euroCRIS
Current Research Information Systems

euroCRIS Membership Business Meeting

Rome, 12th of May 2014

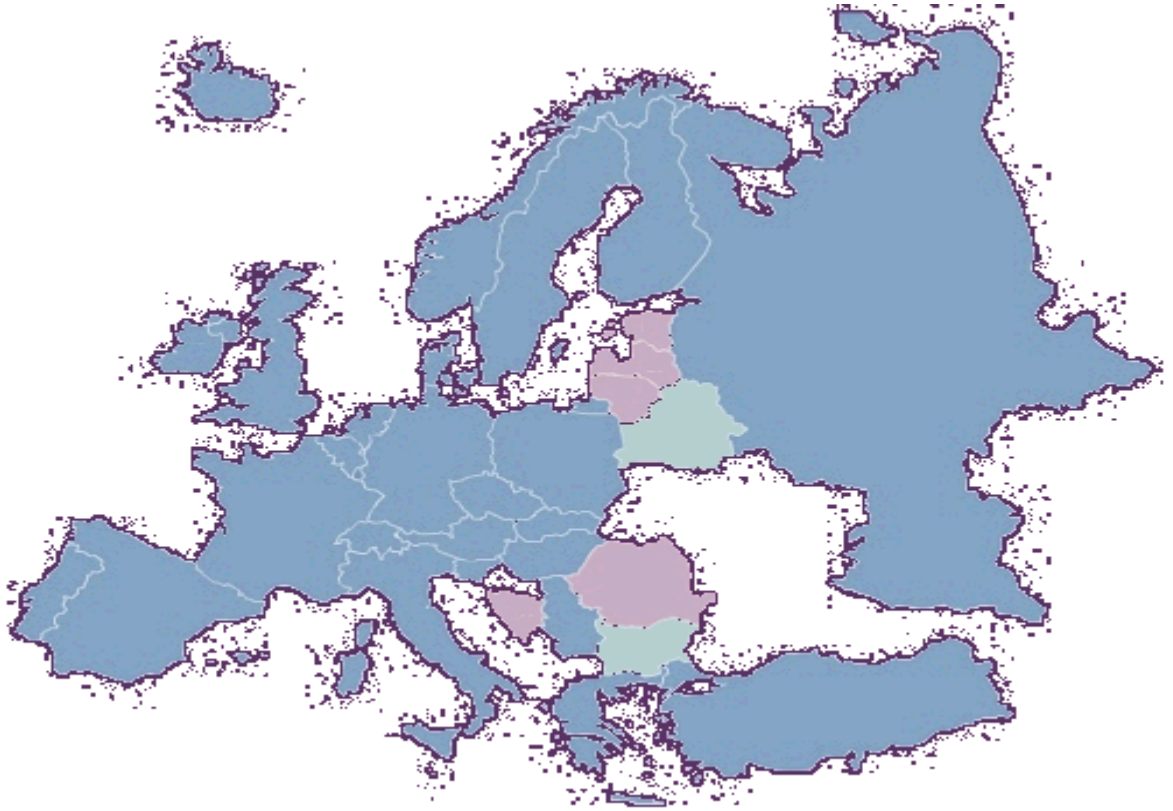
Agenda of the Membership Business Meeting

1. Opening and introduction
   - The euroCRIS Organization
   - The CERIF model
2. Financial report on 2013 and budget 2014
3. Projects, actions and events
   - Participation in external projects
   - Internal project: CERIF-REFIM
4. Web site and Repository
5. Board Elections for the term 2015-2016
6. Transfer of the Secretariat

The euroCRIS organization

- An international not-for-profit organisation of experts in research information and research information systems.
- MISSION: *To advance Interoperability in the Research Community through CERIF*
- Main activity: development of the CERIF metadatamodel and its application *(Common Euopean Research Information Format)*: a standard model for storage and interoperability of research information (metadata: data/information about research).
- Other function: international platform for exchange of research information knowledge and expertise.
- Bi-annual (academic) Conferences, annual Seminars and Membership Meetings (twice a year)
- Next activity:

Membership: the euroCRIS Community



Autralia – Canada – China – Iran – Israel – Malaysia – Nigeria – Pakistan – South Korea - USA

Current membership is 196: 128 institutional, 42 personal and 26 affiliate
(Coming from 43 countries, mainly Europe)

Strategic Partners of euroCRIS.

