

## DLM Forum Members' Meeting in Brussels 2024

### Archiving Europe's Digital Decade

State Archives of Belgium, [Rue de Ruysbroeck 8](#), 1000 Brussels

### Programme

#### DLM Forum First Day - Monday, 27<sup>th</sup> May 2024

Session and chair	Time	Topics & Speakers
Registration	10.30-11.30	Registration and coffee
Welcome	11.30-11.45	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>John Sheridan, Vice Chair of DLM Forum opens the conference</li> <li>Welcome and introduction, Karin Van Honacker, Director a.i. of the department 'Flanders', State Archives of Belgium</li> <li>Practical information</li> </ul>
Session 1: Europe's Digital Decade – Policy and Practice Chair: Stefan Kwasnitza	11.45-11.50	Session introduction
	11.50-12.25	Keynote speech: The Digital Decade concept and practice, Eric Peters, Acting Head of Unit B2 – Digital Decade Coordination DG CNECT
	12.25-13.00	Keynote speech: EU data law meets archiving, Laura Drechsler, Legal Expert and Researcher at the State Archives of Belgium and Assistant Professor at the Centre for IT & IP Law at KU Leuven
	13.00-13.30	Archives Portal Europe – Archival data in the multiverse, Kerstin Arnold, COO of the Archives Portal Europe Foundation (APEF)
LUNCH	13.30- 14.30	Lunch and networking
Session 2: Use of Data in the Digital Age Chair: Markus Merenmies	14.30-14.35	Session introduction
	14.35-14.55	Facilitation for easy use of data, Tor Eivind Johansen, KDRS
	14.55-15.15	How the National Archives help Arne retire early, Jan Dalsten Sørensen, Danish National Archives
	15.15-15.35	How research data repositories can create trust from the onset among researchers thanks to their workflow, Johan Van der Eycken, State Archives of Belgium
	15.35-15.50	Implementing database preservation toolkit as access tool for born-digital records, Jan Dalsten Sørensen, Danish National Archives
	15.50-16.00	Q&A session
COFFEE BREAK	16.00-16.30	Coffee and networking
Session 3: DLM initiatives & opportunities Chair: David Anderson	16.30-16.50	DLM Geoforum, a way forward or a waste of time? Gregor Završnik, DLM Geoforum Lead, Geoarh
	16.50-17.00	DLM Forum: A gateway to EC-funding, David Anderson, Highbury R&D, DLM Forum Treasurer & EC member
Annual General Meeting	17.00-18.00	Annual General Meeting
Conference dinner	19.30	at <a href="#">Le Roy d'Espagne, Grand Place 1</a> , 1000 Brussels

#### DLM Forum Second Day - Tuesday, 28<sup>th</sup> May 2024

Session and chair	Time	Topics & Speakers
Session 4: Archiving by Design and Transforming	09.00-09.10	Session introduction
	09.10-09.50	Keynote speech: They do things differently there – when archival theory meets digital recordkeeping, Jenny Bunn, Head of Cataloguing, Taxonomy and Data, The National Archives (UK)

Archiving in the Digital Decade Chair: Sofia Särdaqvist	09.50-10.10	Fading boundaries in the information landscape: shared information systems, Jasper Slob, National Archives of the Netherlands
	10.10-10.30	How the DUTO framework for sustainable accessibility of information connects policy, processes, functions and model requirements, Wout van der Reijden, National Archives of the Netherlands
	10.30-10.50	Nordic experience of Archiving by Design, Markus Merenmies, National Archives of Finland, Sofia Särdaqvist, National Archives of Sweden
	10.50-11.00	Q&A session
<b>COFFEE BREAK</b>	11.00-11.30	<b>Coffee and networking</b>
Session 5A: Contemporary Challenges in Records Management Chair: Anssi Jääskeläinen	11.30-11.35	Session introduction
	11.35-12.05	Principles and pathways for the application of AI to records management, James Lappin, Central Digital and Data Office (CDDO), United Kingdom
	12.05-12.25	Instructions for newly elected officials for handling e-mail, socials and messaging apps, Vincent Hoolt & Anna van Lankvelt, National Archives of the Netherlands
	12.25-12.45	Record management in a world of data at the Municipality of Utrecht, Rens Ouwerkerk & Ilona van der Linden Municipality of Utrecht
	12.45-13.00	Q&A session
Session 5B: 10 years of eArchiving Chair: Milan Vojáček	11.30-11.35	Session introduction
	11.35-12.05	Update on the eArchiving Initiative latest developments and next steps, Janet Anderson & Jaime Kaminski, Highbury R&D, Carlota Bustelo & Miguel Umlauff, Gabinete Umbus SL, Jože Škofljanec, Archives of the Republic of Slovenia, Sven Schlarb, AIT Austrian Institute of Technology
	12.05-12.25	Applying eArchiving Initiative specifications from a solution provider's perspective, Višnja Šimunović Basić & Tomislav Karlović, Ericsson Nikola Tesla d.d.
	12.25-12.45	Preservation approaches for digital and electronic signatures, Luis Faria, KEEP SOLUTIONS
	12.45-13.00	Q&A session
	<b>LUNCH</b>	13.00-14.00
Session 6: Artificial Intelligence and Archiving (parallel to DLM Geoforum workshop, see <a href="#">our website</a> for the workshop programme) Chair: John Sheridan	14.00-14.05	Session introduction
	14.05-14.40	Keynote speech: AI and opportunities for archives, Henk Vanstappen, Co-founder and Digital Strategist at DATABLE BV, Belgium
	14.40-15.00	Applying AI to improve the quality of the use and exploitation of data assets in the Historical Archives of the Hungarian State Security, Zoltán Lux, Historical Archives of the Hungarian State Security; Domonkos Czifra, Peter Kőrösi-Szabó & Gábor Kovács, Alfréd Rényi Institute of Mathematics
	15.00-15.20	Video subtitling and description with Large Language Model assistance, James Elder, BT Group, UK
	15.20-15.40	Geospatial digital humanities use cases using machine learning, large language models, and generative AI, Sven Schlarb, AIT Austrian Institute of Technology
	15.40-16.00	Building AI Governance Infrastructure to facilitate access to non-public data, Dave Buckley, OpenMined
	16.00-16.10	Q&A session
<b>Closing</b>	16.10-16.30	<b>Next members' meeting in Budapest Wrap-up of the meeting</b>

