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Overview

Three projects end this year. The Open Aire2020 bid was accepted and the project will commence in January 2015. LIBER has submitted five more bids under H2020.

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LIBER's current FP7 funded projects are running smoothly. Three of the FP7 projects (RECODE and Europeana Newspapers, APARSEN) will close in 2015. LIBER has been very busy pursuing project opportunities under the H2020 calls that were identified as relevant in the LIBER paper on H2020. Our first H2020 proposal, OpenAire2020, was submitted in April and had been approved for funding. Since then LIBER has submitted a further five proposals for H2020 funding and one proposal for Erasmus funding.

APARSEN (Alliance Permanent Access to the Records of Science in Europe Network) [APARSEN](#) is in month 48 of 48.

The Virtual Centre of Excellence for Digital Preservation will be launched at the 2014 APA conference October 22-23. LIBER has expended all of its allocated effort in this project. The project comes to an end in January 2015.

Europeana Newspapers

[Europeana Newspapers](#) is now in month 34 of 36.

The project is nearing its finish in good health. Full text searches can be performed in the [TEL Historic Newspapers Browser](#) that was recently updated following usability testing. Europeana is ingesting the metadata of 18 million digitised historic newspaper pages and [an object presentation via TEL](#) is currently embedded. LIBER created [an information video](#) on the benefits of digitised newspapers for researchers, which was widely disseminated. In the third and final year of the project, 8 national information days were aimed at promoting the newspaper browser among researchers. On November 27th the last one takes place in the BnF. On September 29-30th, LIBER organised the final policy workshop in the British Library. It was attended by 70 participants from libraries, research performing institutions, SME's, the EC and publishers. Participants discussed [the value of digitised historic newspapers and the barriers to improving access](#). In the closing period in December all libraries involved in the project will work together to promote the newspaper browser amongst their end-users.

RECODE

[RECODE](#) is in month 20 of 24. ReCODE has held five workshops until now. The fourth workshop (on institutional perspectives) took place on the 1st of July before the LIBER Conference. The final conference will be held from 15-16 January 2015 in Athens, Greece.

Europeana Cloud

[Europeana Cloud](#) is nearly two-thirds of the way through its 36-month lifespan. In recent months, work has focused on developing a governance model and operating guidelines for the Cloud, drawing up communications plans to target researchers, aggregators and other stakeholders and on formulating the functional and content requirements for Europeana Research – a platform for researchers which will be created as part of the



Europeana Cloud project. A first version of Europeana Research will be available by the end of the year.

FOSTER

[FOSTER](#) is now in month 9 of 24. A calendar of international, training events, co-funded by the project is rolling out until December, and a new call has been issued for institutions planning to host training in 2015. These will be selected and confirmed in November. The FOSTER portal, an online hub for the training materials generated at these events, along with existing training materials from the Open Science community, launched in August along with a redesigned website. LIBER is primarily involved in dissemination and liaison work, identifying and facilitating further collaborations that will secure the prominence and impact of the project's outputs. We are also assisting with the organization of doctoral summer schools in Barcelona and Copenhagen, to run in July 2015. We will produce a full liaison report in month 12.

PASTEUR4OA

Now in month 9 of 30, [PASTEUR4OA](#) focuses on the coordination and development of open access policies in Europe. It is led by SPARC Europe, with management by EKT. The Key Node Organisations throughout Europe have been identified on the basis of their institutional profile, record and ability to influence policymaking. They will form the basis for the establishment of a **Knowledge Net** by the end of the project. An analysis of the existing OA policies was carried out using ROARMap as a starting point. LIBER's main responsibility will be to organise the final event. It is hoped that this can be arranged in cooperation with LERU or Science Europe.

OpenAire2020

The project bid for the E-INFRA 2 call for e-infrastructures for open access in partnership with OpenAire has been accepted. The project will commence in January 2015. LIBER will take responsibility for running the open access APC (Gold) Pilot. The work will involve defining an APC payment workflow, setting criteria for funding, and performing an impact evaluation at the end of the pilot.

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