In preparation:

The euroCRIS Board

Executive Positions:

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SPAIN

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Indicators
NORWAY

CERIF Task Group

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TG Leader: Jan Dvořák jan.dvorak@infoscience.cz

CRIS-IR Task Group

The CRIS-IR Task Group aims at furthering the science and technology of the linkage between CRIS and repositories and specifically open access institutional repositories of publications, although data and software repositories are also of interest. This involves working on the architecture for linkage, the metadata and the mechanisms. There are outstanding issues in these areas concerned with syntax, semantics and software processes. Technical work must be preceded by communication and approximation of views between two communities: CRIS and Repository managers and specialists.

TG Leader: Danica Zendulková danica.zendulkova@cvtisr.sk

Best Practice Task Group

The Task Group Best Practice / DRIS connects actors in CRIS and research e-infrastructure development for getting mutual benefits. Aims of the Task Group are:
(a) To record cases of modern practice in developing and using CRISs, including CERIF usage, symbiosis with open access repositories, approaches to connect CRISs with research e-infrastructure, building of data and information spaces (DIS) over integrated CRISs content, and other CRIS-related innovations;
(b) To propagate recorded best practices and assist CRIS developers and users in implementing advanced concepts, design and tools.

TG Leader: Pablo de Castro pcastromartin@gmail.com

Projects Task Group

Relying on euroCRIS members expertise in the field of current research information systems (CRIS), the Projects Task Group involves euroCRIS members on R&D projects (national or international funding) to develop pilots using CERIF within specific domains and for specific objectives in line with euroCRIS strategy.

Through participation to this kind of projects, euroCRIS expects to:

- gain publicity and influence for euroCRIS and CERIF
- generate intellectual property for euroCRIS to be used in future services / projects

Internal euroCRIS projects, involving any Task Group, are also coordinated through the Projects TG

TG Leader: Valérie Brasse vbrasse@is4ri.com

CRIS Architecture and Development TG

The Task Group CRIS Architecture and Development focuses on those aspects of CRIS software and development processes which are suitable for sharing or reuse throughout the CRIS community. The main priorities are the development of a reference implementation for CRIS and the definition of a standard API for programmatic access to data in CERIF-CRIS systems. Furthermore, the scope of the TG includes best practice and "soft" topics, like task analysis, software specification, selection of technologies or third party products, software architecture, user interaction patterns, management of the implementation process, and testing.

TG Leader: Nikos Houssos nhoussos@ekt.gr

Linked Open Data Task Group

The mission of the Linked Open Data TG is to ensure a semantic web/linked data representation of CERIF is developed and maintained with associated services. In particular this implies:

- resolution of the rich structure of CERIF to appropriate constructs within semantic web / linked data;
- recommendations on available open linked data covering other domains of interest which could or should be linked to the CERIF representation in this space for particular applications;
- development of open source services for the transformations required.

This TG will need to work closely with the CERIF TG to ensure changes in CERIF are reflected appropriately and the Architecture Group on services.

TG Leader: Miguel-Angel Sicilia msicilia@uah.es

Indicators Task Group

Aim of the Indicators TG is to develop an active programme of research and generation of best practice (linked with TG Best Practice / DRIS) in the use of indicators (scientometrics, bibliometrics) for evaluating research. The TG will develop a catalogue of known methods with appropriate analysis of their effectiveness and efficiency. The expected output is CERIF-compliant software services (jointly with the CERIF and Architecture TG) to perform evaluation of research including for commonly used national or international methods.

