



PROJECTS REPORT (JUNE – SEPTEMBER 2021)

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Highlights

This document serves as a summary of LIBER's project related activities for the period June 2021 - September 2021.

Project Staff & Organisation

- Vasso Kalaitzi has resigned with effect from 1 October 2021. Until a suitable successor is found, the Executive Director will assume her duties.
- Rosie Allison has temporarily taken over the duties as Communications & Engagement Officer from Iris Buunk, who has been on long-term sick leave since June 2021.
- On 7 July 2021, a meeting was held between the Steering Committee chairs, the Head of International Projects and the Executive Director to seek more cooperation between the work of the working groups and that of the projects. It was discussed to inform each other more often and more about the work in progress. It was also agreed that the Head of International Projects would join Steering Committees meetings.

Project Meetings & Evaluations

- 11 June 2021 & 17 September: ELE Project General Assemblée meetings.
- July 2021: The Recreating Europe project delivered its annual activity and progress report.
- 21 September 2021: ReCreating Europe Mid-term review.
- 22 September 2021: INOS 4th Plenary Meeting.
- 23 September 2021: [Knowledge Right 21](#) kick off / launch [website](#). LIBER leads the work package on Communications and will also be invited to make proposals for the work packages on Secondary Publishing Right and Contract Override.
- 5-6 October 2021: SSHOC - 6th Consortium meeting.

Project Activities

- 1 June 2021: ReCreating Europe Workshop - The State of Exceptions & Limitations: Copyright Flexibilities in the EU & Member States.
- 2-4 June 2021: INOS & LIBER WG Citizen Science Workshop series - Integrating Citizen Science at Universities: From 'What' to 'How' (2 workshops).
- 21 June 2021: Recreating Europe Project Web Conference - CDSMD implementation Day. LIBER was represented in the CDSMD web Conference by the chair of the LIBER Copyright and Legal matters working group.
- 6 July 2021: INOS & LIBER WG Citizen Science Workshop - Co-Creating a Roadmap for Capacity Building on Open Science and Citizen Science for Research Libraries.
- 15 October: ORE Webinar - Open Research Europe: the framework, the goals, and the developments.





Ongoing Projects

Acronym	Title	Start date	End date	Total budget	LIBER budget
SSHOC	Social Sciences and Humanities Open Cloud	01.01.2019	30.04.2022	€ 14.455.594	€ 450.937
INOS (KA2 E+)	Integrating Open and Citizen Science into active learning approaches in Higher Education	01.09.2019	31.08.2022	€ 404.980,00	€ 79.797
reCreating Europe	Rethinking digital copyright law for a culturally diverse, accessible, creative Europe	01.01.2019	31.12.2022	€ 3.087.928	€ 311.500
ORE	Open Research Platform	04.09.2020	03.09.2024		€ 136.780
ELE	European Language Equality	01.01.2021	28.02.2022	€ 1.999.971	€ 44.444 (90% reimbursement rate)
MES-CobraD	Multidisciplinary Expert System for the Assessment & Management of Complex Brain Disorders	01.04.2021	31.03.2024	€ 5.656.318	€ 311.750
KR21	Knowledge Rights 21	01-06-2021	31-05-2024	€ 3.000.000	€184.500 (for WP Communications) & additional funding on other WP's



Project proposals (confidential)

CeOS_SE: Citizen-enhanced open science in South European Higher Education knowledge hubs:

An updated proposal with a new consortium was submitted in May 2021. If the proposal gets accepted, LIBER will act as project coordinator in a consortium of 7 LIBER participants.

4 proposals have been submitted in September and October for the following calls:

- HORIZON-INFRA-2021-EOSC-01-01: "Skills4EOSC"
- HORIZON-WIDERA-2021-ERA-01-43: "DIAMAS"
- HORIZON-CL2-2021-HERITAGE-01-02: "LibrarIN"
- HORIZON-CL2-2021-HERITAGE-01-04: "GLAMS"

PROJECTS DATABASE

The next steps regarding the database include:

- Further analysis of results;
- Optimization of procedure and survey for gathering future information, in order to update the Projects Database once per year;
- Identification of future project opportunities, partnerships and involvement of LIBER participants whenever possible

The results of the database have been used in the requested period for the identification of potential proposal partners, as well as for co-organisers and collaborators in current project activities.

A second survey will be conducted in autumn 2021. This will be organized by Astrid Verheusen and Roos Knigge.

Astrid Verheusen






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


Appendix 1. Progress in implementation of the Strategy

Progress in implementation of the strategy (Describe the progress and indicate by means of an emotion whether the status is "green" (progress is good), "yellow" (there is a small deviation from expectation), or "red" (there is a large deviation from expectation). If "red", please explain the status.)

Below, all planned Roadmap activities are listed in order of priority. In the case of low priority activities, progress should only be reported if appropriate.

