Linked Heritage and AthenaPlus projects for Europeana

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ICCU

The Central Institute for the Union Catalogue of Italian Libraries

➢ is the national center which promotes and coordinates **cataloguing and digitisation** activities of the Italian libraries

➢ is a body of the Italian Ministry for cultural heritage and activities

➢ is responsible for guiding, producing, adapting and disseminating the standard rules for cataloguing and digitisation of the library heritage

➢ is committed for the implementation of European digitisation projects (cross-domain approach)

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ICCU Department and activities

**2 services
and 6 departments**

1. Administrative Service
2. Service for the cultural promotion
3. ICT service

Projects:
- Internet Culturale
- CulturaItalia
- Europeana (Italian partic.)
- World Digital Library (Italian partic.)
- European projects

1. Standards rules for cataloguing and digitisation
2. National Library Service (SBN) 5000 libraries
3. Bibliographic information and activities, Registry of the Italian libraries
4. Digitisation and access to documents
5. Activities concerning bibliography, cataloguing and census of the ancient book held by the Italian libraries
6. Census and management of the data base of manuscripts held by the Italian libraries

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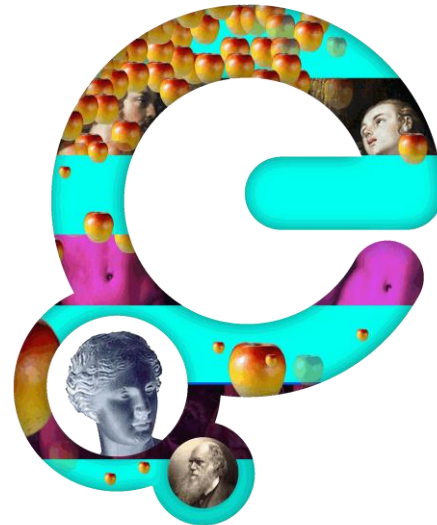# European projects towards Europeana with ICCU participation
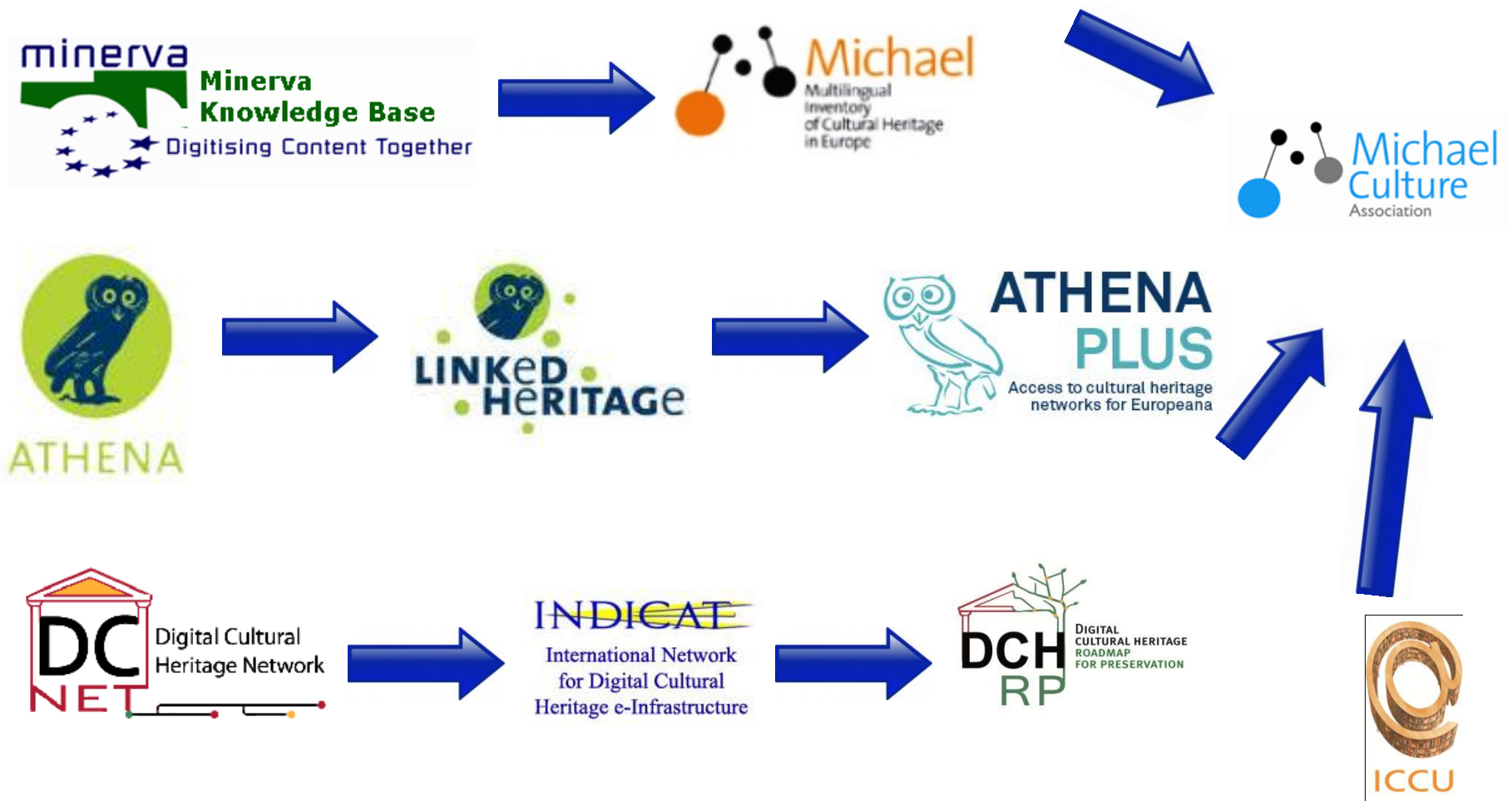
A coordination activity started in 2002