TG Leader: Grete Christina Lingjærde g.c.lingjarde@usit.uio.no

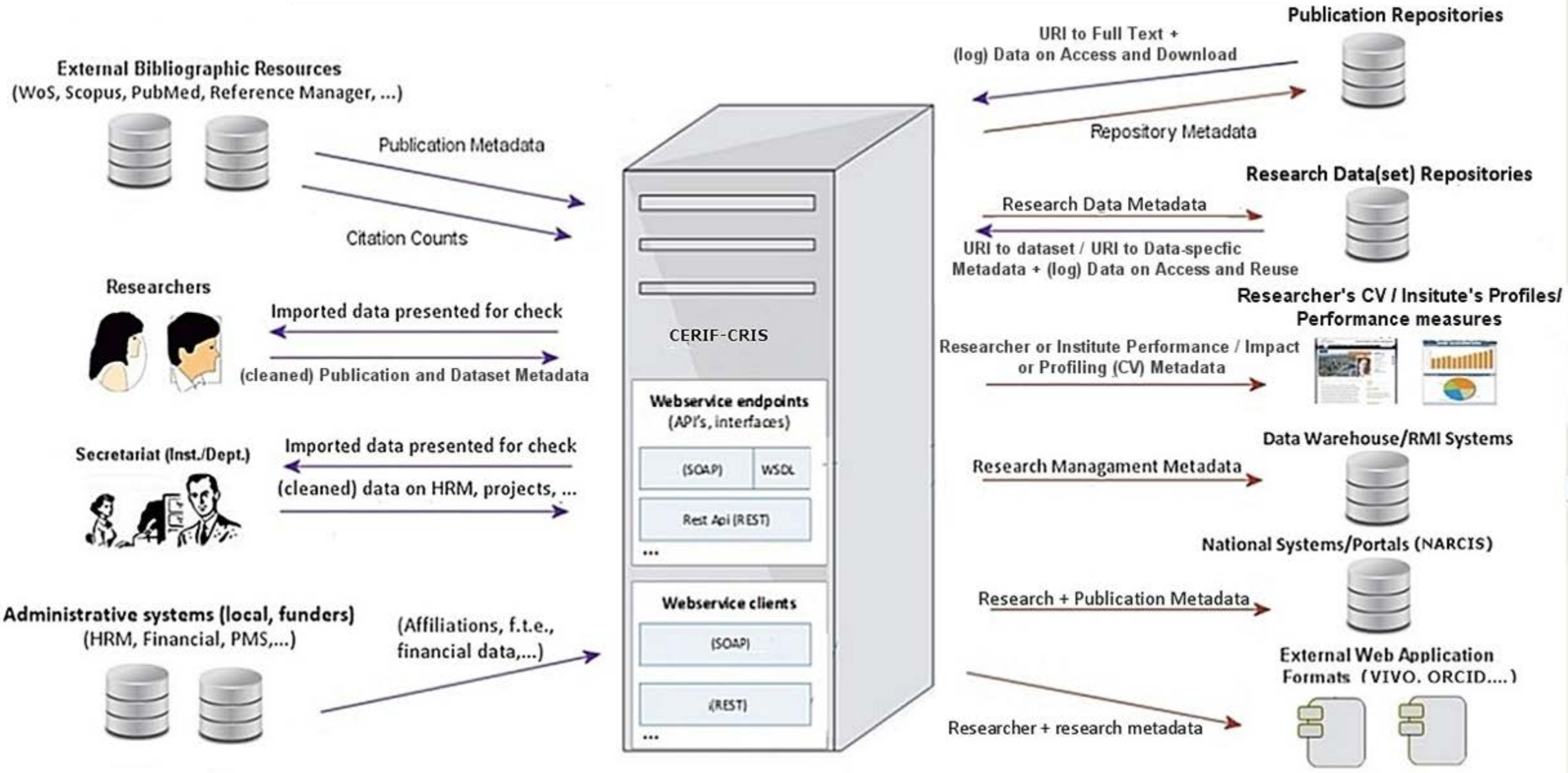
The CERIF Model

- Standard model *for storage* and *interoperability* of research information (metadata on research), and as such the base for the development of Research Information Systems (CRIS).

- Official EU Recommendation to Member States.

- Strong points of CERIF:
  - Broad Coverage: includes all aspects of RI (projects, persons, organisations, funding, publications, datasets, other results, impact, equipment, etc…)
  - Fine-grained data-structure: allowing import and export (aggregation) of almost any metadata format used in other applications (e.g. DC, Mods/DIDL, Marc21, etc..)
  - Optimal (relational) architecture: able to express any kind of relation between entities (by means of *link entities*). with every relation "time stamped" and semantically defined
  - Separate "semantic layer": allowing the use of multiple controlled vocabularies (classifications, typologies) as well as their crosswalks.

- Systems (CRIS) based on CERIF: Converis (Thomson-Reuters), PURE (Elsevier) and various locally developed systems.