Action area	Planned Activities	Planned Impact	Progress	Status
Copyright & Legal Matters	Advocate for research friendly copyright reform	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Interests groups are involved in the process of advocacy - LIBER point of view is taken into account in EC discussions 	Relevant current work in ReCreating Europe. Relevant upcoming work through Arcadia.	
Copyright & Legal Matters	Guidance on implementation of new legal measures (copyright, DPR)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Guidance is well advertised - Copyright workshop for professionals to learn and share about legal matters 	Relevant current work in ReCreating Europe.	
Copyright & Legal Matters	Build capacity to support researchers on copyright and legal matters	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Researchers are informed - LIBER provides Copyright workshop for professionals to learn and share about legal matters - LIBER provides workshops on data protection 	Relevant current work in ReCreating Europe.	
Open access to research publications	Advocate for OA policies and mandates	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - OA policies in place that promote sustainable OA 	Relevant current work in ORE.	
Innovative Metrics	Advocate for open metrics	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - LIBER point of view is taken into account in EC discussions 	No project-related activity	



Innovative Metrics	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Provide guidance on how to support metrics - Organize LIBER workshop on new metrics and how to implement them in LIBER libraries 	- LIBER members have an overview about new available metrics	No project-related activity	
Innovative Metrics	Explore new metrics	- LIBER supports one or two new metrics through workshops	No project-related activity	
Open access to research publications	Facilitate exchange of best practice in licencing negotiation for off-setting.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Move towards sustainable OA business models - Sustainable business models are the default 	Relevant current work in ORE.	
Open access to research publications	Promote and develop repositories services	- LIBER libraries systematically implement services and workflow to support OA	Relevant current work in ORE.	
Innovative Peer review	Investigate landscape and role of libraries	- LIBER members have an overview of ongoing initiatives in the field	Relevant current work in ORE.	
Citizen Science	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Citizen Science enthusiasts are informed of library support - Overview on Citizen Science actions going on in Europe is available to LIBER members - LIBER organizes a Workshop "Citizen Science" where 	Grow the role of libraries in supporting Citizen Science	Relevant current work in INOS and collaboration with Citizen Science WG.	



	members can discuss the most valuable actions			
Text and data mining	Develop best practice in supporting TDM e.g. licencing, tools, data storage, visualisation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Libraries are able to offer services to researchers - A best practice sheet is available for LIBER members on the LIBER Webpage - LIBER libraries have the skills to support researchers in TDM 	No further activity following the end of OpenMinTeD, apart from exploitation of produced material. Remote activity through SSHOC, under the WP6 training activities.	K
Digital cultural heritage and digital humanities	Partner with digital scholars (can be done through LIBER WG + DARIAH and CLARIN)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Additional value of librarians is acknowledged by scholars - LIBER Website displays a fact sheet "how to partner with digital scholars" - LIBER collaborates at practical level with DARIAH and CLARIN 	Via SSHOC LIBER represents the library perspective and forms part of the cluster governance and regularly collaborates with DARIAH, CLARIN and CESSDA. Further activity to take place via the ELE project. ReCreating Europe work is relevant.	J
Changing the service development philosophy	Sharing best practice on development of software and systems with user engagement to build the best solutions for them	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - LIBER members know agile development and have examples how to enhance user engagement. 	SSHOC WP3 and WP6 work is relevant. Upcoming MES-CoBraD work will be relevant.	J
Information Ethics	Explore role of library in information ethics and Responsible Research &	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - There are clear aims in role of the library in the information ethics - LIBER Website provides a fact 	Remote contribution via current project activities. Relevant upcoming work through MES-CoBraD.	K



	Innovation	sheet about information ethics for LIBER members		
Digital cultural heritage and digital humanities	Spread best practice in managing digital humanities content (can be done by LIBER workshop on Digital Humanities)	- Evidence based feedback of best practice usage - LIBER workshop “Digital humanities” produces a best practice list available on LIBER Website	SSHOC project is targeting Social Sciences and Humanities.	
Diversifying digital skills of library staff members and researchers	Develop skills profiles	- Librarians are informed about options to improve their skills profile. - New profiles are available on LIBER website.	Work in SSHOC WP6 is relevant; LIBER is leading training activities for the project. INOS contributes to this end. Collaboration with the CoP is being fostered. Participation in the EOSC WG on Skills and Training has been relevant.	
Digital cultural heritage and digital humanities	Promote the role of libraries in digital humanities (can be done through LIBER WG + DARIAH and CLARIN)	- Additional value of librarians is acknowledged by scholars - LIBER Website displays a fact sheet “how to partner with digital scholars”	LIBER is collaborating with DARIAH, CLARIN and CESSDA in SSHOC and will further pursue this goal. Further activity to take place through the ELE project.	
Diversifying digital skills of library staff members and researchers	Build capacity to support digital activities	- LIBER leadership programme takes this field into account in the programme - Digital skills are embedded in the work programmes of LIBER working groups	SSHOC project and INOS contribute to this end, as is work in the EOSC WG on Skills and Training and CoP for training coordinators. LIBER is leading training activities for ReCreating Europe and supporting training in MES-CoBraD.	



