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## 1 Introduction and background

As outlined in the European Holocaust Research Infrastructure (EHRI) *Publicity & Dissemination Strategy*, the key objectives of work package (WP) 8 are to "position the project", "to explain its scope and potential impact", "to stimulate active take up and use of EHRI", "to disseminate results to key stakeholders and users" and "to explain the value and promote integration of research infrastructures".<sup>1</sup>

A series of publications is a key ingredient in achieving these objectives. By publishing the background, objectives and results of our work in suitable formats across a variety of outlets that target all of the project's stakeholders, we ensure appropriate dissemination of EHRI's mission and its scholarly achievements.

The present deliverable gives an account of our publication activities across the project, from October 2010 to March 2015. It contains details of EHRI-related publications across four different formats and media: articles published on the EHRI website and in EHRI newsletters; formal publications in magazines and various scholarly outlets; presentations of papers at conferences; and the organisation of major conferences and other events.

The details provided here demonstrate that EHRI has been very successful in publishing across all of the main research areas in which it is active: history, archival science and e-Research. They also indicate that we have sought to reach general interest readers and highly-specialised domain experts alike with our publications. The high proportion of publications featuring multiple authors from different institutions, finally, goes to show that EHRI's efforts to foster new relationships among different institutions and disciplinary areas are bearing fruit.

The publications listed in this deliverable have been authored by members across the EHRI consortium with WP8 fulfilling a co-ordinating function.

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<sup>1</sup> Tellegen, Jan Willem "D8.1 Publicity & dissemination Strategy", *EHRI Deliverable D8.1*, June 2011.

## 2 EHRI website and newsletters

The EHRI website and newsletter have been used extensively to disseminate short and concise information. Website content has been targeted at all three subject communities and has been tailored toward both general readers and specialists.

The website at [www.ehri-project.eu](http://www.ehri-project.eu) has been online since the start of the project in October 2010. It has been regularly updated with information about the project's aims and objectives, news items detailing progress and announcements about EHRI events and surveys. The website has been a very successful dissemination channel, attracting more than 1,700 unique visitors in February 2015.

We have periodically sent out EHRI newsletters providing a summary of new website content to a contact list of more than 1,500 recipients. Since the first issue in January 2011, we have produced 15 newsletters. In addition, four expert newsletters supplementing the interdisciplinary workshops organised by work package 6 have been produced: "Holocaust Victims' Names" (February 2012); "Holocaust Testimonies" (May 2013); "Physical and Digital Preservation of Holocaust Documentation" (March/April 2015); "Holocaust Art - an Essential Tool for the Methodology of Constructing a Historical Narrative" (March/April 2015).

Since October 2013, EHRI has also used its own dedicated Twitter account (@EHRIproject). It has since attracted 400 followers and issued in excess of 550 tweets.

## 3 Articles in magazines journals, conference proceedings, edited books

Short overview articles aimed at general interest readers and published in magazines and newsletters, as well as formal specialist publications in journals, edited books, and conference proceedings are a particular focus of our current activities.

The list below contains detail of papers that have already been published or are in press.

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Benardou, Agiatis, Panos Constantopoulos, and Costis Dallas. "An Approach to Analyzing Working Practices of Research Communities in the Humanities." *International Journal of Humanities and Arts Computing* 7, no. 1-2 (2013).

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## 4 Conference papers

Papers read at conferences in the areas of archival science, history and e-research is another important publication avenue for EHRI. In addition to major contributions to conferences detailed below, members of the consortium have also been very active in presenting EHRI's work at meetings of steering committees and working groups of a host of relevant institutions, organisations and projects such as the Academic Working Group of the International Holocaust Remembrance Alliance, the Association of Memorial Sites Libraries, Dasish and DARIAH-EU.

Anderson, Sheila. "Keynote address." In *KVAN-dagen*. Amsterdam: Annual conference of the Koninklijke Vereniging van Archivarissen in Nederland/Royal Society of Dutch Archivists, 2013.

Anderson, Sheila, Veerle Vanden Daelen, and Reto Speck. "Transcending the Archive? The Digital Environment as a Force for Change." In *Annual Conference of the International Council of Archives: Accountability, Transparency and Access to Information*. Brussels, 2013.

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- Speck, Reto, and Petra Links. "Research infrastructures and archival inter-mediation." In *Building infrastructures for archives in a digital world*. Dublin: APEx, 2013.
- Vanden Daelen, Veerle. "Connecting Collections, Institutions & Researchers." In *ITF pre-conference New Directions in Holocaust Research with a special emphasis on Educational applicability*. Brussels Palais d'Egmont, 2012.
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## 5 Organisation of workshops and conferences

EHRI has organised an extensive and wide ranging programme of workshops over the course of the project's duration. These workshops have targeted all the subject communities that are relevant to the project and have been widely attended both by subject experts and by members of the interested public. Details of EHRI's workshop programme are available on the project website (see <http://www.ehri-project.eu/events>)

In addition, EHRI has organised three major conferences:

Together with DARIAH and TextGrid, EHRI co-organised a major international conference on the "*Public History of the Holocaust*", which took place in Berlin on 9 July 2013. The conference brought together policy makers and researchers to discuss the challenges for historical research on the Holocaust in the age of the internet, and the possibilities of meeting these challenges through new forms of digital research infrastructures (see <http://www.ehri-project.eu/public-history-holocaust> for details).

EHRI WP7 ("Expanding EHRI") organised an international conference on "Holocaust Documentation in Eastern Europe", which took place in Krakow on 20-21 May 2014. The conference brought together researchers and archivists. It addressed the challenges researchers and collection holders face when undertaking research on the Holocaust in Eastern Europe (see <http://ehri-project.eu/krakow-ehri-conference-holocaust-documentation-eastern-europe> for details).

We are currently organising a final conference dedicated to a presentation of the EHRI Infrastructure. The event will take place on 26 March 2015 at the Berlin-Brandenburgische Akademie der Wissenschaften. The event will bring together European politicians, renowned Holocaust researchers, archivists, representatives from the Digital Humanities, digital infrastructure and educational experts to discuss EHRI's achievements and to reflect on the impact of EHRI on the future of Holocaust research and memory (see <http://ehri-project.eu/26-march-berlin-ehri-presents-results> for more details).