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DIGITAL PAST 2021 Conference hosts 'Saving Collective Visual History' workshop by Photoconsortium



Digital Past is an annual two-day conference organised by the Royal Commission on the Ancient and Historical Monuments of Wales. It showcases innovative digital technologies and techniques for data capture, interpretation and dissemination of the heritage of Wales, the UK and beyond.

This year, the conference will be run on line: one day of presented talks on Wednesday 10 February will be supplemented by workshops across the week of 8 to 12 February 2021.

The conference aims to promote learning, discussion and debate around a range of digital technologies in current use, or in development, to record and understand the historic environment.

In this context, **Photoconsortium, the International Consortium for Photographic Heritage**, will bring its contribute by holding a 1-hour capacity building workshop entitled ?**Saving Collective Visual History**? to share experiences and lessons learnt for visual collections' preservation, digitization and digital transformation.

Collections of analogue material that depict our collective visual history is deteriorating, with urgent need of saving for future generations. It is hard to save the analogue and the only way to preserve this heritage is through digitization. However, this latter is costly and time consuming and archives are forced by budget and time constraints to prioritize which objects to digitise; unfortunately this does not always correspond to the deterioration rate of the original object. The workshop will face this topic and speakers from private companies and public bodies will discuss the issues and solutions encountered by public and private photographic archives **to leverage digital technologies for preservation and enhancement of heritage photographs.** This discussion is aimed at institutions dedicated to cultural heritage

The workshop will be hold by Valentina Bachi (Photoconsortium), John Balean (TopFoto), Antonella Fresa (Promoter SRL) and Fred Truyen (KU Leuven).

8th February 2021 h. 14.00-15.00 UK, i.e. 15.00-16.00 CET

Registration available at https://rcahmw.gov.uk/about-us/digital-past-conference/registration-2021/

The event is free of charge.

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Photoconsortium website: https://www.photoconsortium.net/

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