Information exchange flows based on CERIF-XML

Financial Report

3. ACCOUNT REPORTS 2013

KBC Business account

Budget item / Payments	Incoming	Outgoing	Balance
Events	**4.145,00 €**	**-10.077,80 €**	**-5.932,80 €**
Meeting Bonn	2.355,00 €	-2.195,18 €	159,82 €
Meeting Porto	1.160,00 €	-4.991,62 €	-3.831,62 €
Seminar	630,00 €	-2.891,00 €	-2.261,00 €
Fees	**23.757,08 €**		**23.757,08 €**
Membership fee affiliate	250,00 €		250,00 €
Membership fee institutional	22.207,08 €		22.207,08 €
Membership fee personal	1.300,00 €		1.300,00 €
Operating	**892,07 €**	**-16.197,71 €**	**-15.305,64 €**
Secretary salary	600,00 €	-7.800,00 €	-7.200,00 €
Secretariate running costs	200,00 €	-2.675,61 €	-2.475,61 €
Travel for representation		-2.257,55 €	-2.257,55 €
Gifts		-1.696,00 €	-1.696,00 €
Liability Insurance		-785,29 €	-785,29 €
Board/TG meeting costs		-730,67 €	-730,67 €
Banking costs	45,41 €	-174,62 €	-129,21 €
Miscellaneous		-41,97 €	-41,97 €
Repayment	46,66 €	-36,00 €	10,66 €
Public Relations		**-5.358,85 €**	**-5.358,85 €**
Website		-4.114,00 €	-4.114,00 €
Printed matter		-969,85 €	-969,85 €
Press release		-150,00 €	-150,00 €
Sponsorship		-125,00 €	-125,00 €
Projects	**56.239,53 €**	**-74.275,13 €**	**-18.035,60 €**
EuroRIS Net	15.000,00 €	-10.000,00 €	5.000,00 €
CiA	5.753,04 €	-5.187,42 €	565,62 €
ENGAGE	23.921,00 €	-44.222,32 €	-20.301,32 €
UKRISS	11.565,49 €	-14.865,39 €	-3.299,90 €
Savings transfer	**53.698,62 €**	**-40.000,00 €**	**13.698,62 €**
from Savings	15.000,00 €		15.000,00 €
from Savings ENGAGE	38.698,62 €		38.698,62 €
to Savings		-40.000,00 €	-40.000,00 €
Balance	**138.732,30 €**	**-145.909,49 €**	**-7.177,19 €**

KBC Savings account

Budget item / Payments	Incoming	Outgoing	Balance
ENGAGE		**-38.698,62 €**	**-38.698,62 €**
From savings		-38.698,62 €	-38.698,62 €
Interest	**532,35 €**		**532,35 €**
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Savings transfer	**40.000,00 €**	**-15.000,00 €**	**25.000,00 €**
From savings		-15.000,00 €	-15.000,00 €
To savings	40.000,00 €		40.000,00 €
Balance	**40.532,35 €**	**-53.698,62 €**	**-13.166,27 €**

4. CURRENT LIQUIDITY as of 1. Jan 2014

(1) KBC business compact account	13.247 €
(2) KBC savings account	38.661 €
(3) Cash balance	**51.908 €**
(4) Expected income 2014 w/o projects	61.950 €
(5) Total cash balance	**113.858 €**
(6) Internal reserve – general	
(7) Project (pre-) financing from savings[1]	-35.000 €
(8) Project (pre-) financing from Business account	-18.072 €
(9) Unpaid subscriptions (20 %)	-10.641 €
(10)Available budget 2014	**50.145 €**

(1-5): The liquidity calculation shown here includes the income available for euroCRIS operations

(6-8). A majority of assets is reserved for project operations (6-8). Extensive pre-financing from own resources is needed for the fp7 project ENGAGE. This will be completely balanced by the final payment from the EC (appr. 50,000 €) expected in early 2015.

(9): A correction to the expected income from subscription fees.

Financial Report

Recommendation to the membership:

The book-keeping system is in order and spending was according to budget.

Formal discharge of treasurer and Board is recommended.

