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**Judaica Europeana: single access to
Jewish heritage collections online**

Europeana — the vision

Europe's digital libraries, archives and museums online

- A showcase for Europe's cultural and scientific heritage
- A flagship project of the European Commission and the European Parliament.

“A digital library that is a single, direct and multilingual access point to the European cultural heritage.”

European Parliament, 27 September 2007

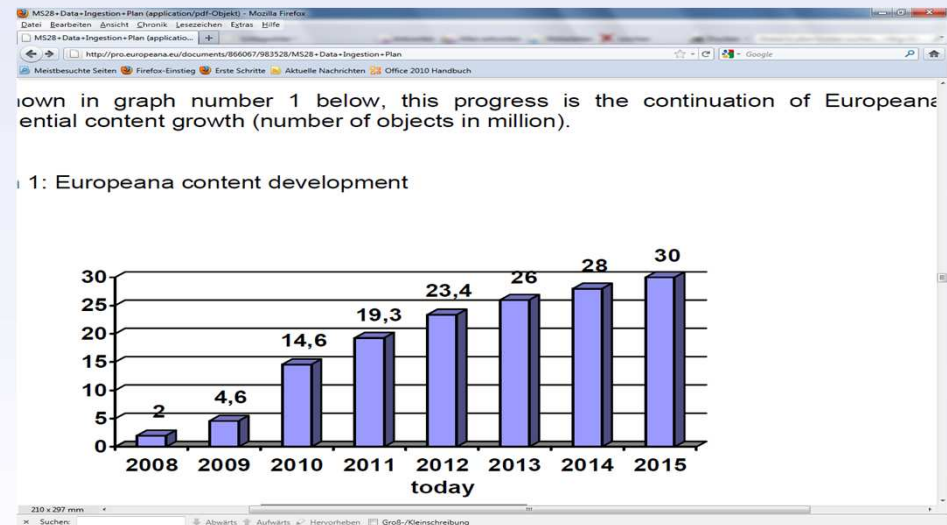
“A unique resource for Europe's distributed cultural heritage ... ensuring a common access to Europe's libraries, archives and museums.”

Horst Forster, Director, Digital Content & Cognitive Systems Information Society Directorate, European Commission

