

The first half of the REACH project has been intense and fruitful. During this period, we have built a series of cooperative arrangement and enlarged the REACH network to involve a greater number of professionals and stakeholders within the field of Cultural Heritage.

We are pleased to share some of the project's main initiatives. International workshops:



**Daring Participation** 

The first workshop took place in Berlin on 20th and 21st November 2018, entitled "Daring Participation" It was organised by the Institute for Museum Research/Institut für Museumsforschung (SMB-PK) and focused on "institutional heritage". 25 invited experts from different institutions (museums, archives, ministries, libraries and associations) met to present their participatory activities and to discuss their experiences and the value of participatory management of cultural heritage. The topics covered different areas of work (exhibitions, conservation and education) and various participatory practices (cocreation, out-reach and digital/analogue.



<u>Creativity and</u> <u>entrepreneurship</u>

The second workshop was organised in Coventry on 12th March 2019 by Coventry University and was dedicated to participatory approaches for creativity and entrepreneurship. It offered a great opportunity to explore best practices on participatory approaches in the (re-)use of content and places within the sphere of cultural heritage. Participants investigated the value of creative participation, (re-)use and entrepreneurship in terms of research advancement and social innovation, as well as its impact on the public.

Moreover, a year after the launch of the European Year of Cultural Heritage (EYCH), the REACH Social Platform organised a two-day event in Brussels on 20th and 21st March 2019 hosted by the European Commission:

## Horizon For Heritage Research Symposium and Policy Debate



REACH provided the secretariat and its online platform to support the organisation of the meeting and coordinated the follow-up actions. The objectives of the event were to discuss and reflect upon:

• the legacy of the European Year of Cultural Heritage, consider the needs and benefits of a joint coordination effort and prepare the next steps to be taken

 the actions to be taken for the establishment of the European Cluster It included:

- a Symposium entitled "Horizons for Heritage Research Towards a Cluster on Cultural Heritage", its purpose was to provide the basis for the creation and the sustainability of a research stakeholder cluster for Cultural Heritage.
- a Policy Debate during which top European policy-makers, together with research stakeholders, reflected on the results achieved and perspectives for European funded research and innovation within the field of cultural heritage and for cultural and creative industries.

The event was hosted by MEP Christian Ehler, rapporteur of the Horizon Europe proposal in the European Parliament, and co-organised with the European Commission.

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