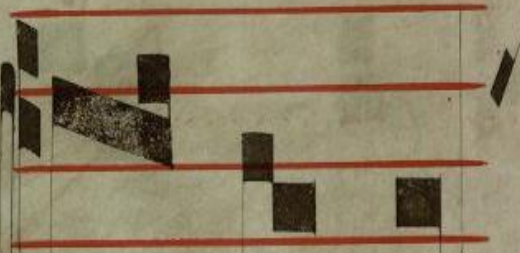## A European network cooperating since more than 10 years In the field of cultural heritage

ATHENA
Best practice network

ATHENA (2008-2011)

Coordinated by ICCU

Network of European Museums

Consortium:

20 Member States + Russia + Israel

More than 150 museums and other memory institutions

ATHENA provided
4 millions data to Europeana becoming the first aggregator

Main results
Harvesting format LIDO
Aggregation tool MINT

eContentplus

ATHENA
Access to cultural heritage networks across Europe

ACCESS TO
CULTURAL HERITAGE
NETWORKS
ACROSS EUROPE

www.athenaeurope.org

A bridge to Europeana for European museums

**Linked Heritage
Best practice
network**

Linked Heritage (2011-2013)

Coordinated by ICCU

Consortium:

39 partners from 20 Member States
+ Israel and Russia

Ministries and government agencies,
GLAMs, aggregators, research centres,
publishers, SMEs.