**Members' meeting in Brussels: meet our keynote speakers**

**Eric Peters**

Acting Head of Unit B2 – Digital Decade Coordination DG CNECT

**Laura Drechsler**

Legal Expert and Researcher at the State Archives of Belgium and Assistant Professor at the Centre for IT & IP Law at KU Leuven



Laura did her legal studies at the University of Vienna, Austria, and KU Leuven (LL.M in Public International and European Law; Master Thesis on freedom of information and intellectual property). After completing her studies in 2015, she worked for two years as a legal advisor/lobbyist for the Austrian Chamber of Civil Law Notaries in Brussels, where she gained an in-depth understanding of European law-making and EU institutions. In autumn 2017, Laura joined the Brussels Privacy Hub at the Law, Science, Technology and Society (LSTS) Research Group at VUB, where in 2018 she won an individual FWO grant to complete her thesis on ‘Data subject rights in international personal data transfers’. She defended this thesis in November 2022.

Since 1 January 2024, Laura is an Assistant Professor at KU Leuven for data law as well as a researcher for the Belgian State Archives as part of a FED-tWIN project, via which she is studying the intersection of EU data protection law with EU data law from a human rights perspective in the context of archives.

Laura was assistant editor of the Oxford University Press Commentary on the GDPR of 2020 and its update of 2021, and is reprising this role for the 2nd edition. She teaches several courses at KU Leuven, and is a frequent speaker at international conferences, panels and podcasts.

In her keynote presentation, she will give an overview of the different EU legal frameworks on data facing digital archiving focusing in particular on some of the challenges that would need to be overcome. The presentation will be based on the research for the FED-tWin project ‘DigiL4Arch’.

**Jenny Bunn**

Head of Cataloguing, Taxonomy and Data, The National Archives



Jenny Bunn is Head of Cataloguing, Taxonomy and Data at The National Archives (UK). She has over 25 years’ experience as an archival practitioner, educator and researcher. She taught for ten years on the MA in Archives and Records Management at University College London, developing courses on digital curation and her interests have always lain at the intersection of archives and technology. She continues to research into both the history of how archival descriptive practice ‘went digital’ and into its future and the implications of AI for this practice.

Her talk will suggest that the meeting of archival theory and digital recordkeeping is more usefully viewed, not as an encounter between two abstract concepts but rather as an ongoing need for people, coming from a growing number of different traditions and perspectives, to find a way of working together to address the full range of their, not always entirely compatible, goals. It will trace some of the mechanisms by which and frameworks within which common ground has been established, with a particular focus on the activity of modelling and the use of systems thinking.

**Henk Vanstappen**

Co-founder and Digital Strategist at DATABLE BV, Belgium



Henk Vanstappen lives in Antwerp and holds degrees in history and information science. With extensive experience in the library, archive, and museum sectors, he has been associated with institutions such as the Rubenshuis Study Center and the Netherlands Architecture Institute in Rotterdam. Over the years, he has undertaken numerous research and advisory projects for heritage organizations across Europe. About 10 years ago he founded [Datable](#), a company with the mission to support heritage organizations in sustainably managing and enhancing the accessibility of their collections, where he works as a digital strategist and innovation expert.

About his keynote speech:

Archives manage vast amounts of textual and audiovisual data, and with the advent of digitisation, this volume is increasing exponentially. It's becoming progressively more challenging for us to effectively manage and provide access to these massive troves of information for end-users. Artificial intelligence (AI) presents several avenues for supporting or even autonomously executing these tasks. The recent advancements in generative AI further enhance these capabilities. It's imperative for the sector to embrace hands-on experimentation, utilizing a trial-and-error approach to discern what works and what doesn't. Moreover, it's crucial to acknowledge and confront the paradigm shift that generative AI can catalyse within the archival community.

In this keynote address, we will illuminate the diverse opportunities available, extending far beyond the familiar offerings of industry giants, through practical demonstrations and real-world case studies.