COST Action IS1310: Reassembling the Republic of Letters
Conference Programme

Sunday 22nd – Monday 23rd March 2015, St Anne's College, University of Oxford

This conference is part of a multi-faceted event combining Working Group meetings and a public-facing two-day conference, with the aim of providing all participants with a comprehensive and up-to-date understanding of current developments relevant to the network. Running alongside these, a digital humanities Training School will induct newcomers into the current state of the field. The conference is composed of a series of brief 'flash presentations', which present problems or developing solutions relevant to some of the key items in each Working Group's agenda.

Sunday 22nd March

10.30 – 12.00: *Training School Introduction, <u>trainees only</u> (Mary Ogilvie Lecture Theatre)*

11.00 – 12.00: *Steering Group Meeting, <u>invitation only</u> (seminar room 6)*

12.00 – 13.00: Conference registration and buffet lunch (Mary Ogilvie Foyer and Dining Hall)

13.15 – 13.35: *Introduction to the Conference: Howard Hotson (Mary Ogilvie Lecture Theatre)*

13.35 – 14.00: *Introduction to 'the Republic of Letters': Dirk van Miert (Mary Ogilvie Lecture Theatre)*

14.00 – 16.00: *Time and Place (Mary Ogilvie Lecture Theatre)*

- Introductory remarks: Ian Gregory
- Research questions and cognate projects: Patricia Murrieta-Flores, Oyvind Eide, Howard Hotson (tbc)
- Metadata standards and authorities for spatial and temporal data: Robert McNamee
- Spatial data and metadata within text corpora: Ian Gregory, Claire Grover
- Mapping and other visualisation options: Nicole Coleman

16.00 – 16.30: Tea and Coffee break

16.30 – 18.30: *People and Networks (Mary Ogilvie Lecture Theatre)*

- Introductory remarks: Eero Hyvönen
- Identifying research questions for Working Group 2: Ruth Ahnert and Sebastian Ahnert
- Representing prosopographical data for problem solving: Tanya Gray Jones
- Electronic data resources for Working Group 2: Eetu Mäkelä

- Tools for data and ontology creation, reconciliation, data fusion, and publishing: Eetu Mäkelä and Eero Hyvönen
- Discussion and next steps

19.00 – 21.00: Optional Conference Dinner (Dining Hall)

Monday 23rd March

8.45 – 10.45: *Texts and Topics (Mary Ogilvie Lecture Theatre)*

- Introductory remarks: Charles van den Heuvel
- Coding Text: Pip Wilcox
- Text Editions and Shared Canvas: Neil Jefferies
- Natural Language Processing and Topic Modelling: Stefan Trausan-Matu
- CKCC and the ePistolarium: Charles van den Heuvel
- From Digital to print: Otfried Czaika
- Virtual Research Environments: Gertjan Filarski

10.45 – 11.15: Tea and Coffee break

11.15 – 13.15: *Documents and Collections (Mary Ogilvie Lecture Theatre)*

- Introductory remarks: Elizabethanne Boran
- How to access collections in Sweden: Per Cullhed
- How to access collections in Denmark: Ivan Boserup
- Lithuania: How to access collections locally and internationally: Axel Walter
- How to access collections in Poland: Patryck Sapala
- How to access collections in the Austrian National Library: Andreas Fingernagel
- How to access collections in Hungary: Noemi Viskolc
- How to access collections in Spain: Antonio Davila Pérez
- How to access collections in Portugal: Vanda Anastacio

13.15 – 14.15: Buffet lunch (Dining Hall)

14.15 – 16.15: *Data Exchange and Strategic Planning (Mary Ogilvie Lecture Theatre)*

- Introductory remarks: Thomas Stäcker
- Generating large quantities of digital catalogue records - Scanning and Keying: Michael Popham

- Generating large quantities of digital catalogue records - crowd-sourcing catalogue metadata: Victoria van Hyning
- Unique identifier scheme for individual letters - utility and prospects: Neven Jovanovic (tbc)
- Examples of web-mounted archives of printed and manuscript correspondence: Gregor Pobezin
- Digitizing learned correspondence - creating a master plan of distributed digitization: Karen Skovgaard-Petersen
- Sharing digital metadata - possible scholarly conventions for quoting portions of text: Jeanne De Landtsheer
- Sharing digital metadata - brief introduction to Open Access policies for metadata, images, documents, and full digital editions: István Monok (tbc)
- Recruiting contributions: Howard Hotson
- Preservation and sustainability: Zeljka Salopek

16.15 – 16.45: Tea and Coffee break

16.45 – 18.45: *Working Group 6: Visualisation and Communication (Mary Ogilvie Lecture Theatre)*
- Introductory remarks - why visualisation is important: Paolo Ciuccarelli
- Existing tools and approaches - an overview: Giorgio Uboldi
- Data visualisation and information design for humanistic inquiries - four perspectives: Paolo Ciuccarelli (chair), Nicole Coleman, Marian Doerk, Glauco Mantegari and Min Chen
- Communication within the scholarly community: Giorgio Uboldi and Howard Hotson
- Communication with broader publics: Howard Hotson

19.00 – 21.00: Optional buffet dinner (Ruth Deech building foyer)

Tuesday 24th March

Working Group meetings: only open to Working Group members and invited affiliates.

Training School hands on sessions: only open to trainees/trainers.

Wednesday 25th March

Management Committee meeting: only open to Management Committee members and approved substitutes.

Training School hands on sessions: only open to trainees/trainers.