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Discovering high-quality cultural heritage data online

Europeana is the European Commission's platform for digital heritage, and works with thousands of European archives, libraries and museums to share digital cultural heritage collections available for enjoyment, education and research.

The Europeana website gives access to millions of photos, books, music, artworks and more – with sophisticated search and filter tools, and a wealth of online exhibitions, galleries and blogs to inform and inspire. The cultural heritage collections are shared in Europeana by trusted partners and the good quality of the data is a priority for enabling users to enjoy and possibly reuse the content in a safe environment.

Photoconsortium, one of the accredited aggregator for Europeana, supports data partners in sharing their content in Europeana at its best to increase the visibility of their cultural collections online, and collaborates with Europeana Foundation to showcase these collections and explore possibilities of reuse.

Supporting content holders in matching Europeana's high-quality requirements for data and metadata, also considering the institutions' sharing models and practice, is the core mission of Photoconsortium, together with promoting the collections and their reuse in other projects, educational initiatives, research and dissemination.

Following this effort, access and re-use of high quality contents are at the core of EU-financed projects that Photoconsortium and its members participate in.

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Europeana case study: CRDI Girona high quality collections

The Centre for Image Research and Diffusion of the Ajuntament de Girona (CRDI) has been a content



Reusing collections in education: Photoconsortium and Historiana

Photoconsortium partnered with Euroclio, the international association of history teachers, to offer selected provider of heritage photography collections in Europeana since 2012. The collections published by CRDI in Europeana grew to a considerable amount of 400,000 records, of which today over 150,000 photographic top quality records are available for visitors' consultation and reuse.

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visual content available for educational reuse.
Ready-made and customizable eLearning activities, based on historical photographic heritage, are available to anyone via Historiana, the on-line educational tool that helps teachers in reusing open access cultural heritage materials in the classroom.

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