work partners benefits:

provision of your institutions WW1 collections to Europeana
adoption of the project's minimum classification for WW1 items
cooperation in dissemination



contact me, if you think your institution should become a network partner
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) Linking of heterogenous collections on Europeana

3.) Linking of heterogenous collections

Challenge:

Linking partners' collections based on individual libraries' classifications in only one national language.

Goal: transnational joint indexing for Europeana's WW1 collection to enable searching beyond of one partner's collection on Europeana

Approach chosen:

Development of a minimum classification based on

51 Subject Headings out of Library of Congress Subject Headings

43 object types

Query:

Subject: World War One

Object type: Postcard



The National Library of Denmark

Istituto centrale per il catalogo unico, Italy

3.) Minimum Classification

of the supported subject dings	EC1418 LCSH
stern Front	World War, 1914-1918--Campaigns--Western Front
tern Front	World War, 1914-1918--Campaigns--Eastern Front
an Front	World War, 1914-1918--Campaigns--Italy
ne Front	World War, 1914-1918--Campaigns
nch Life	World War 1914-1918--Trench warfare
al Warfare	World War, 1914-1918--Aerial operations
al Warfare	World War, 1914-1918--Naval operations
oners of War	Prisoners of war + World War, 1914-1918
oganda	World War, 1914-1918--Propaganda
urther LCSH-Kategorien	
bject types (e.g. book, diary, cookbook, trench magazine, photo, postcard etc)	

8 Minimum classification → <http://www.europeana-collections-1914-1918.eu/wp-content/ods/2012/04/Classification-of-content-in-EC1418.pdf>

3.) Advantages of the minimum classification

querying on Europeana & receiving results beyond the
limiting of one data provider

consolidation of content provided by different projects on
www.europeana.eu/

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European Film Gateway 1914

limitation to a set of relevant Europeana items

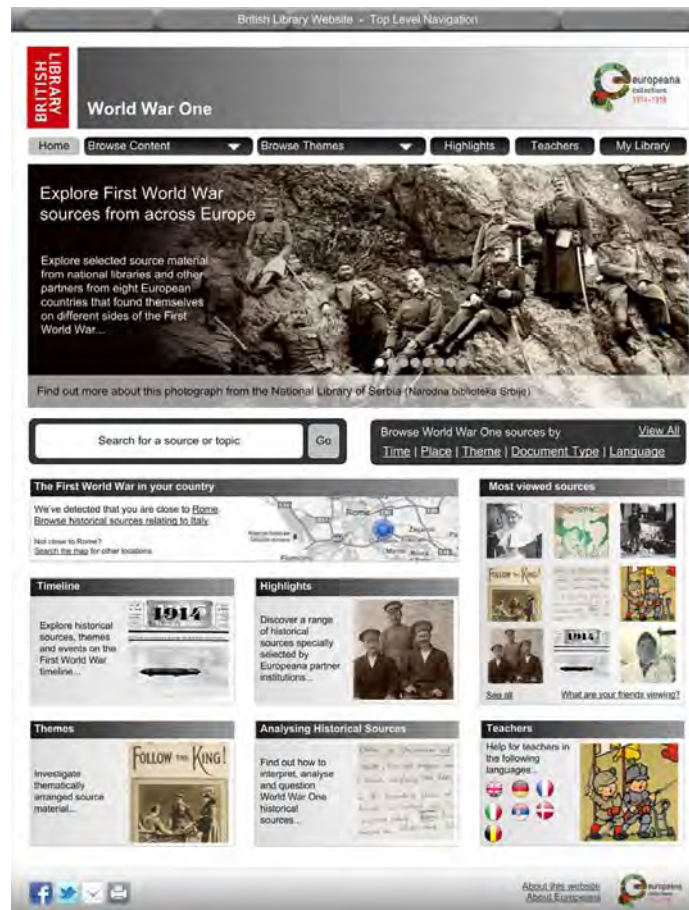
everything around WW1 (filter: World War One, 1914-
1918 subject heading)

4.) Foreseen usage and discovery tools

4.) Discovery: Learning Microsite

A web-based learning site dedicated to the project

- Concept developed by the British Library and applied to several topics
- targeting learners to develop skills they need to use primary source material
- Showing a selection of items provided by the project partners and directed for teaching purposes
- giving consideration to the international use of the resource with multilingual features and content provided by all partners
- Structured: by topic, by time, by document type and language



A first wireframe for the Learning Microsite

4.) Discovery: Virtual Exhibition

Virtual Exhibition

The Europeana Collections 1914-18 contributes a Virtual Exhibition on the Europeana Exhibition platform in 2014.

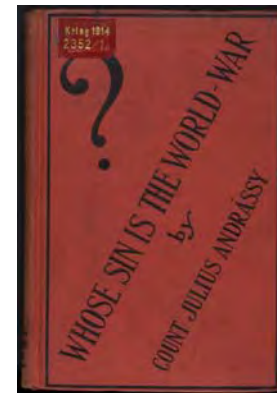
- Topic: Transgressions
- Based on a selection of significant items from each of the project partners.
- Target group: Internet users with general interest, looking for an entry point to the thematical complex
- Edited by project partners and co-operation partners from Humboldt-University of Berlin



4.) Discovery: Exhibitions

d) Launch Exhibitions

presentations of physical objects which are part of the digitised collections
hosted in Berlin, Brussels, London, Paris and Belgrade
organised to take place in the first year of the centenary, in the beginning of 2014 with the aim of engaging a wide range of potential users



