

# **European Activities**

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Digital Research Infrastructure for the Arts and Humanities

# DH in Europe is already well organised

There is funding Own Centres Many new jobs

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## Lots of 'centres'



# Professional Organization (older than me)

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The EADH brings together and represents the Digital Humanities in Europe across the entire spectrum of disciplines that research, develop, and apply digital humanities methods and technology. These include art history, cultural studies, history, image processing, language and literature studies, manuscripts studies, and musicology, amongst others. The EADH also supports the formation of DH interest groups in Europe that are defined by region, language, methodological focus or other criteria.

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## **New National Projects**



## Academic Recognition For Alternative Outputs

### http:// lornamhughes.blogspot.co.uk/ 2015/01/on-ref-2014-whynobody-wins-unless.html





http://simon-tanner.blogspot.co.uk/ 2015/02/3-reasons-ref2014-was-good-fordigital.html



Friday 30 January 2015

#### On REF 2014: Why nobody wins unless everybody wins.

As a slightly obsessive[1] Bruce Springsteen fan, I'm familiar with the phrase "nobody wins" unless everybody wins". It was used by Mr. Springsteen at the conclusion of many of his concerts in the 70's and 80's, and from time to time he slill uses it as a valediction (three is almost cortainly a web site that cross-references all instances of his use of the phrase in concert with performances of Prove it all infly with the 78 into the phrase, and if not three should be). What it means is that we really are all in this together, and that winning (financially, professionally) is only truy meaningful if it also things about good for other: if a company makes lost of morey, it should pay its workers better, rather than giving the CEO a borus, sort of thing. For a good analysis of its use in a business context, see <u>Bill Taylor's article</u> in the Harvard Business Review on Dec 7<sup>10</sup> 2010.

So what has this to do with the Research Excellence Framework (REF)? First of all, I don't believe that research is about 'winning'. Setting aside the comparative impossibility of that concept - the idea that researching the origins of cancer can be compared to researching the end of the Roman Empire - it's incredibly difficult to adequately compare research within the same area of study, let alrong the came discribility. Yet this is what the RFE has set nut to do. Much has been written a

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One notable concern I and many colleagues across the digital humanities sphere have is how seriously are our digital research outputs recognised by the Academy. There are a number of resources that express this concern (especially in the USA) and I would point to UNC's Digital Humanities Initiative page on valuing and evaluating academic digital humanities practice as a good starting point. This quote from Kristine Bartanen's helpful blog on Digital Scholarship and the Tenure and Promotion Process also expresses early career researcher concerns:

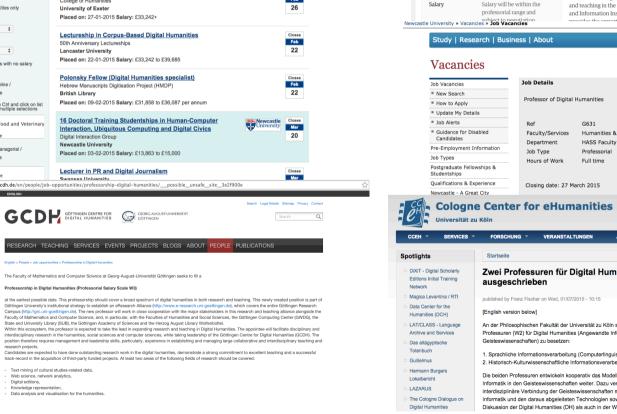
"some are doing ground-breaking work in open source, collaborative scholarly projects. Others, particularly pre-tenure or pre-promotion faculty, are reticent to venture into digital work out of concern for how that work will be acknowledged, valued, and rewarded in existing faculty tenure, promotion, and merit award systems."

Thus one cheering result of the REF2014 is that online research outputs were accepted, validated and recognised by the Panel. DDH submitted a wide range of digital research resources as research publications and outputs - as did many other units across the UK. There is every sign that these were given equal recognition to other forms of research output and that research datasets may be identified as notably worthy of recognition.

### Professors, jobs and work . . .

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# The Digital Humanities Bubble

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Mark Bauerlein (English at Emory): 'We've had 30,000 items of scholarship on Shakespeare in the last 30 to 35 years. There could be things to reveal, to display about Hamlet using these new technologies.... That's the promise of digital humanities. The revolutionary claims? The 'savior of the humanities' claim? Forget it. This is hype.'