Main goal:
3 millions data to Europeana
from intersectoral memory institutions

Linked Heritage (2011-2013)
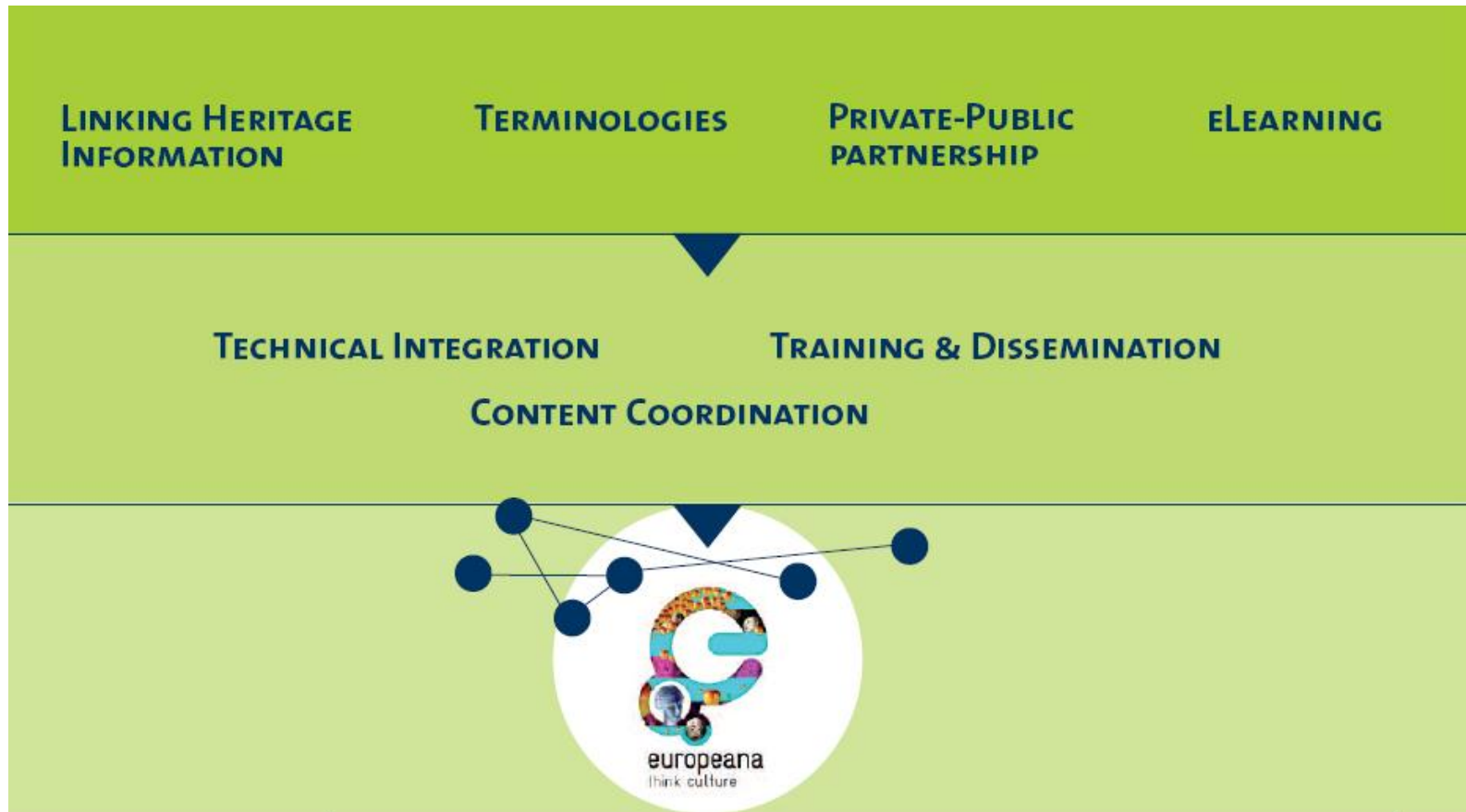
Linked Heritage (2011-2013)

➢ Improvement of the aggregation platform MINT and aggregation workflow

➢ Linked data to support more expressive semantic processing

➢ Prototype of a Terminology Management Platform for managing Multilingual and cross-domain terminologies to improve access and retrieval of cultural objects within Europeana

➢ Persistent identifiers for preventing duplicate records and broken links

➢ Engagement with the private sector and remediation of their metadata via Europeana

➢ Training programme and creation of learning objects about the most relevant topics of the project

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AthenaPlus Best Practice Network

AthenaPlus (2013-2015)

Coordinated by ICCU

Consortium:

40 partners from 21 Member States

Ministries and government agencies, GLAMs, aggregators, research centres, SMEs.

