Documentation Standards Working Group

In CIDOC 2017 in Tbilisi, Georgia, 30th September 2017
Report in Annual General Meeting
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DSWG people

• Jonathan Whitson-Cloud, United Kingdom, Co Chair, since 2014
• Maija Ekosaari, Finland, Co Chair, since 2016
• Rupert Shepherd
DSWG’s Mission

• DSWG will now identify, promote and disseminate existing museum documentation standards, rather than create them
  • DSWG no longer the prime generator of standards
  • CIDOC developing, maintaining and supporting several “standards” in own working groups (Co-reference, CRM SIG, LIDO, Research environments)

Projects and stakeholders

• We work with museum professionals, academics and software providers
• Encyclopedia of Museum Practice main channel for collecting and disseminating information
Programme in Tbilisi, 26 & 27 September

- Short Introduction to previous work
  CIDOC Principles of museum documentation
  მუზეუმის დოკუმენტაციის CIDOC პრინციპები
  - Maija Ekosaari
- Exchanging data between different systems 1 & 2
  - Rupert Shepherd & Maija Ekosaari
- Preparing for Wednesday: Introduction to EoMP
  - Rupert Shepherd
- Encyclopaedia of Museum Practice wiki editing session
  - Rupert Shepherd & Jan Behrendt

Encyclopaedia of Museum Practice
Wiki editing session

- Introduction to the Encyclopedia, how to register as editor
- Basics of editing a TikiWiki entry
- About 10 new registered editors in EoMP
- Planning virtual meetup for 2 hours of collaborative editing
- Participants identified few technical problems and questions
  → Jonathan
Ideas for CIDOC 2018

1) Closed session with Collections Management software vendors (not open to general conference delegates) about developing a limited set of interchangeable information for the facilitation of loans.
2) A wider conference session on the use of software tools in documentation. Do proprietary tools have a future? What might they look like in 10 years time?

Next Steps

• Encyclopedia: Virtual meetup for 2 hours of collaborative editing
  • October & November 2017; February & May 2018, dates TBC
• Attracting more contributors to EoMP

• Analysing and summarizing results of Tuesday’s workshop, part 1 & 2
  ➔ Planning meeting with Software providers
  ➔ Workshops and sessions for CIDOC 2018
Slides & Results of Tbilisi workshops

• Slides and additional material of DSWG Workshops available
  https://drive.google.com/open?id=0BxmA2XuO4KP4V3VODVBtVUQ2eTQ

• Interested in
  • following up with the tasks?
  • participating the future online editing of the Encyclopedia of Museum Practice?

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გმადლობთ! Thank you!

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