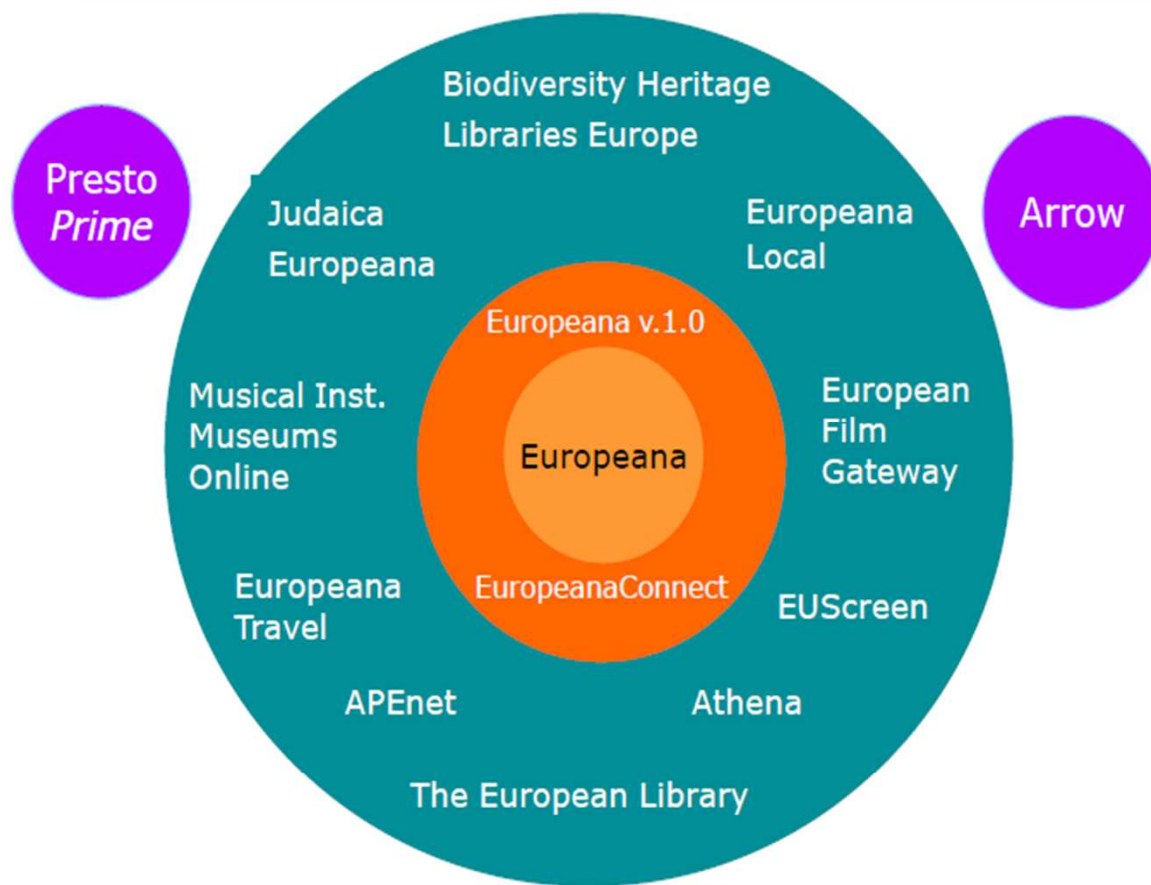


Europeana Today

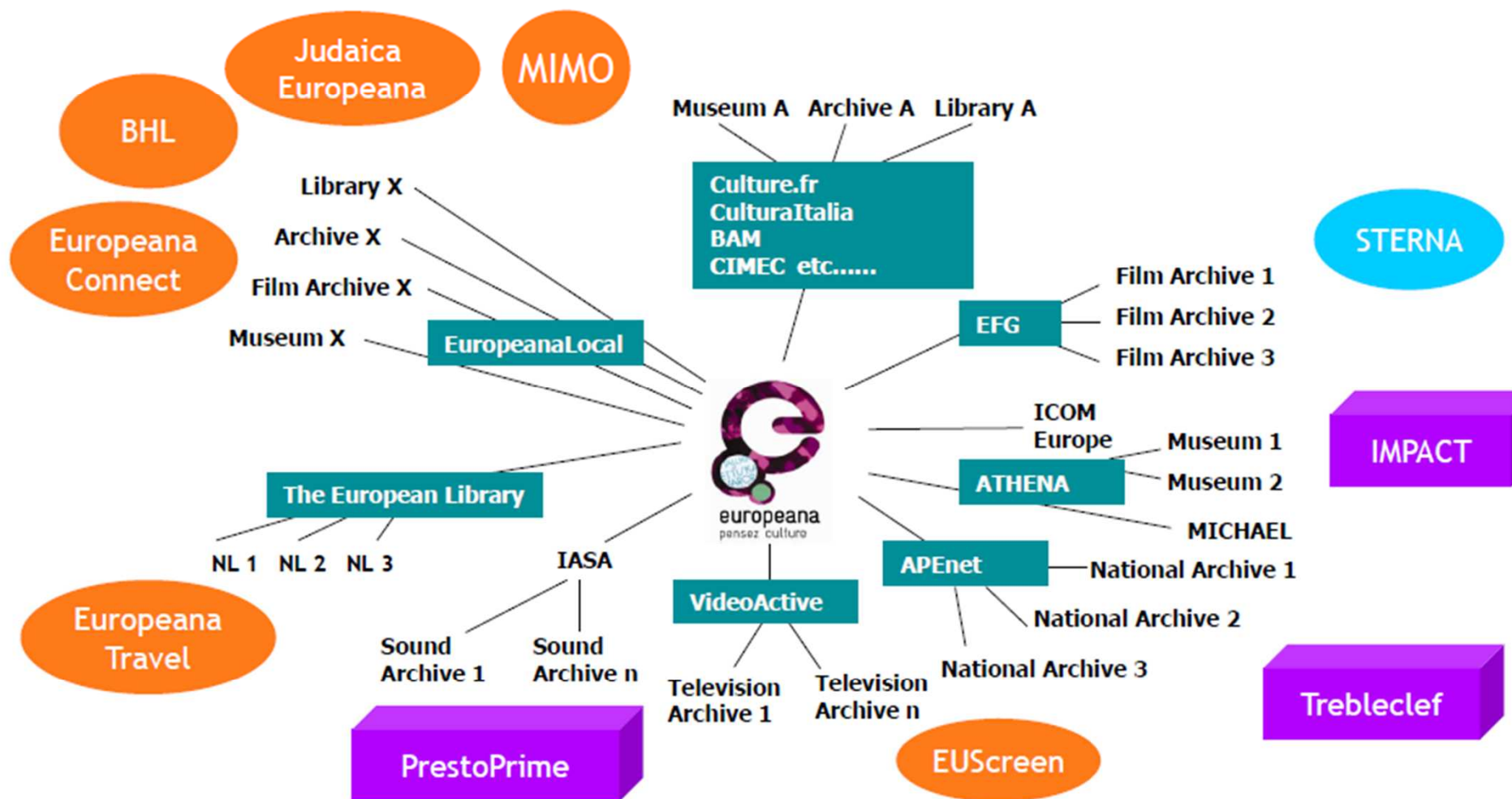
- A partnership network in 33 countries in Europe and outside providing access to their collections through aggregation.
- Start 2008 – 2 million objects
- 2012 – 24 million objects



