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1. Executive Summary

This Deliverable describes the project website, its structure and its main purposes. For a better orientation, example screenshots are included in this document (as per July 20th 2012).

The Europeana Newspapers project aims at the aggregation and refinement of newspapers for [The European Library](#) and [Europeana](#). In addition, the project addresses challenges particularly linked with digitized newspapers:

- use of refinement methods for OCR, OLR/article segmentation, and named entity recognition (NER), and page class recognition to enhance search and presentation functionalities for Europeana customers,
- quality evaluation for automatic refinement technologies,
- transformation of local metadata to the Europeana Data Model (EDM)
- metadata standardization in close collaboration with stakeholders from the public and private sector.

The consortium will provide more than 18 million newspaper pages to the Europeana service.

2. The website <http://www.europeana-newspapers.eu/>

The project website is available at <http://www.europeana-newspapers.eu/>.

The current version of the website, based on Wordpress was launched on April 25th 2012. A simple version of the project website providing basic information on the project and the consortium has been published under the same URL in March and April 2012. This website was replaced with the launch of the advanced Wordpress project website.

The website will be updated continuously during the whole lifetime of the Europeana Newspapers project.

The partner responsible for the website's content is LIBER. The co-ordinator of the project (SPK/SBB) holds the administrator rights as well. Some partners hold the rights to update content in the "Blog" category.

The structure of the website is described in the following chapters.

The main purposes of the website are:

- to introduce the Europeana Newspapers project to the public
- to inform about the progress of the project and about the project consortium
- to have a public document repository for public project related outcomes (Deliverables, Presentations, Promotional Materials)
- to provide information for and about associated partners of the project and the extended project network
- to present access points to further communication channels (LinkedIn, Twitter, Facebook, Slideshare) used by the project
- to provide contact details of the project co-ordinator and project partners.

3. Website structure description

3.1 Homepage (About)

The homepage of the project offers general and summarised information about the project, the navigation menu, a search field, a "follow us!" crossroad to other project communication and social media channels, direct links to the "Blog" and "News" categories and an archive (structured by months).



The screenshot shows the homepage of the Europeana Newspapers project. The header features the Europeana Newspapers logo and the tagline "A Gateway to European Newspapers Online". A navigation menu includes links to ABOUT, CONSORTIUM, NEWS, ACTIVITIES, EVENTS, PUBLIC MATERIALS, and CONTACT. The main content area is titled "About" and contains a search bar, a "Follow Us!" section with social media icons, a "Categories" section with links to Blog (1) and News (5), and an "Archive" section with links to June 2012 (2), May 2012 (1), April 2012 (1), and March 2012 (2). The footer includes a copyright notice and a design credit to NattyWP.

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About

A group of 17 European partner institutions have joined forces in the "Europeana Newspapers" project and will, over the next 3 years, provide more than 18 million newspaper pages to the EUROPEANA service.

The Europeana Newspapers project (funded under EC's [CIP 2007 – 2013](#)) aims at the aggregation and refinement of newspapers for [The European Library](#) and [Europeana](#). In addition, the project addresses challenges particularly linked with digitized newspapers:

- use of refinement methods for OCR, OLR/article segmentation, and named entity recognition (NER), and page class recognition to enhance search and presentation functionalities for Europeana customers,
- quality evaluation for automatic refinement technologies,
- transformation of local metadata to the Europeana Data Model (EDM)
- metadata standardization in close collaboration with stakeholders from the public and private sector.

Each library participating in the project will distribute digitized newspapers and full-texts free of any legal restrictions to Europeana. There will be a special focus on newspapers published during the First World War, thus providing a meaningful addition to the resources aggregated by the current [Europeana Collections 1914-1918](#) project.

The project has started on 1st February 2012.