Main goal:
3,6 millions data to Europeana
80% from museums

ATHENA PLUS
Access to cultural heritage
networks for Europeana

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AthenaPlus (2013-2015)
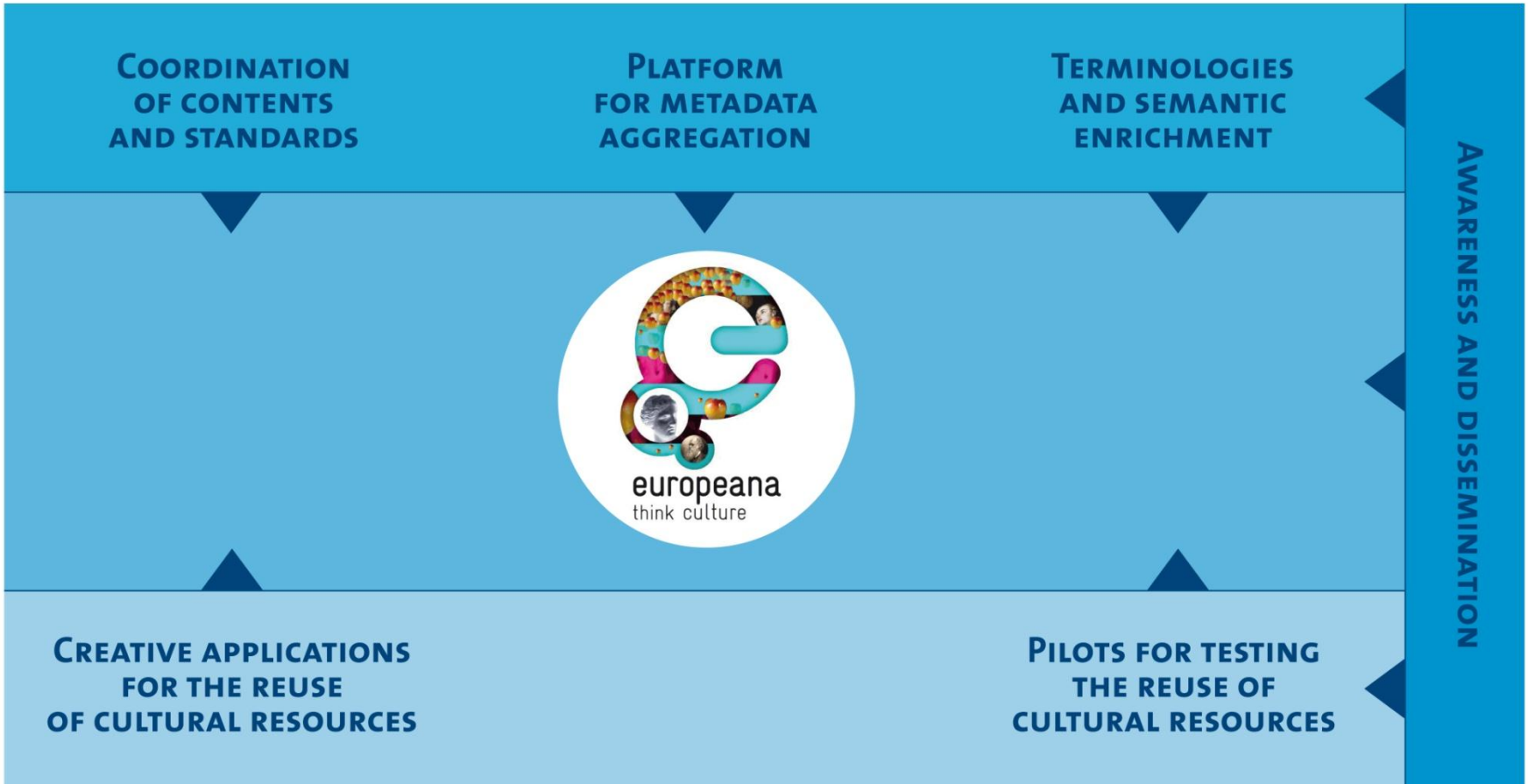
AthenaPlus (2013-2015)

- Improvement of the aggregation platform MINT

- Semantic enrichment of cultural metadata with Linked Data

- Implementation of the Terminology Management Platform that will serve as an archive of terminologies for the cultural heritage sector

- Development of creative applications for cultural content

- Pilots for testing the creative use of cultural contents (digital exhibitions, tourist routes, education, GIS)