Europeana Group of Projects



The Europeana Universe of Projects



The Judaica Europeana project

- **brings digitized Jewish heritage collections online to a single multilingual access point: Europeana.eu**
- **documents Jewish history and heritage in Europe with a focus on urban life**



The Project

Duration: 2010-2011 (Febr 2012)

- Led by the European Association for Jewish Culture and Frankfurt University Library and launched with 10 (11) partners in 7 countries
- Current network includes 26 institutions in Europe, Israel and the US
- Funded by the eContentPlus program of the European Commission, the Rothschild Foundation (Hanadiv) Europe and project partners.
Project of 3 million Euro - 50% EU funding

The Network

Founding Partners

- European Association of Jewish Culture, London
- Jewish Division of the Frankfurt University Library / Goethe University Frankfurt am Main
- Alliance Israélite Universelle, Paris
- British Library, London
- Hungarian Jewish Archives, Budapest
- Jewish Historical Institute, Warschau
- Jewish Museum of Greece, Athen
- Jewish Museum, London
- Ministry of Cultural Heritage and Activity (MiBAC), Rome / State Archive Venice and Parma Library
- Amitié, Center for Research and Innovation, Bologna (National Technical University, Athens)

Associate Partners

- Ben Uri Gallery / London Jewish Museum of Art
- Bibliotheca Rosenthaliana, Amsterdam
- Center for Jewish History, New York
- Centre français des musiques juives, Paris
- Harvard University Library
- Institute for Jewish Policy Research, London
- JDC Archives, New York
- Jewish Historical Museum, Amsterdam
- Jewish Museum Berlin
- Jewish Museum, Frankfurt/Main
- Leopold Zunz Centrum, Halle-Wittenberg
- Lorand Collection, Augsburg University
- National Library of Israel, Jerusalem
- Paris Yiddish Center—Medem Library
- Sephardi Museum, Toledo
- Central Zionist Archives, Jerusalem
- Ministerio de Cultura, Madrid
- Salomon Ludwig Steinheim Institute, Essen

Challenges of the Project

1) Preparation

- Application requires intensive involvement of staff and large investment of time
- Detailed enquiries of data

2) In regard to programme:

- Tight time frame of 2 years
- Diversity of partners with different facilities and standards
- Multitude of tasks in different fields as formulated in the agreement:

Programme of work

- **Digitisation and aggregation** of Jewish heritage content for Europeana.
- **Coordination of standards** across institutions in order to synchronise the metadata with the requirements of Europeana.
- **Deployment of knowledge management tools:** vocabularies, thesauri and ontologies for the indexing and retrieval of the aggregated content.
- **Dissemination activities to stimulate the use of digitised content** in academic research; university-based teaching; schools; museums and virtual exhibitions; conferences; cultural tourism; the arts.

Challenges of the Project

- **Digitization and aggregation** of Jewish heritage content for Europeana
 - digitization of multitude of different source material (text / images of artifacts and objects/ audio / video)
 - content enrichment – metadata system
 - Requires efforts within institutions
- **Coordination of standards** across institutions in order to synchronise metadata with the requirements of Europeana :
 - standardization and integration of diverse metadata
 - Requires software know-how and support for uploading between partners

Challenges of the Project

- **Deployment of knowledge management tools**
 - Controlled vocabularies, thesauri and ontologies for the indexing and retrieval of the aggregated content
 - collaborative semantic tools
 - Finding know-how of experts from outside
- **Dissemination activities** in different levels
 - Virtual exhibitions
 - School and university courses
 - Public relations
 - Publication of leaflets / newsletter online
 - Engagement and cooperation of a lot of different partners

Challenges of the project

3) In regard to workflow:

- Communication between partners
- Evaluation
 - Monitoring of success by indicators
- Contact to Academic Community
 - Advisory Board
- Reports to be delivered