Diversifying digital skills of library staff members and researchers	Identify digital skills needed by researchers	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Librarians are ready to offer courses to improve digital skills. - List of skills is provided on LIBER Website to support LIBER libraries in their support to researchers 	<p>INOS and SSHOC contribute to this end, as is work in the EOSC WG on Skills and Training and CoP for training coordinators.</p> <p>EOSC WS work has been relevant.</p> <p>LIBER is leading training activities for ReCreating Europe and supporting training in MES-CoBraD.</p>	J
Research data management	Build capacity	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - LIBER members know the available capacities - Skills have improved at LIBER libraries and they have the skills to support researchers 	SSHOC WP3 and WP6 work is relevant, as well as MES-CoBraD work.	J
Research data management	Support development of FAIR RDM policies	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Data is FAIR - FAIR data policies in place in most LIBER organisations 	<p>Open Science basics are promoted and linked to the library community through LIBER's participation in EOSCpilot, FOSTER plus and SSHOC.</p> <p>EOSC WS work has been relevant.</p> <p>CoP participation is relevant.</p>	J
Research data management	Engage in development of metadata standards	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Standards are available for some categories of metadata and LIBER member know about them (or: LIBER workshops are available on these themes - Libraries 	SSHOC WP3 and WP6 work is relevant.	K



		implement and advocate for RDM metadata standards which support FAIR data		
Research data management	Advocate for FAIR data	- Data is FAIR	LIBER's work in SSHOC WP3 and WP6 is relevant. Participation in EOSC bodies has been relevant. EOSC WS work has been relevant. INOS LTTA, IO3 and IO6 is relevant. Upcoming MES-CoBraD work will be relevant	J
Semantic interoperability; open linked data	Facilitate the exchange of expertise on enhancing scholarly data and related services	- Theme of a LIBER annual conference, or a LIBER workshop - Case examples of libraries implementing LOD - Pilot projects (EC) to study semantic interoperability of research infrastructures	Open Science basics are promoted and linked to the library community through LIBER's participation in SSHOC. Upcoming work of MES-CoBraD will be relevant.	K
Data stewardship	Create capacity in libraries to support FAIR data	- Theme of a LIBER annual conference, or a LIBER workshop	SSHOC work is relevant. Participation in EOSC bodies has been relevant. EOSC WS work has been relevant. INOS LTTA, IO3 and IO6 is relevant.	J
Data stewardship	Advocate for FAIR data	- The point of view of LIBER is known... by whom? W3C? EC? EUA/LERU/UNICA?	LIBER's work in SSHOC WP3 is relevant. Participation in EOSC bodies has been relevant. EOSC WS work has been	J



			<p>relevant.</p> <p>INOS LTTA, IO3 and IO6 is relevant.</p>	
Shared services & cloud services	Produce overview of landscape	<p>- LIBER Website provides an overview about the available services for LIBER libraries</p> <p>- LIBER libraries provide case studies and best practices on different kinds of shared services</p>	<p>LIBER's work in SSHOC WP3 is relevant.</p> <p>Participation in EOSC bodies has been relevant.</p> <p>EOSC WS work has been relevant.</p>	J
Disciplinary partnership	Engage in joint capacity building (training) with disciplinary communities e.g. via CLARIN	- LIBER provides guidance for libraries for engagement (through Website, of fact sheet)	<p>LIBER is leading the SSHOC training activities, focusing on the uptake of open science, FAIR data and SSHOC services, collaborating closely with CLARIN, DARIAH, CESSDA and DANS.</p> <p>CoP and ELE work is relevant.</p> <p>Participation in EOSC bodies has been relevant.</p> <p>EOSC WS work has been relevant.</p>	J
Data stewardship	Promote the role of libraries to data infrastructure providers and research communities	<p>- LIBER Website provides fact sheets about role of libraries</p> <p>- Partner in EC projects</p>	<p>SSHOC and MES-CoBraD work is relevant.</p> <p>LIBER provided such training to the INOS project partners, for them to be able to deliver relevant project activities, as well as through the delivery of OKAs and IO6 activities.</p>	J
Disciplinary partnership	Facilitate engagement with e-infra	- LIBER provides guidance for libraries for engagement (through Website,	Lessons learned from the partnerships that LIBER has established in EU-funded projects with e-infras can be turned into guidance and	K



		of fact sheet)	factsheets. Engaging with ESFRIs through SSHOC, MES-CoBraD and ELE. EOSC WS work has been relevant.	
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