The Europeana Research Grants Programme 2017 awards a Roma cultural heritage project



In 2017 the **Europeana Research Grants Programme** collected research proposals all over Europe connected to the theme of intercultural dialogue.

Three projects has been chosen within more than 60 proposals and one of them is focused on the Roma identity and cultural preservation.

The project creators, **Dr.Caterina Preda** is an assistant Professor at the Faculty of Political Science, University of Bucharest in Romania.

"The project provides a web platform, which includes the visual representations of the Roma of the Romanian territories as they appear in the Europeana collection in the nineteenth and twentieth centuries depictions. This web-platform will be used as a didactic tool in the classroom, in high school and university level courses. The research investigates the ways in which the stereotypical repetitive representations of the Roma help explain the current underprivileged situation of this community in Europe and in Romania in particular. The project argues for a more balanced and comprehensive understanding of a largely unknown history by using visual representations taken from the archives of the libraries, which are included in the Europeana collections."

More information on <u>Caterina Preda</u> <u>The winners of Europeana Research Grants Programme 2017</u>