Challenges of the Project

4) In relation to Europeana:

- Adapting to Europeana requirements
 - Changing Europeana mapping requirements from ESE (Europeana Semantic Elements) to EDM (Europeana Data Modell)
- Ingestion of vast amount of metadata due to mass digitization
 - Finding the right aggregator for ingestion
 - Getting time-slot with Europeana

5) Sustainability

- Future exploitation and re-use of material

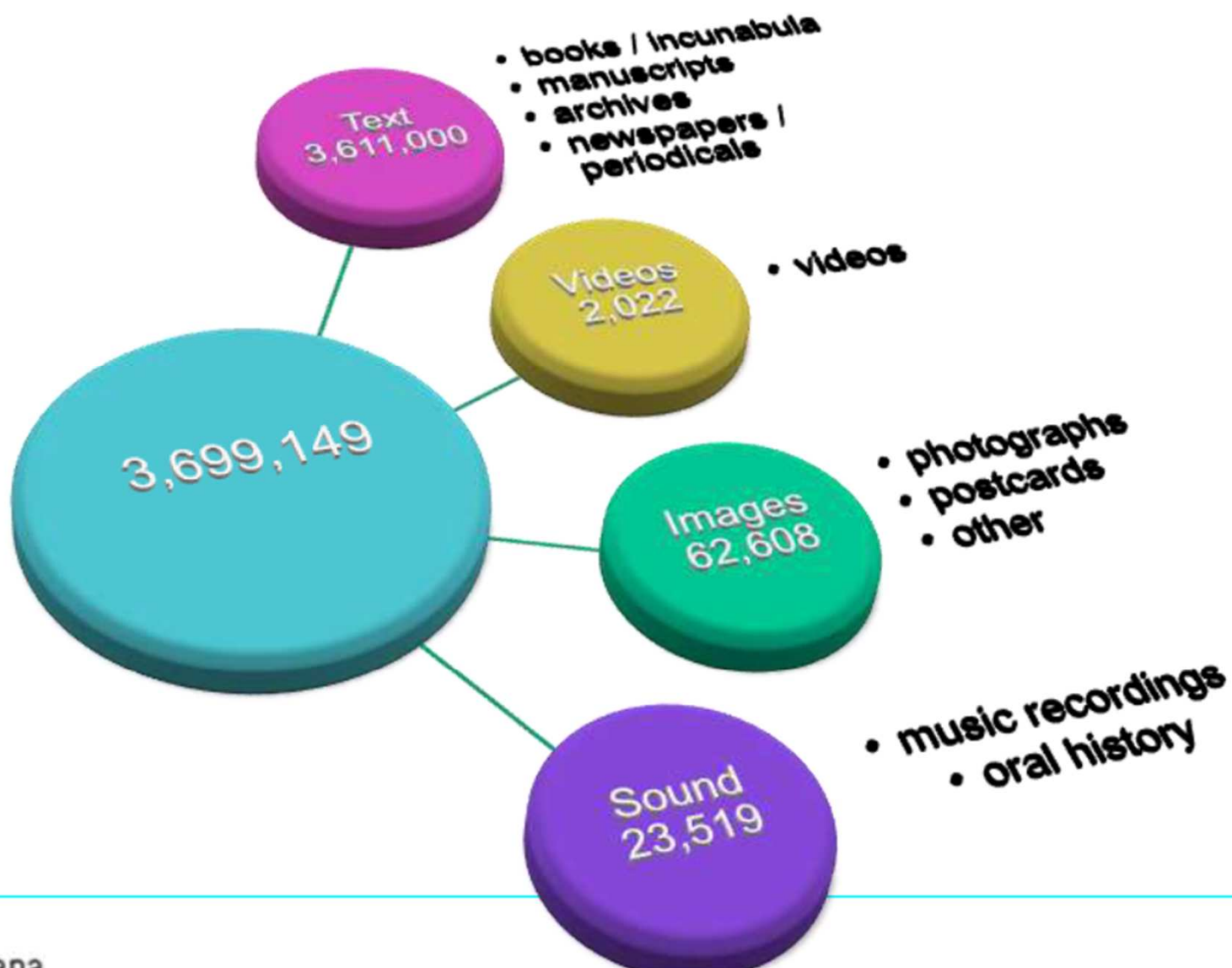
Achievements

- Reached and exceeded the goal of the project
 - 3.7 million digital objects of all categories
 - Standardization of very diverse metadata
 - Ingestion of cross-domain content
- Laying foundation for integration of content in new semantic web of Linked Data (LD)
- Development of controlled vocabularies and collaborative semantic tools:
 - Establishment of knowledge management tools: the Haskala (Jewish Enlightenment) Database / Creation of a platform for collaborative research using the semantic mediawiki

