## Chefs' Table session

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**Title: How to connect thousands of cultural institutions into one network for reuse?**

## Introduction

This session will bring together experts from different stakeholder groups - system vendors, aggregators, GLAM representatives - to discuss the challenges that are involved in contributing data to Europeana.

Is it possible to connect and reuse data from different collection management systems? How to overcome the obstacles creative industries are facing when reusing the content? What is the role of CMS's vendors in connecting cultural institutions into a network for reuse?

These are some of the questions that we will try to answer in this interesting session that will bring together experts from different stakeholder groups: system vendors, aggregators and GLAM representatives.

## Discussion

Saso will start with a short presentation about the Europeana Inside project
http://www.europeana-inside.eu/home/index.html

This project deals with contributing data to Europeana more easy.

Europeana Inside

The project to create the missing link between cultural institutions and Europeana.
One of the goal is to bridge the gap between Europeana and smaller institutions.
 * Simplify the proces of getting data into Europeana
 * Creative reuse of data in eg. apps
 * Create an incentive for institutions to contribute by enriching the data

The ECK Europeana Connection Kit will be the main deliverable of the project.
It can connect CMS to aggregators & vendors can integrate it in their systems.

The ECK will validate the data before sending it to Europeana, Map metadata between different formats, preview how data looks like before publishing, create PID's, get feedback on status feedback and get enriched data.

Questions
What are your experiences with your vendors?
Do you think that the approach of implementing this in software is a good approach?

A mixed audience from many fields content providers & commercial vendors.
Technical & mapping issues are sometimes difficult for dataproviders.
The approach of working through the vendors is seen a good way to approach
data contribution to Europeana.

Does it make sense to have a Europeana requirement for software vendors.

Problem with the quality of metadata in especially smaller institutions. But there is no staff nor money to work on the quality.

Suggestion to not convert metadata to another format, but to encapsulate the original metadata and add metadata.

In the Netherlands 5 or 6 suppliers who have the knowledge to contribute to Europeana.