Projects

External Projects:

Running in 2014: Engage, Pasteur4OA

Proposals submitted (Horizon2020): HOLACloud, ReHASH, OpenAgriData

Proposals planned (next round Horizon2020): ACUMEN2, CRISMAN

Internal Project: CERIF-REFIM

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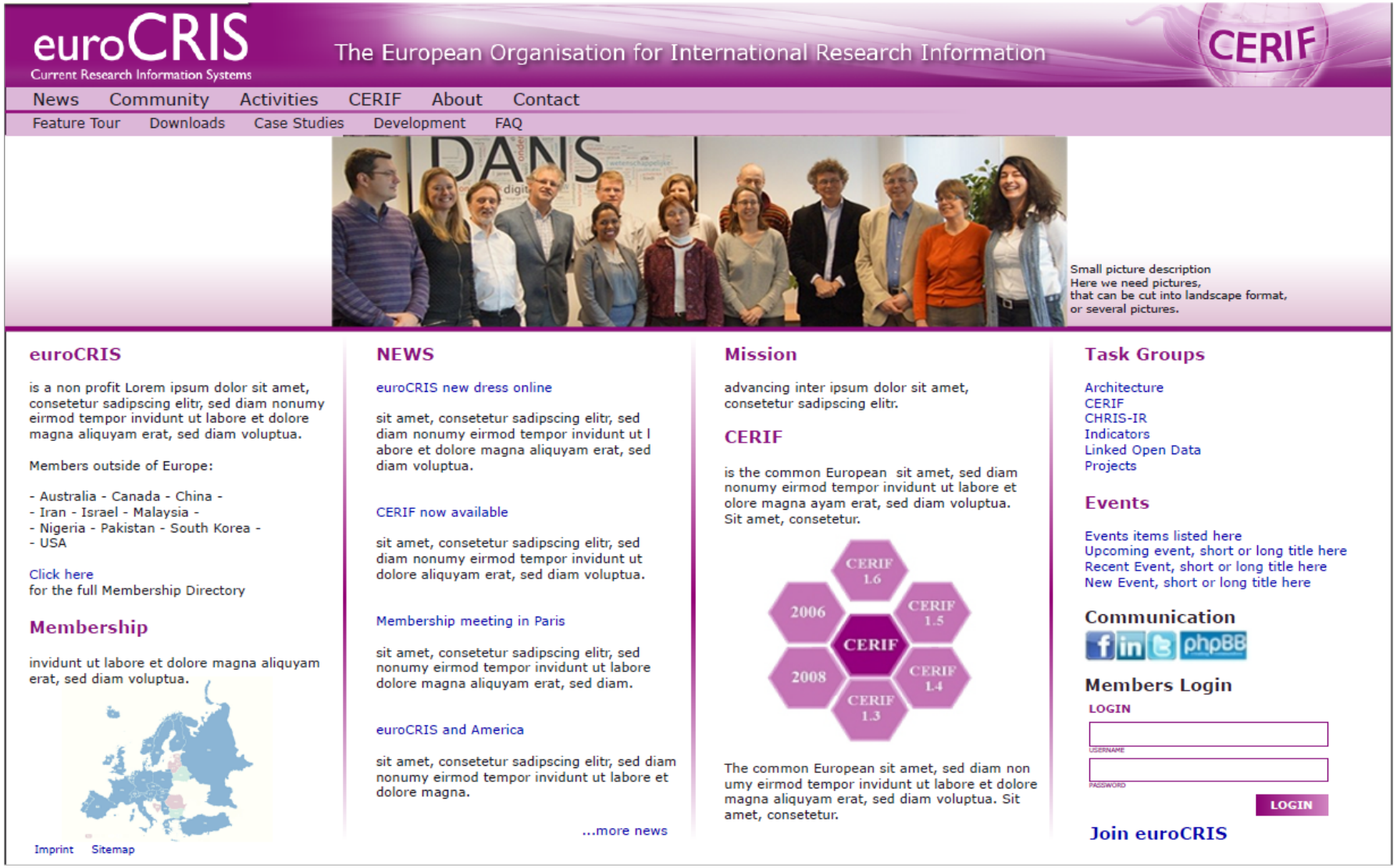

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TG-MEETINGS

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March
August
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RECENT ACTIVITIES

- CERIF evangelization at the ODIN (ORCID and DataCite Interoperability Network - an FP7 CSA project) conference at CERN, eneva, Switzerland (17 Nov 2013) Showing the strength of CERIF, emphasis on identifiers.
- Further work on the CERIF 1.6 release Specification document editing (not ready for release yet).