Annex 2 Content already digitized by the providers				Content Provider			
Content Provider							
Collection Name	Type of object	Quantity in pages	Collection Name	Quantity in pages	Format		
Frankfurt University Library/Judaica Collection			Frankfurt University Library/Judaica				
Freimann-Collection	Paper	750.000	Judaica Frankfurt	200.000	Text		
Yiddish prints	Paper	200.000	Freimann-Collection, Part II	300.000	Text		
Compact Memory	Paper	700.000	Hebrew Manuscripts	75.000	Text		
Alliance Israelite Universelle			Alliance Israelite Universelle				
AIU Books and Pamphlets	Paper	16.000	AIU- Library	33.000	Text		
AIU Bulletins	Paper	300.000	Jewish Periodicals, 19th & 20th century				
Photo Collection	Paper	1.200	Books	120.000	Text		
Film Collection			Photo-Collection	5.000	Image		
Film			Film collection	8 films x 3-45 mn	Video		1766 Images
8 Movies, Wma			Archival material	840	Text		
Records of Jewish songs			Medem Library				
Yiddish Books			Records of Jewish songs	6.000	Audio		3694 Text
Photo-Collection			Yiddish Books	78.500	Text		1508 Text
			Photo-Collection	1.000	Image		1404 Text
			1938 Jewish communal life		Paper		1716 Text
			Breslau registers		Paper		1307 Text
			Communal organization		Paper		2260 Text
			Jewish families		Paper		1021 Text
Jewish Museum of Greece			Jewish Museum of Greece				
Manuscripts	Paper	90 Text	Books - Titlepages				
Documents	Paper	1.000 Text	Books, complete				
Textiles	Object	6 Image	Manuscripts				
Coins	Object	125 Image	Archival material -				
Architectural Elements	Object	24 Image	Documents				
Photos	Paper	873 Image	Postcards				
Etchings	Paper	90 Image	Religious Artifacts				
Ephemera	Object	80 Image	Hungarian Jewish Archives				
Jewish Museum London			Dohany Street Synagogue -				
Album-pages	Paper	203 Text	Pews				
Letters	Paper	130 Text	Jews of Pest - Conscription				
Theatre Programmes	Paper	53 Text	MIBAC				
Leaflets	Paper	41 Text	Bibliotheca Palatina di Parma				
			Incunabula	100.000	Text		
			16th Century Books	48.000	Text		
Jewish Historical Institute, Warsaw			Jewish Historical Institute, Warsaw				
			Breslau, Electors registers	5947	Text		
			Breslau - Rabbinate	2692	Text		
			Burial Society	21.980	Text		
			Community members	4335	Text		
			Jewish cemeteries	11.614	Text		
			Jewish Theological Library	8640	Text		
			Jewish Charity	22.070	Text		
			Assoc. Of German Jews	4918	Text		
			Emigration	1971	Text		
			Schools	4000	Text		

3.7 million digital objects

Achievements: online access to Jewish heritage



Appendix 3 Europeana 130 direct providers aggregators and content providers

- [Athena \(3.976.482\)](#)
- [The European Library \(3.457.501\)](#)
- [moteur Collections : France \(2.205.082\)](#)
- [Hispana \(1.762.759\)](#)
- [Norsk Kulturråd \(1.352.518\)](#)
- [Swedish Open Cultural Heritage \(1.262.773\)](#)
- [Saxon State and University Library, Dresden / Deutsche Fotothek \(1.104.117\)](#)
- [Irish Manuscripts Commission \(907.837\)](#)
- [CARARE \(812.972\)](#)
- [Federacja Bibliotek Cyfrowych \(783.275\)](#)
- [CultureGrid \(696.036\)](#)
- [Archives Portal Europe \(555.370\)](#)
- [EFG - The European Film Gateway \(546.352\)](#)
- [OpenUp! \(514.198\)](#)
- [Bayerische Staudio visualtsbibliothek \(465.614\)](#)
- [Judaica Europeana \(460.883\)](#) ←
- [DISMARC - EuropeanaConnect \(347.929\)](#)
- [Hope \(190.471\)](#)
- [Riksarkivet \(132.597\)](#)
- [Universiteitsbibliotheek Gent \(129.918\)](#)
- [ASSETS \(128.887\)](#)
- [Bernstein project: <http://www.memoryofpaper.eu> \(119.961\)](#)
- [Rijksmuseum \(112.589\)](#)
- [Erfgoed Brabant \(111.664\)](#)

