

NALIS Forum 2015 successfully concluded



The fourth international forum, organised by the **NALIS Foundation** with the support of **America for Bulgaria Foundation**, took place on **12 May 2015** in **Sofia**, at the **Radisson Blu Grand Hotel Sofia**. This year the event, entitled **'The Challenge to Collaborate in the Digital Age'**, was dedicated to the large library consortia.



Jo Rademakers, Director of LIBIS, the Belgian library network (Photo: E.Voleva)

Special guests were: delegates of the **Ministry of Education and Ministry of Culture**; members of the Parliament and other official guests; representatives of the **NALIS Foundation**, its founders and associates; representatives from libraries and universities; museums; NGOs (non-governmental organisations) and other cultural organisations. Among them **Antonella Fresca** from Promoter SRL, participating as invited speaker with a talk on **digitisation, creative re-use of cultural content and citizen participation**. In order to validate the sociological impact of digital cultural heritage and technologies, Fresca presented some of the successful projects Promoter and NALIS were involved in (in particular [EuropeanaPhotography](#), giving life to the Photoconsortium Association) and added some words about the ongoing EU projects [E-Space](#), [Civic Epistemologies](#) and [RICHERS](#), whereof Promoter is taking care with the role of Technical Coordinator/Communication & Dissemination Manager. [[download Fresca's presentation](#)]



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The event was opened by **Vanya Kastreva**, Deputy Minister of Education, and **Carl H. Pforzheimer III**, Co-Chairman of the America for Bulgaria Foundation. The lecturers were representatives of leading libraries/library networks and cultural organisations from Europe and the US, who shared their experience in local and global collaboration (not only within the library community, but also within the IT community) in the framework of projects involving the digitisation of cultural heritage, creative re-use of digitised cultural contents and citizen participation.



Antonella Fresa, Promoter SRL (Photo: E.Voleva)

After the conference, the lecturers went for a pleasant sightseeing in the old Sofia.

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