The Digital Agenda for Europe and open data in the cultural sector

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Data policies and linked open data Do we understand each other?

- Open data policies underpin the re-use of data and content from the public sector

- Linked open data not widely understood by policy makers and data holders (yet)

  - Need for showcases, stories, reaching out

- Barriers to open data fully understood by the open data community?

- Working in the same direction + possibilities to team up

  - But: Interoperability issues between 'tech speak', 'policy speak', 'content owners speak'

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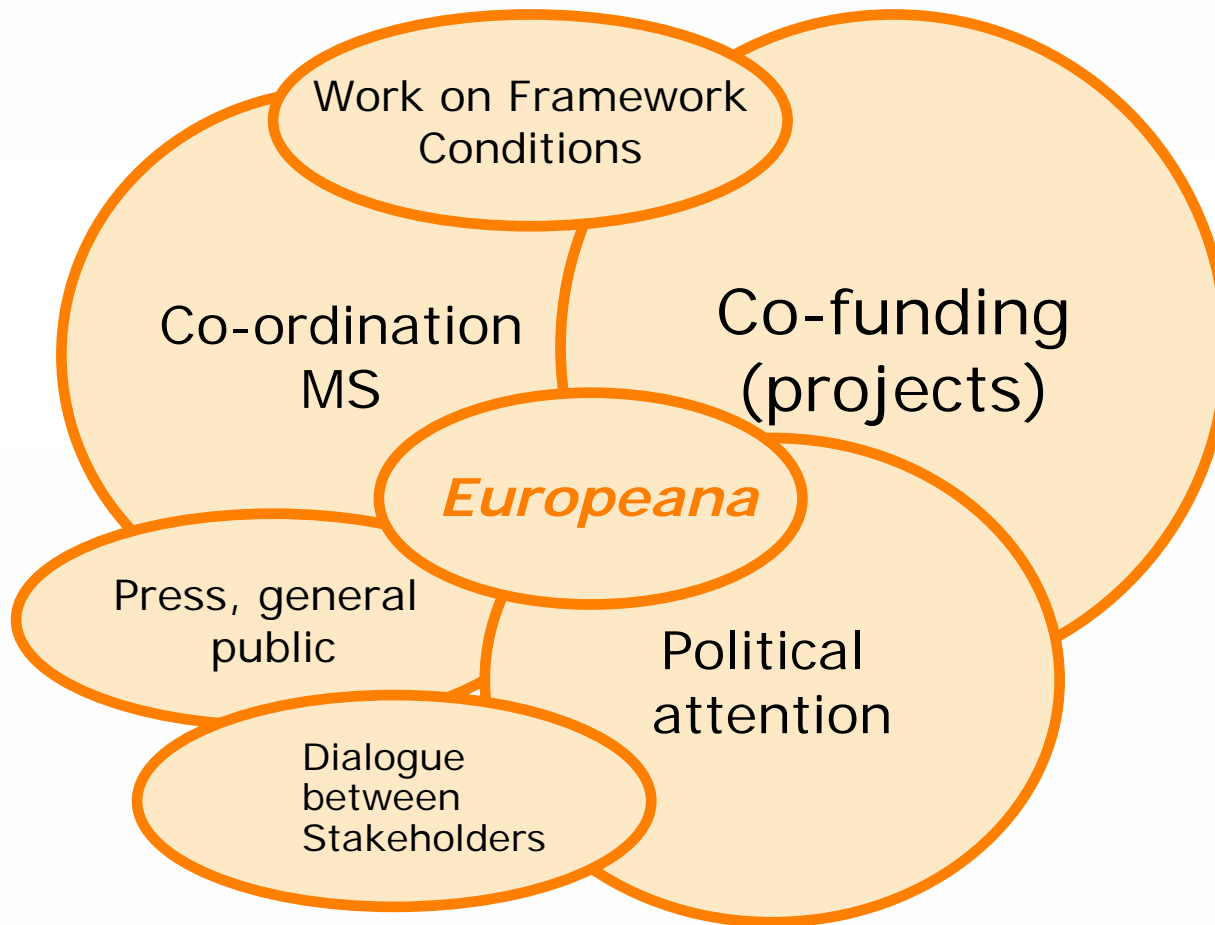NIEUW AMSTERDAM OFTE NUE NIEUW IORX OPT T.EYLANT MAN

Why Europeana: Scale matters

- Online offer of digitised content from libraries fragmented
  - Not always easy to find
  - Not well indexed by search engines
- Critical mass + network effects matter
- Europeana provides necessary scale
  - 1.500 organisations; > 15 million digitised objects
  - Concrete project rallies political support

'Europeana effect' Joining up the pieces of the jigsaw

Cultural institutions in the digital age, the deer-hunt dilemma

Open data strategy and cultural material

Barriers to the availability and re-use of cultural material:

- Money: Budget cuts will reinforce the tendency to charge...

- Why open up data in the first place?
  – Don't understand the benefits
  – Don't want to

- Different sectors have different traditions

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Europeana in the open data debate

- Public domain charter

- Agreements with content providers

    – Clauses about metadata

- Hackathons, 5 different events

    – Showcasing the potential, presentation at the Digital Assembly

- Experiment with linked open data

Next steps

- Digital Assembly (16-17 June)

  – Major workshop on open data

- Preparation of the review of the Directive on Public Sector information

  – Proposal foreseen for end 2011

- Sustainable funding model for Europeana

- Commission document on digitisation and Europeana

  – Opportunities for the re-use of cultural material

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Conclusion

- Open data is a central element in the Digital Agenda

- Range of measures to improve the availability and use of data

    - Including from the cultural sector

- Europeana is not just a project!

- Can we better join up our efforts?

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