- Networking and training in the Europeana ecosystem

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Outputs, results and more…
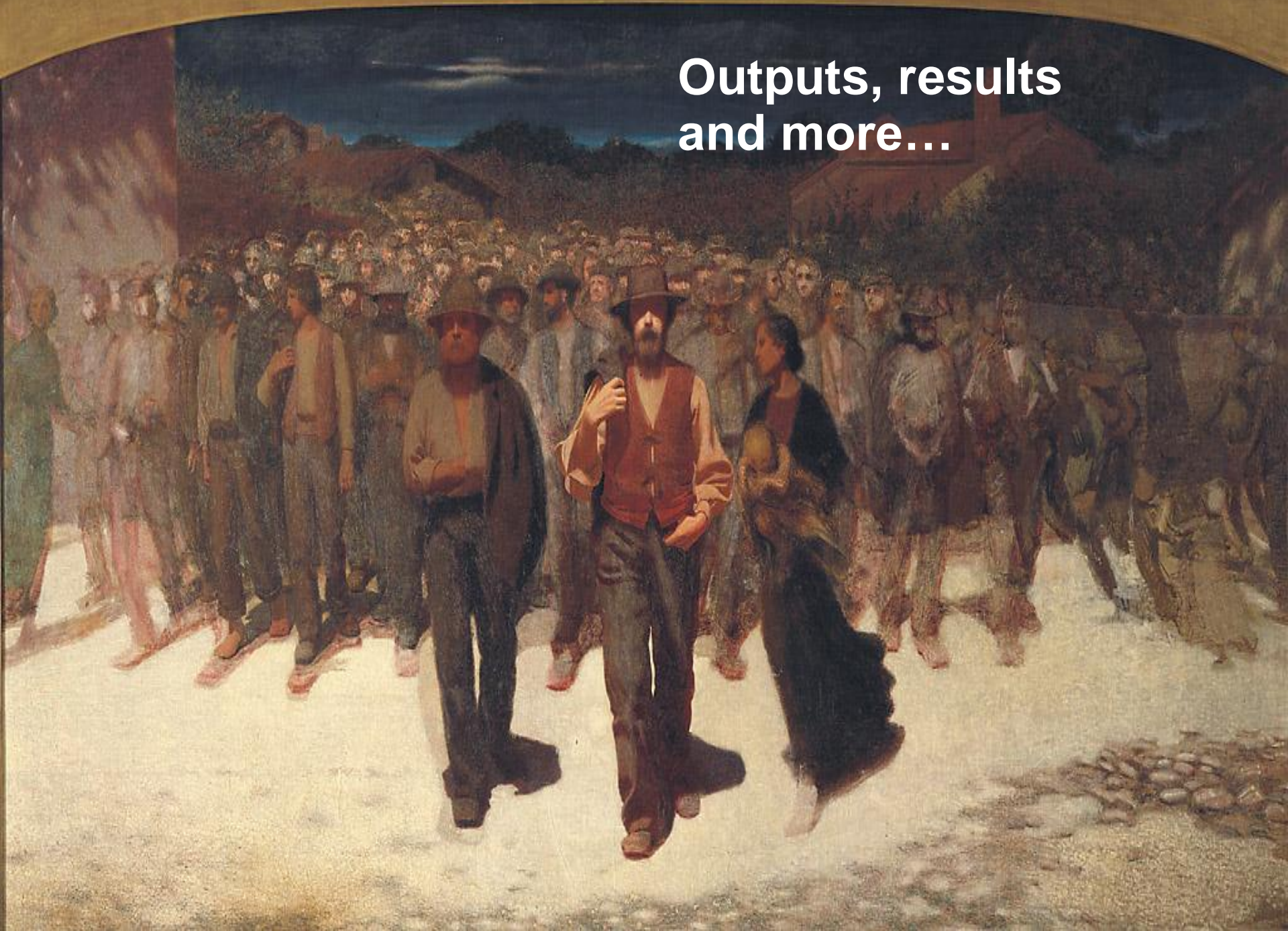
Aggregation expertise

