

Working with national bibliographic databases for research output

Workshop by and for practitioners

ECOOM-Antwerp is pleased to announce a workshop on work practices surrounding national bibliographic databases to be held in **September 10-11 in Antwerp, Belgium**.

Deadline to submit an abstract: May 15

Deadline to register: June 30

The main purpose of this workshop is to bring together people who are directly involved in the maintenance of national bibliographic databases and exchange experience on various aspects of this work. Special focus of this workshop is challenges (and ways to address them) in data collection and processing.

Goals in context

We hope this workshop will, first of foremost, serve as a networking site for operators of national bibliographic databases for research output. In broader terms, this workshop aims to facilitate identification of a variety of practices that can be used to address challenges which inevitably are present when operating a nation-wide database.

The workshop is organised in alignment with the agenda of the COST Action 'European Network for Research Evaluation in the Social Sciences and the Humanities' (ENRESSH, www.enressh.eu). In ENRESSH one of the goals is to design a best practices manual for research database developers. Towards this goal, the workshop will serve as the basis for:

- An overview of good practices in the maintenance of national bibliographic databases for research output.
- A programme of a training school on national bibliographic databases for research output in the social sciences and humanities, organised within ENRESSH.

Format

The programme of the workshop entails presentations on several national bibliographic databases as well as experience exchange sessions devoted to data collection and processing.

Participation

Participation in the workshop is possible with or without a presentation.

We welcome general presentations (20 minutes) on experience operating a national bibliographic database as well as presentations focused on a specific encountered challenge and the way how the challenge was addressed. Such challenges can be (but are not limited to):

- Identification of scholarly publications
- Integration of data from different sources
- Metadata accuracy control
- Classification of research output in the social sciences and the humanities
- Collaboration with stakeholders (e.g. researchers, governmental organisations).

For presentations, please, submit an abstract of around 250 words along with your registration.

For experience exchange sessions, we welcome suggestions of challenges of special interest to be discussed during the workshop (free format).

Registration

Register to the workshop and submit your abstract (and/or suggestions of challenges) by sending an e-mail to Linda Sile: linda.sile[at]uantwerpen.be. Please, include in your e-mail:

- your full name and affiliation,
- the name of the database you are working with,
- a note on your participation in the event dinner (as well as dietary restrictions).

Please, keep in mind that the number of participants we can host is limited. Therefore, we encourage to register to the workshop as soon as possible. In case the number of interested people exceeds the maximum number we can host, we will give priority to people operating national bibliographic databases.

Venue and fees

The workshop will be hosted at the University of Antwerp (in Antwerp, Belgium). Details about the venue will follow shortly.

Participation in the workshop is free of charge. Pay-for-yourself dinner: around 40 EUR.

Key dates

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For further information contact Linda Sile, linda.sile@uantwerpen.be