

# VIRAL – VIRTUAL REALITY ARCHIVE LEARNING NEWSLETTER ISSUE 4, DECEMBER 2020

## A happier year

#### WHAT'S UP?

- ✓ ViRAL Quests are concluded and translated
- ✓ Our main VR production is almost ready!
- More 360° videos are on their way

There is no argument against the fact that 2020 was one of the most difficult years of contemporary times. It affected our health, our economy, our social relations, our education and our culture. More specifically, it forced us into new ways of teaching and learning, of creating culture and consuming culture. More than ever, the digital has revealed itself as something without which we can no longer live. Visits to museums using 360° video technology and artworks created using augmented or virtual reality became increasingly common. There can be no doubt: the future is digital.

We at ViRAL also suffered from the effects of this pandemics. Being an international project, we were not allowed to travel for the Transnational Partners Meeting in Osijek, Croatia, nor to Coventry, United Kingdom, for the joint staff training week in which we would have explored the resources the team has been creating over the past two years. Nonetheless, we firmly believe that things will get better. Our work

and the ties that that bind us together are stronger than imaginary geographical boundaries. Digital technologies aid us in our mission and we are thrilled with what we are preparing for you in 2021.

Until then, the ViRAL team would like to show their gratitude for your support and wish you a happier new year.

### **Our meetings**

Sadly, the pandemic situation has been impeding us from meeting physically. Nonetheless, we were able to meet online on Friday, December the 11th and make some decisions about next steps and our work moving forward:

- ✓ Joint Staff Training Week new dates: February 1st to 5th 2021 (Online)
- ✓ Transnational Partners Meeting new dates: late May 2021 (Stockholm, Sweden)
- ✓ Final Transnational Partners Meeting dates: June/July 2021 (Dornbirn, Austria)

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### **NEWS FROM WUPPERTAL**

ViRAL's partner Stadtarchiv Wuppertal was present at the European Route of Industrial Heritage - ERIH Conference 2020 that took place in Oberhausen, Germany, and online. They presented the ViRAL project to a wide audience of experts and representatives of the field of industrial heritage. More info here.



MUVI 08 / 2020:

muzeji - video - film

MUVI LAB / 2020:

festival multimedijskih
i web projekata

**MEANWHILE IN OSIJEK...** 

Our Croatian colleagues from Muzej Slavoniej introduced ViRAL in an online conference, MUVI LAB 2020, organised by Museum Documentation Center. You can check more info here.

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