The Workflow
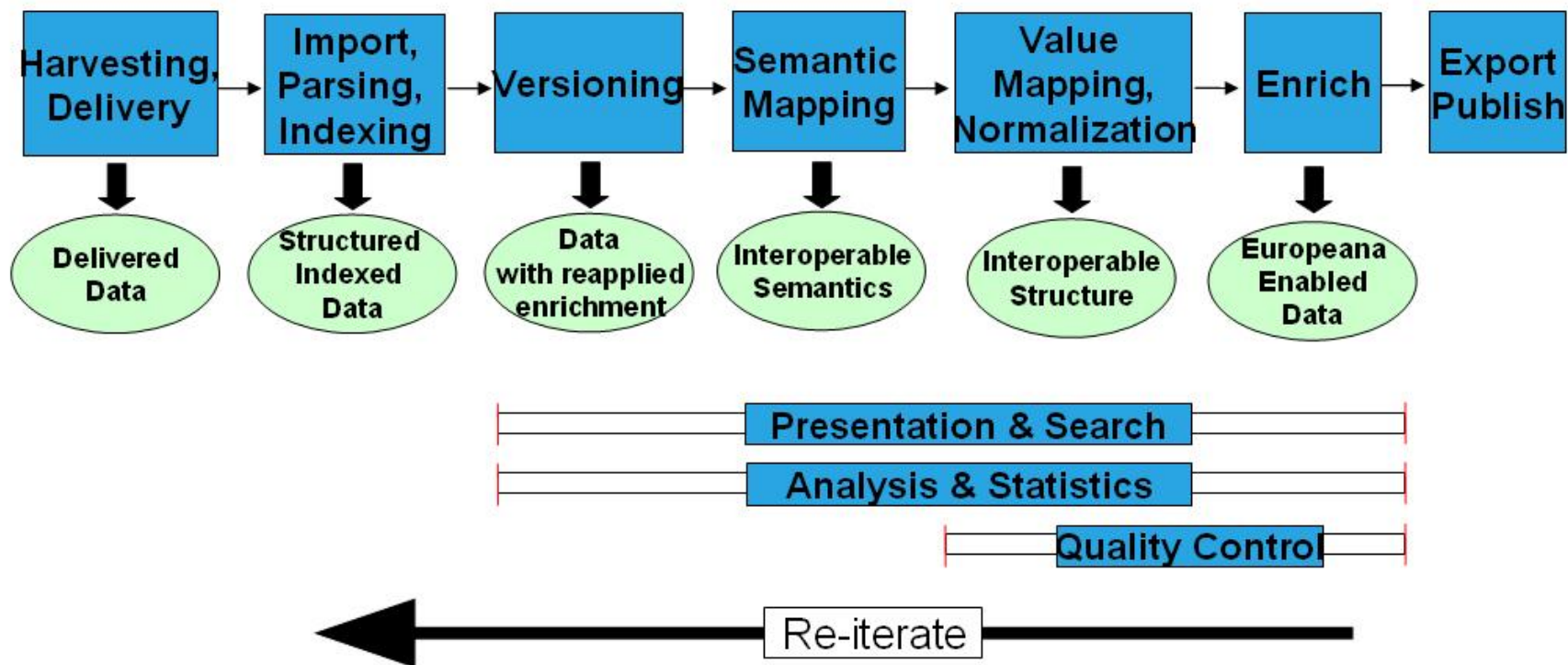
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Tools and standards
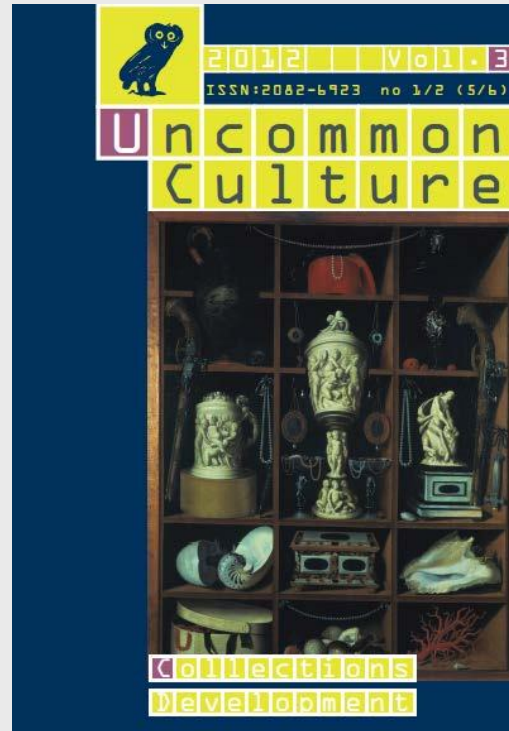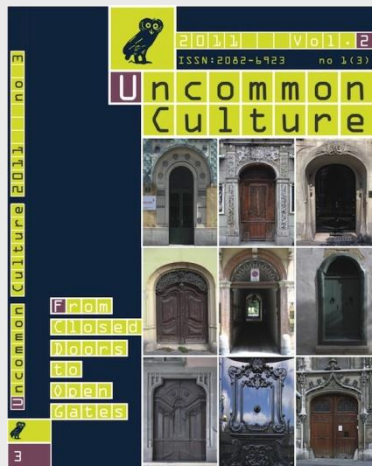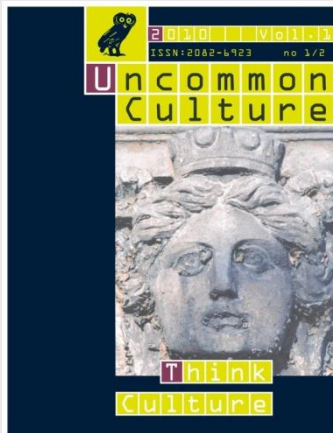
Publications

Uncommon Culture

provides unique perspectives on a rich variety of cultural activities in Europe. Examining cultural institutions and their collections, this magazine gives new insight into diverse cultural activities.

Websites

www.athenaeurope.org

www.linkedheritage.eu

www.athenaplus.eu

Added values

A network that:

➢works and learns together

➢ shares good practices

➢ has a cross-domain approach

➢ grows involving new stakeholders

A community of experts, part of the Europeana ecosystem, contributing to Europeana with content, tools and expertise

Thanks!!

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