PLANNED ACTIVITIES

- Keynote and Tutorial at a conference in Riga, Latvia (28-29 Nov 2013)
- Showing the strength of CERIF, emphasis on information about research infrastructures.
- Release of the CERIF 1.6 specification document

Task Groups

Architecture
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Sitemap

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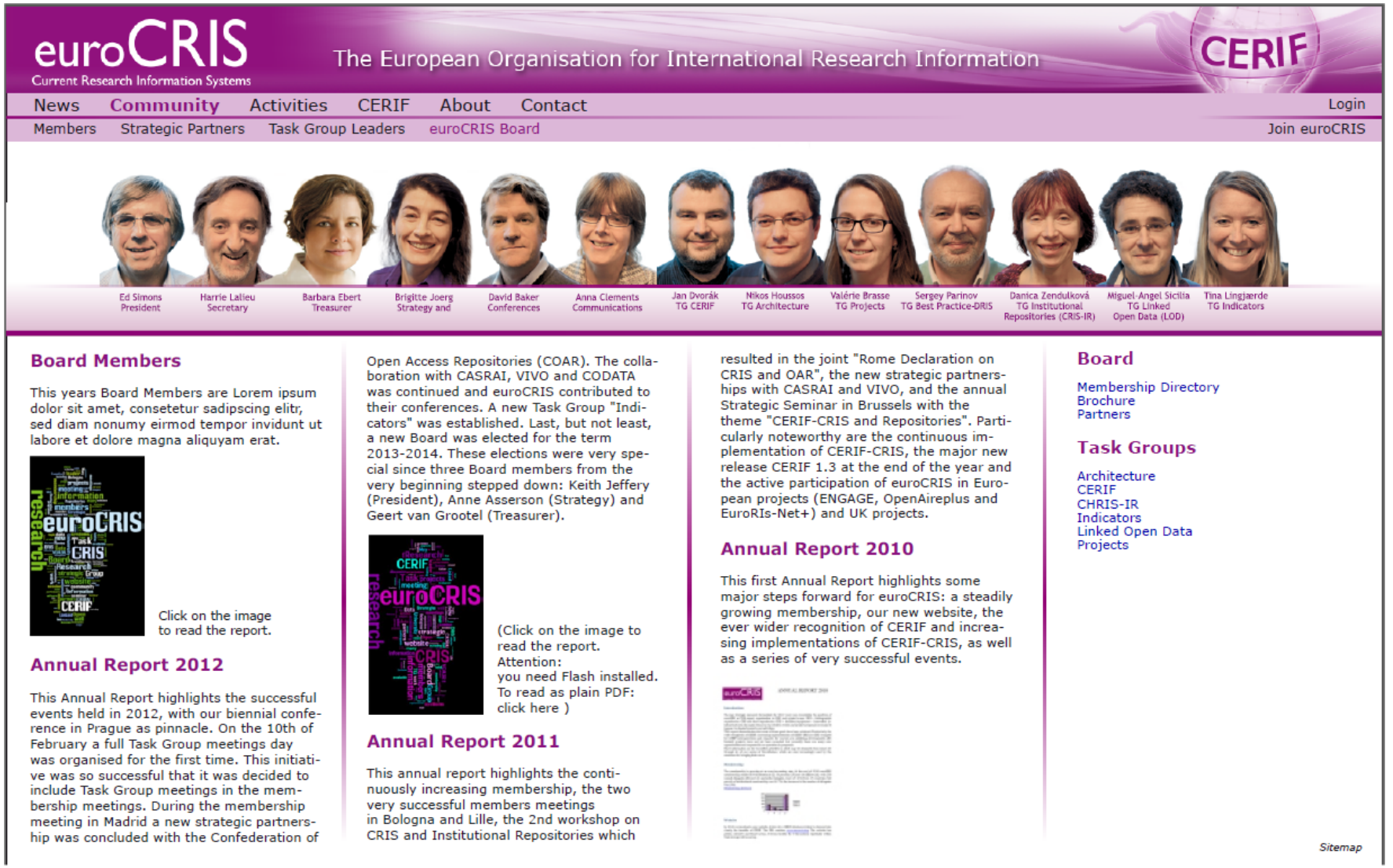
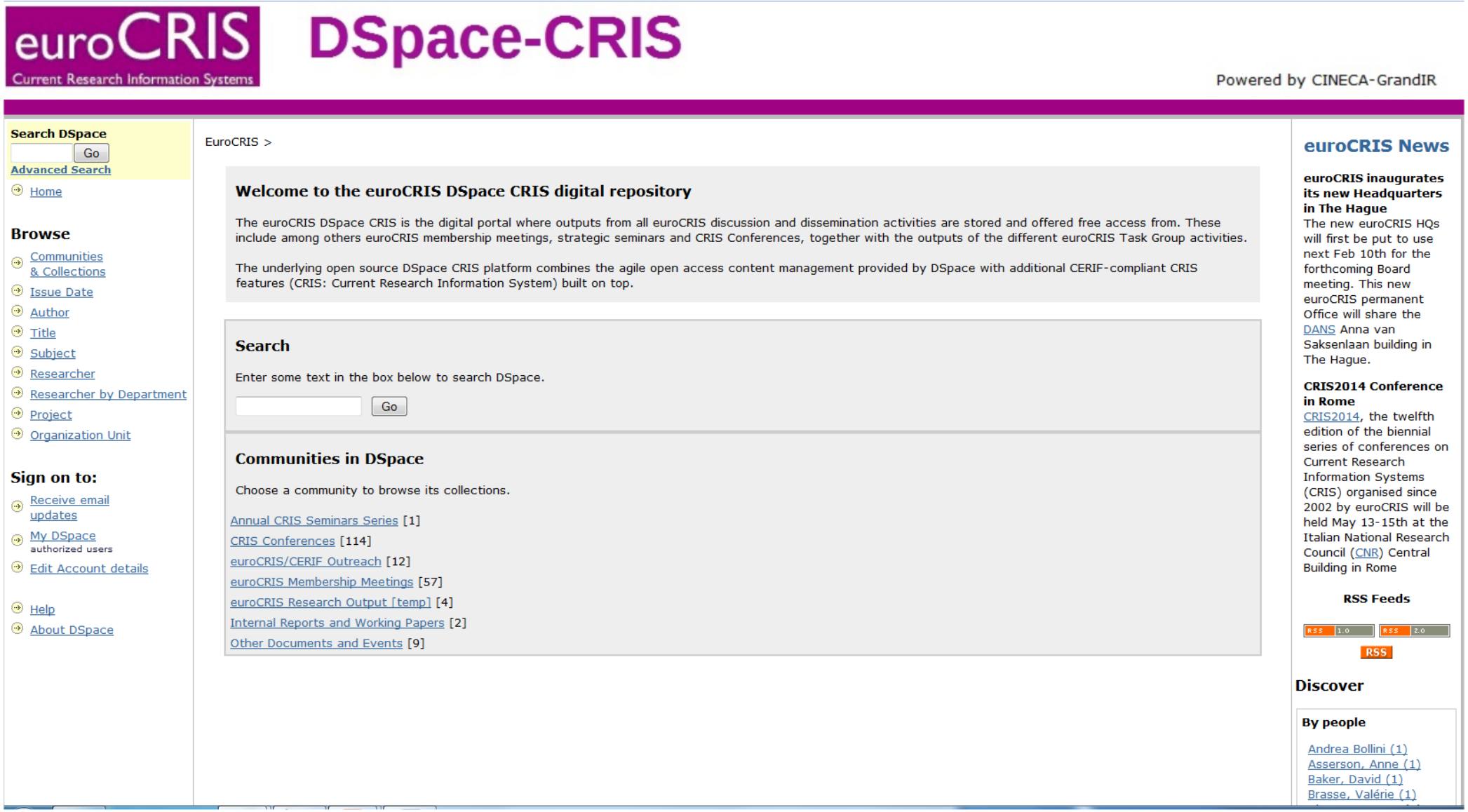


New: Repository – dspacecris.eurocris.org



Board Elections: term 2015-2016

- Elections are held in the Fall (September-October), results communicated in Membership Meeting in November.
- Board members mandate is 2 years, starting 1st of January after election.
- Elections concern all Board positions, except Secretary (he/she is appointed by the Board).
- Institutional and Personal Members can stand up for election.
- One does not stand up for a specific Board position, but for Board membership in general.
- Candidates however can indicate their preference for Board positions, but it is up to the newly chosen Board to decide who will take which position.

You are all warmly invited to put yourself up as a candidate or inform the euroCRIS Secretary about possible suitable candidates you may want to recommend!

Transfer of the Secretariat.

From today on, the Secretariat of euroCRIS is officially transferred to and taken care of by DANS (Data Archiving and Networked Services), located in The Hague, The Netherlands.

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Also the person of the Secretary is changing:

Outgoing (after 10 years of loyal and faithful service) :

Harrie Lalieu

Incoming:

Arjan Hogenaar