Content in Europeana by content provider TOP 15

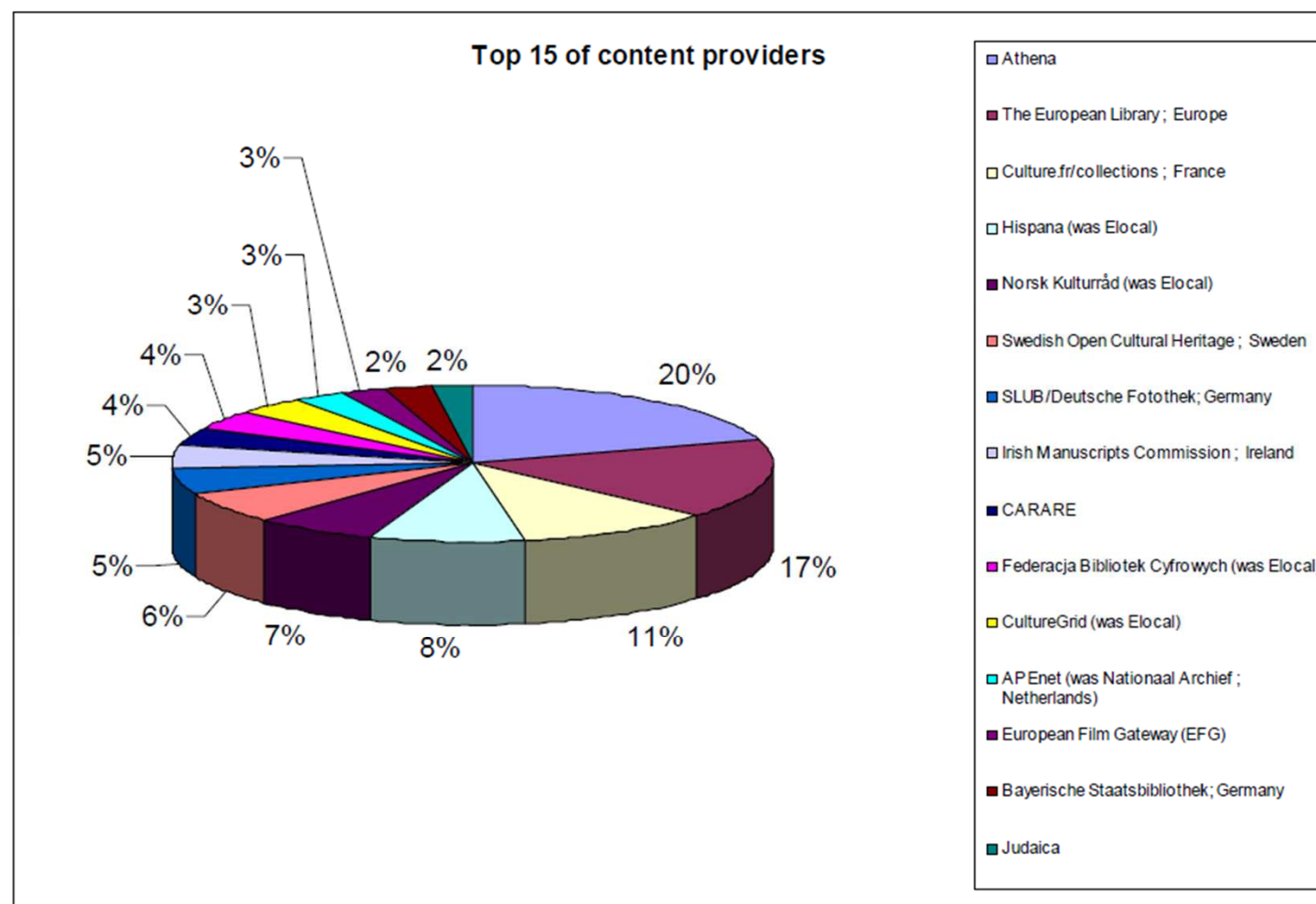


Figure 3 Europeana Content by content provider TOP 15

Haskala database functionalities

New functionalities provided by Semantic MediaWiki:

- Improved data structure
- Searching for information – creating own queries
- Automatically generated up-to-date lists
- Visual display of information – timelines, graphs, maps
- External reuse – data source for other applications