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New Positivism

• No new insights
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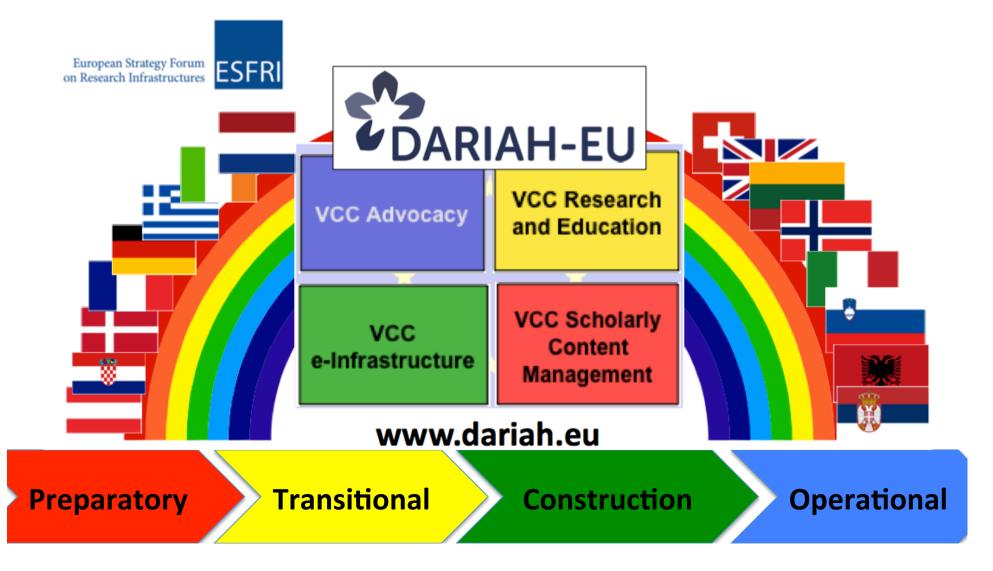
# **DARIAH-EU Platform**

Transnational Research Working with Collections

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## Digital Research Infrastructure for the Arts and Humanities (DARIAH)

## Sharing digital arts and humanities knowledge



## Sharing Digital Arts and Humanities Knowledge

- Long-established tradition of digital arts and humanities research in Europe
- Lots of projects but nothing to connect and sustain their results
- Sharing Knowledge beyond the narrower community





## **Network of Members**



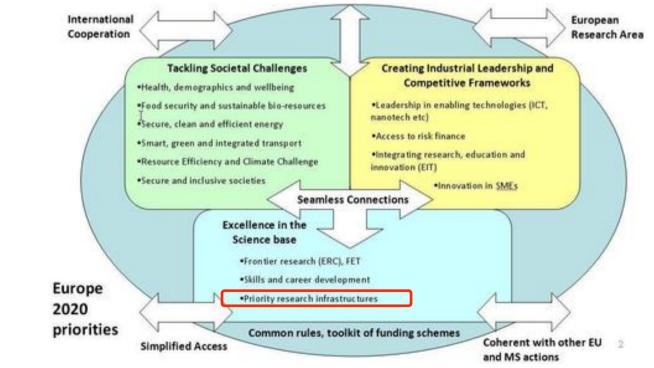
Form national projects

Integrate and scale to a European wide activity



Research Infrastructures: Transnational Research

- Horizon 2020
  - Excellent Science
  - Priority Research Infrastructures





# DARIAH at work in FP 7

- Enable disciplinespecific infrastructures
  - Integrating activities
    - CHARISMA
    - EHRI and CENDARI
    - ARIADNE
- Research into e-Research
  - Analysis of methods: NeDiMah
- Education
  - Digital Scholarship: DiXiT
- Collaborations with other Infrastructures
  - e-Cloud
  - DM2E
  - DASISH









## EHRI, ARIADNE and CHARISMA

## Public History of the Holocaust Conference













# Call 2: Integrating & opening: Topics addressed by humanities researchers

#### Mathematics and ICT - Starting Communities

• **Distributed, multidisciplinary European infrastructure on Big Data and social data mining.** This activity should integrate large social data repositories, social data mining methods and tools, and supercomputing facilities for conducting large-scale analytical processing. This integrated infrastructure should enable performing complex processes to extract social knowledge. The proposal should also address training in social data mining, to foster the availability of skilled data scientists.

#### Social Sciences and Humanities - Advanced Communities

- **Contemporary European history: European Holocaust research infrastructure**. This activity aims at building upon existing research infrastructures and expanding them to include new material and new techniques in order to open distributed access of researchers to scattered material.
- European research infrastructures for restoration and conservation of cultural heritage. This activity aims at bringing together facilities, located in research centres, universities and important culture institutions of different countries, for advanced diagnostics as well as the restoration and conservation of cultural heritage overcoming fragmentation, rationalising resources and advancing the international role of European cultural heritage research.

## *INFRADEV-4-2014/2015: Implementation and operation of cross-cutting services and solutions for clusters of ESFRI and other relevant research infrastructure initiatives*

• **PARTHENOS**. The present proposal aims at strengthening the cohesion of research in the broad sector of Linguistic Studies, Humanities, Cultural Heritage, Archaeology and related fields through a thematic cluster of European Research Infrastructures, integrating initiatives, e-infrastructures and other world-class infrastructures, building bridges between different, although tightly interrelated, fields.



# DH in Europe

- Recognized in academia
- New jobs but also danger of a bubble
- Transnational research on sources







## **Questions?**

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# The State of Digital Humanities

"We are no longer pioneers for a few. The whole world is turning digital, and we are part of it." (Robinson)

