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Civic Epistemologies: Roadmap for Citizen Researchers in the age of Digital Culture

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The CIVIC EPISTEMOLOGIES project is about the participation of citizens in research on cultural heritage and humanities. ICT are powerful drivers of creativity, but specific technical know-how is still generally lacking in the creative industries sectors. In addition, humanities scholarship is not yet taking full advantage of ICT to engage with wider audiences. New skills are needed to enable the cultural sector to grasp employment and commercial opportunities.

The project aims to develop and validate a Roadmap for the use of e-Infrastructures to support the participation of European citizens in research on cultural heritage and digital humanities through focus groups, questionnaires, pilot study, case studies, and workshops with stakeholder groups. Critically, the Roadmap will offer support for improved social cohesion arising from the sharing of knowledge and understanding of Europe's citizens common and individual cultures.

A first draft version of the Roadmap was released and presented at a dedicated consultation workshop in February 2015 as an internal document for discussion, therefore this presentation will provide an update on the report comprising scope, structure, content, initial findings, future work and ultimate goal.

All work will culminate at the Final CIVIC EPISTEMOLOGIES Conference in Berlin on 12-13 November 2015.

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