The Haskala database content

Over 1,000 books

- detailed data on 521 books
- more basic data on 359 books
- detailed data on 343 people: authors, editors, translators, booksellers etc
- data on 2,430 people in total
- data on publishing houses



David Friedländer (1750-1834), writer, banker and communal leader



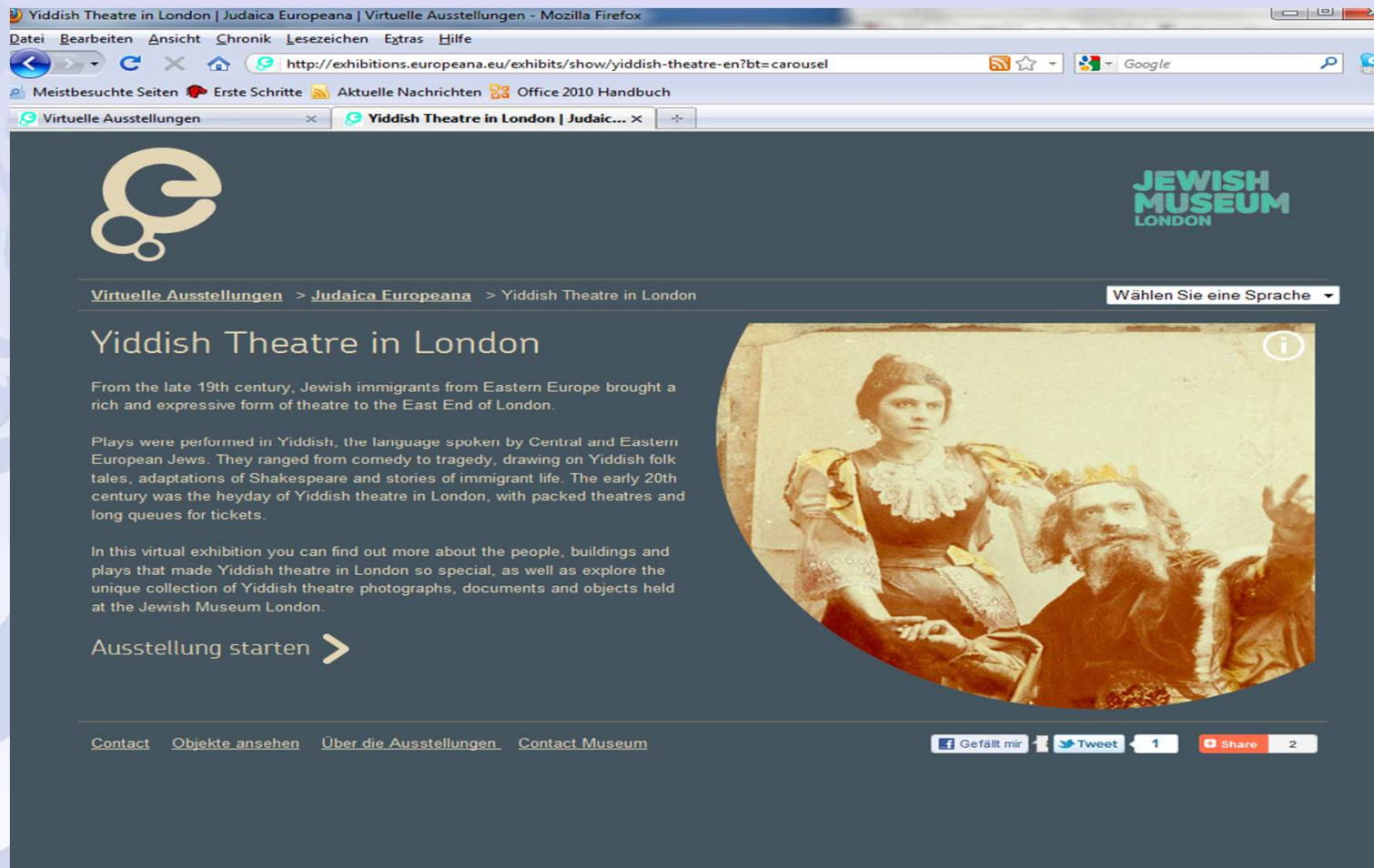
Dissemination of Judaica content



100 events in 25 cities:

Amsterdam, Athens, Barcelona, Bergen, Berlin, Brussels, Budapest, Edinburgh, Fermo, Florence, Frankfurt, Halle, Jerusalem, Krakow, London, Madrid, Naples, New York, Paris, Poznan, Ravenna, Rome, Siena, Southampton, Tel Aviv, Warsaw

Successful Dissemination



Continuation of the Project

Second Stage 2012-14:

- Formation of Judaica Europeana Consortium
- Continued aggregation of collections of a growing network of associate partners
- Participation in 'Digital Manuscripts to Europeana', (DM2E), a new EC-funded digital project, which will contribute content and technology to Europeana.
- New technology –user generated content / crowd sourcing
- Positive impact on the institutions
 - Improved visibility, new funding for projects, addition of new positions



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Judaica Europeana Jewish collections online

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Ghetto Theatre by David
Bomberg, 1920, courtesy of
Ben Uri, The London Jewish Museum
of Art

Judaica Europeana collections uploaded

Judaica Europeana is a growing network of 25 heritage institutions, led by the European Association for Jewish Culture in London, which will bring digitized Jewish content collections to Europeana – a portal of Europe's museums, archives and libraries. The digitization of partners' collections has proceeded apace over the last year alongside the harmonization of their metadata. Once the collections' databases have been uploaded, users will be able to find and view each and every object together with its cataloguing data. The first batch of Judaica Europeana collections uploaded on Europeana included a substantial part of the Freimann Collection at the Frankfurt University Library.

[More about uploaded collections](#)

Spotlight on partners' collections

Ben Uri — The London Jewish Museum of Art



Ben Uri was founded in 1915 in Whitechapel in the heart of the Jewish East End of London. It has a fascinating history and is the longest-established Jewish cultural institution in Britain. It is no coincidence the histories of the Ben Uri and that of 20th century British art are closely intertwined; the blossoming of the immigrant generations of Jewish artists was mirrored by the development of modernist painting in Britain. The outburst of creativity, which burgeoned in London's East End and gave the country so many of its 20th century masters, including the group now known as the Whitechapel Boys, also gave birth to the Ben Uri.

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Zusammenfassung

Wann:

Monatliche Historie

Tage im Monat

Wochentage

Stunden (Serverzeit)

Wer:

Länder

☐ Gesamte Liste

Robots/Spiders (Suchmaschinen)

☐ Gesamte Liste

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Navigation:

Aufenthaltsdauer

Datei-Typen

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Betriebssysteme

☐ Versionen

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☐ Unbekannt

Verweise:

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Sonstige:

Verschiedenes

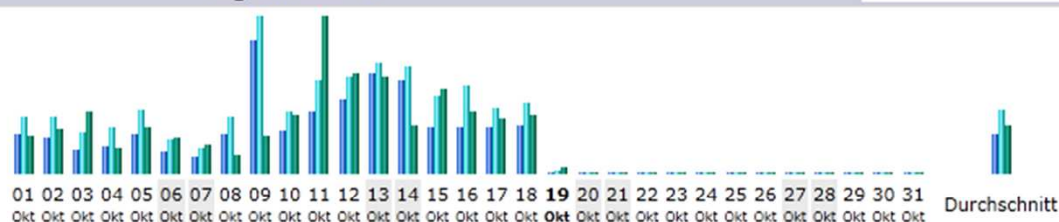
HTTP Fehlercodes

☐ Nicht gefundene Seiten



Monat	Unterschiedliche Besucher	Seiten	Zugriffe	Bytes
Jan 2012	16,297	1,012,867	1,676,279	204.00 GB
Feb 2012	9,763	870,662	1,651,146	168.17 GB
März 2012	10,198	959,962	1,818,934	257.30 GB
Apr 2012	10,982	852,696	1,478,645	201.88 GB
Mai 2012	8,571	864,158	1,507,501	213.96 GB
Juni 2012	7,915	871,187	1,539,885	214.66 GB
Juli 2012	7,704	931,422	1,732,030	249.05 GB
Aug 2012	7,479	1,296,195	1,891,099	295.20 GB
Sep 2012	8,781	1,827,133	2,441,776	255.82 GB
Okt 2012	6,462	845,308	1,177,445	169.13 GB
Nov 2012	0	0	0	0
Dez 2012	0	0	0	0
Total	94,152	10,331,590	16,914,740	2229.18 GB

Tage im Monat



Tag	Seiten	Zugriffe	Bytes
01.10.2012	35,422	50,703	5.85 GB
02.10.2012	31,655	51,413	7.11 GB
03.10.2012	21,866	36,178	9.87 GB
04.10.2012	23,566	40,969	4.14 GB
05.10.2012	36,024	58,026	7.43 GB
06.10.2012	19,690	30,711	5.64 GB
07.10.2012	14,883	22,912	4.66 GB
08.10.2012	35,670	50,687	2.84 GB