4.) Discovery: Channel/thematical portal

Channel / thematical portal

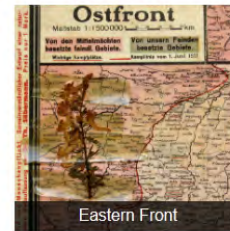
Attention to provide a thematical channel on Europeana:

- Display of World War 1 related items only
- Display of items tagged with the minimum classification items
- Decision outstanding: Expected for the end of 2012

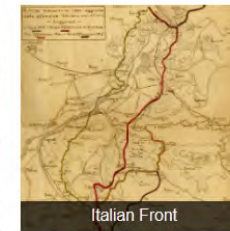
Featured categories



Western Front



Eastern Front



Italian Front



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Aerial Warfare



Naval Warfare



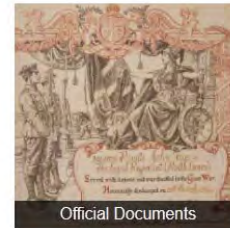
Prisoners of War



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Women



Official Documents

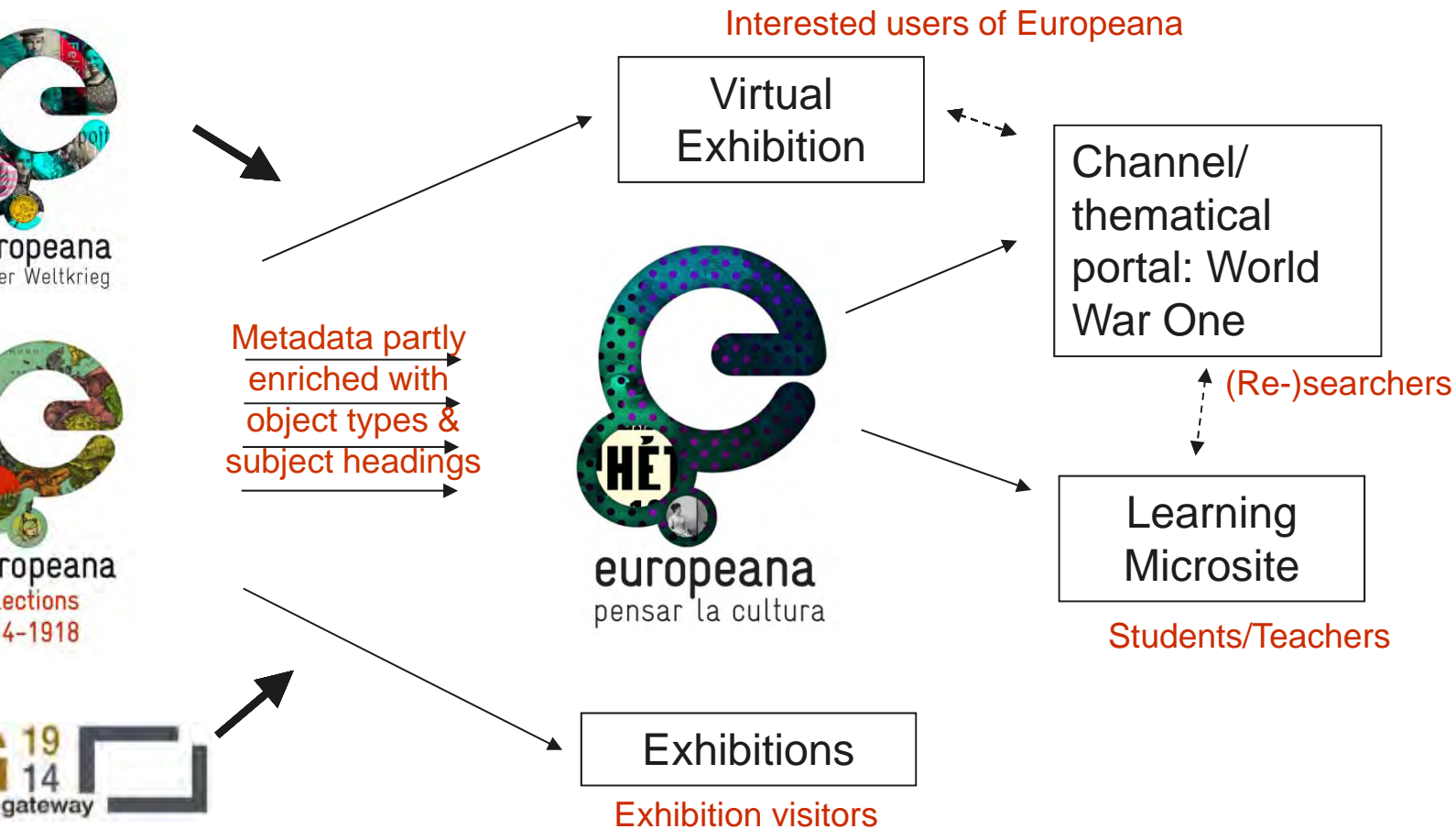


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Discovery: Providing access to different target groups



Summary

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Digitisation of more than 425.000 items until 2014

Provided by 12 project partners

And by further network partners

Dissemination and discovery

On Europeana

On a Learning Microsite → Learners

On a Virtual Exhibition → Interested Europeana Users, Beginners

At Exhibitions of physical objects from the collections

On a channel / thematical portal of WW1 items based on the
minimum classification (decision outstanding)



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Thank you!

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