International workshop

For an international concerted policy of labour history archives digitisation.

This workshop, organized by IALHI, is devoted to the various digitisation policies of its members. Its objectives are to coordinate at a European level the various digitisation policies, and to look for the creation of a specialized digital library. Another aim is to define the future IALHI policy.

The morning’s contributions will be about digitisation policies of traditional paper archives.

The afternoon will be more directly devoted to born digital archives. Contributions are expected to open a debate. It will be possible to speak in English or in French.

The workshop will be really interesting only if there are many IALHI participants and if the debate leads us to effective new IALHI orientations and projects. Let’s try to be with us!

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Morning (9 h 30-12 h 30)

9 h 30 : General Introduction

Table ronde :
Digitisation programs of labour history archives

9 h 45-10 h 30 : Summary Report par Françoise Blum (CHS) et Franck Veyron (BDIC)

10 h 30-11 h 30 : Discussion (in French or in English) with :

1. Marien van der Heijden (IISG) :
Netherlands : Digitisation policies in Netherlands : about IISG
2. Urs Kälin (Schweizerisches Sozialarchiv)
Switzerland : Networks and digitisation policy in Switzerland
3. Rüdiger Zimmermann (Friedrich Ebert)
Deutschland : Deutschland and Friedrich Ebert Stiftung’s policy
4. David Bidussa (Feltrinelli)
Italy : Italian digital ressources
5. Françoise Blum (CHS) and Franck Veyron (BDIC)
France : Digitisation and labour history in France
6. Wouter Steenhaut (AMSBAB)
Belgium : Digitisation in Belgium
7. Richard Temple (Senate Library)
United Kingdom : United Kingdom policies
8. Lars Ilshammar (ARAB)
Sweden: Swedish policies

9. Andrew Lee

États-Unis: Some American examples

11 h 30-12 h 15: Discussion: Examples of programs managed by other participants, and discussion about the role the IALHI could play in the general policy of digitisation of labour history archives (by gathering information about different local or national programs, giving them publicity on labourhistory.net, creating links to each database of digitised documents, etc.)

12 h 15-12 h 30: Conclusions

Après-midi (14 heures-18 heures)

14 heures • Panel
Problems and perspectives of born digital archives

1 - Gildas Illien (BNF): Web archiving
2 - Jenneke Quast (IISG): Archivage des mailing lists
3 - Susan Thomas (Bodleian): Le projet Paradigm

15 heures • Discussion (in English and French)
Divers axes de discussion seront proposés.

• Creation of a Labour History Web portal
• Advice about technical guides and protocols or software (free ones like Heritrix for instance)
• Constitution of a digital library
• Possibilities of financial plans (European Community etc)
• Aspects of scientific policy (Research boost, knowledge diffusion, etc) links with scientific community (creation of a mailing-list about labour history archives with IALHI members but also with social historians)