# Linked Heritage Fifth Plenary meeting in Italy





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On 6, 7 and 8 March, Padua hosted a plenary meeting between the partners of Linked Heritage, the project founded by the European Union in order to increase the quantity and quality of the content provided to Europeana - the great European digital library - from the public and private sectors.
The three days event has been hosted at the Emeroteca Cà Borin, the newspaper library that collects about 600 printed journals on open shelves.
The Plenary was opened with the national workshop **"Il patrimonio culturale digitale verso Europeana e CulturaItalia: aspetti tecnici e metodologia"**, addressed to librarians, museum curators, archivists, and experts in the field of culture. The meeting, in addition to focusing on the key issues of the project, was an opportunity to describe the experience of **CulturaItalia** as a national aggregator.



There were also two trainings: one concerning **MINT**, a new open-source web application to facilitate the dataflow to Europeana, and the other concerning a **set of learning objects** made ??in order to facilitate the understanding and the dissemination of the key concepts of the Digital Library.
The second-day meeting was divided into two sessions: in the morning there were two different technical meetings devoted to the individual working groups; the afternoon session was dedicated to the first part of the plenary meeting including the "State of the art

of the project" (presentation by the project coordinator **Dr. Rossella Caffo**) and the status of the Work Packages. At the end of the presentations, the partners had the opportunity to visit some very interesting hystorical places of Padova (as the "Teatro Anatomico" and the "Cattedra di Galileo") before completing the day with a relaxing Social Dinner.



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The last day meeting was opened with the presentation of Dr. Antonella Fresa (Technical Coordinator) on the Status of the activities and the planning of the last months of the project (the project will close at the end of September). WP leaders completed the exposition on the Status of their Work Packages and the Plenary meeting was closed in the afternoon with the last Working Group. All the preminent topics have been addressed: interoperability, workflow, open data, multilingualism, e-learning, dissemination with depth and useful discussions and in a a spirit of true and profitable collaboration.
A complete report of the meeting coming soon...

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