Go the [NEWS](#) section of this webpage to see the latest info on the project

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Categories

- ▶ [Blog \(1\)](#)
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Archive

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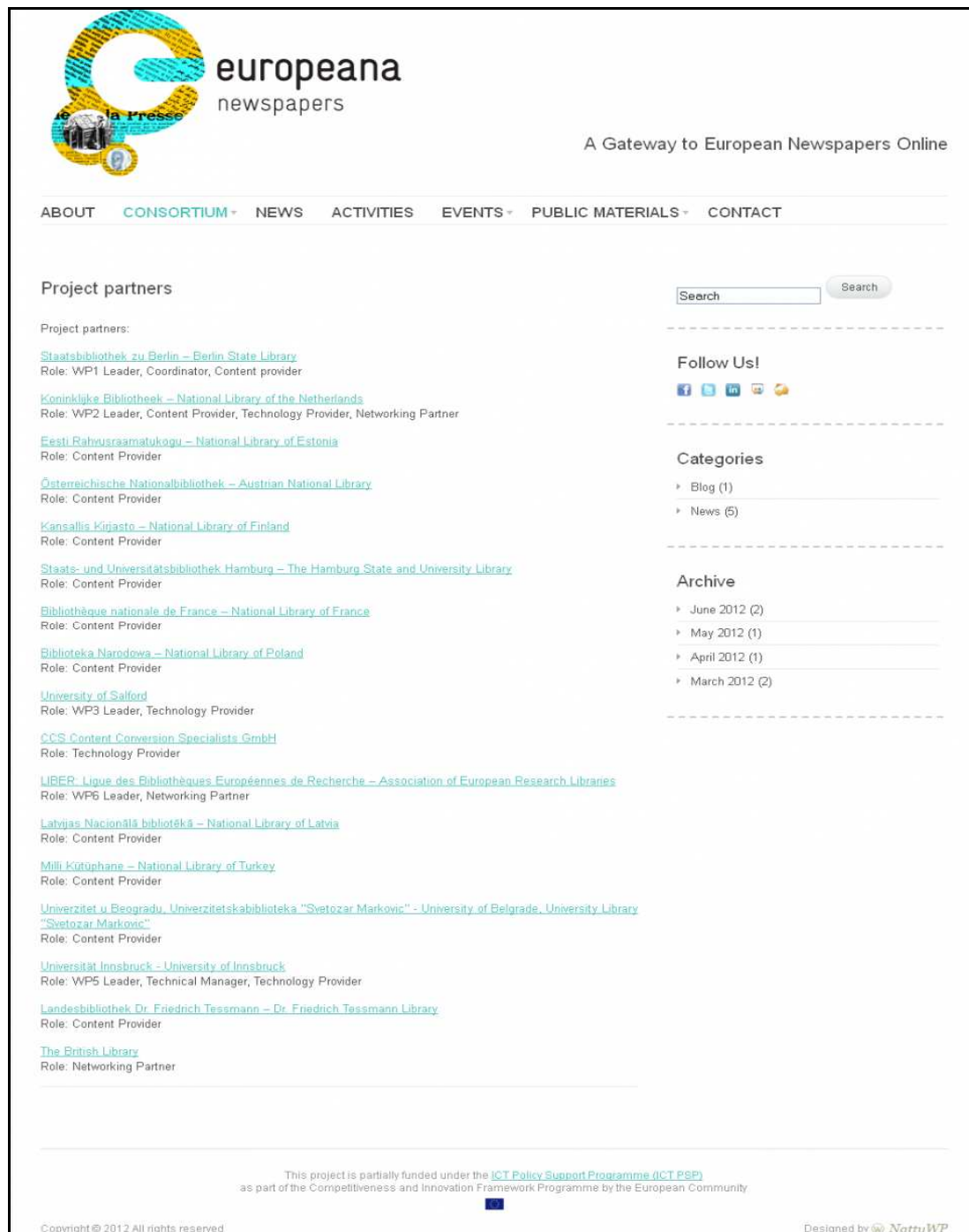
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3.2 Consortium

This category contains two sections:

- "Project partners" with their roles and links to the consortium partners' homepages
- "Associated partners" with the information on benefits of being an associated partner and with links to the associated partners' homepages



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The main content area is titled "Project partners". It lists various partner institutions and their roles:

- [Staatsbibliothek zu Berlin – Berlin State Library](#)
Role: WP1 Leader, Coordinator, Content provider
- [Koninklijke Bibliotheek – National Library of the Netherlands](#)
Role: WP2 Leader, Content Provider, Technology Provider, Networking Partner
- [Eesti Rahvusarhitektuuri – National Library of Estonia](#)
Role: Content Provider
- [Österreichische Nationalbibliothek – Austrian National Library](#)
Role: Content Provider
- [Kansallis Kijasto – National Library of Finland](#)
Role: Content Provider
- [Staats- und Universitätsbibliothek Hamburg – The Hamburg State and University Library](#)
Role: Content Provider
- [Bibliothèque nationale de France – National Library of France](#)
Role: Content Provider
- [Biblioteka Narodowa – National Library of Poland](#)
Role: Content Provider
- [University of Salford](#)
Role: WP3 Leader, Technology Provider
- [CCS Content Conversion Specialists GmbH](#)
Role: Technology Provider
- [UBER: Ligue des Bibliothèques Européennes de Recherche – Association of European Research Libraries](#)
Role: WP6 Leader, Networking Partner
- [Latvijas Nacionālā bibliotēka – National Library of Latvia](#)
Role: Content Provider
- [Milli Kütüphane – National Library of Turkey](#)
Role: Content Provider
- [Univerzitet u Beogradu, Univerzitetska biblioteka "Svetozar Markovic" - University of Belgrade, University Library "Svetozar Markovic"](#)
Role: Content Provider
- [Universität Innsbruck - University of Innsbruck](#)
Role: WP5 Leader, Technical Manager, Technology Provider
- [Landesbibliothek Dr. Friedrich Tessmann – Dr. Friedrich Tessmann Library](#)
Role: Content Provider
- [The British Library](#)
Role: Networking Partner

On the right side of the page, there is a search bar, a "Follow Us!" section with social media icons, a "Categories" section with links to "Blog (1)" and "News (5)", and an "Archive" section with links to "June 2012 (2)", "May 2012 (1)", "April 2012 (1)", and "March 2012 (2)".

At the bottom, there is a footer with the text: "This project is partially funded under the [ICT Policy Support Programme \(ICT PSP\)](#) as part of the Competitiveness and Innovation Framework Programme by the European Community." and "Copyright © 2012 All rights reserved".

3.3 News

This category is a chronological feed of news items, announcing the news about the project.



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1st Press Release of the Europeana Newspapers project has just been published!

June 26th, 2012 | Posted by [alespekarek](#) in [News](#) - (0 Comments)

The Hague, 26th of June 2012

Launch of the Europeana Newspapers project

A group of 17 European partner institutions have joined forces in the "Europeana Newspapers" project to, over the next 3 years, provide more than 18 million newspaper pages to the online service [Europeana](#). Europeana is a single access point to millions of digitised books, paintings, films, museum objects and archival records sourced from throughout Europe.

The Europeana Newspapers project is funded under the Competitiveness and Innovation Framework Program 2007-2013 of the European Commission with the aim of aggregation and refinement of newspaper content through The European Library.

Each library participating in the project will distribute digitised newspapers and full-text via Europeana. The project aims to make the newspaper content directly accessible for users through a special interface within the content browser. This will be integrated into the Europeana portal and will allow queries of phrases or single words within the newspapers' texts. This goes far beyond the standard libraries catalogue search functions which usually allow the searching by date or title only.

The project addresses challenges linked with digitised newspapers such as Optical Character Recognition (OCR), Optical Layout Recognition (OLR), article segmentation and page class recognition, and named entity recognition (NER). OCR is the electronic conversion of scanned images of handwritten, typewritten or printed text into machine-encoded text. OLR is concerned with the detection and separation of articles on a scanned page with more than one article. OLR seeks to locate entities in the full text and to classify them according to standardised names for persons, locations, and organisations.

The project will also evaluate the quality of the refinement technologies and transform the local metadata into the Europeana Data Model standard in close collaboration with stakeholders from the public and private sector.

The Europeana Newspapers project is co-ordinated by the Staatsbibliothek zu Berlin – Preußischer Kulturbesitz. Follow the advancements of the Europeana Newspapers project at [www.europeana-newspapers.eu](#). For any further information please contact Hans-Jörg Lieder or Thorsten Siegmann at Staatsbibliothek zu Berlin via info@europeana-newspapers.eu.

Europeana in a nutshell

Europeana is a multi-lingual online collection of millions of digitized items from European museums, libraries, archives and audiovisual collections. Currently Europeana gives integrated access to 23 million books, films, paintings, museum objects and archival documents from some 2.200 content providers from across Europe.

[www.europeana.eu](#)

 [1st Press Release](#) (PDF)

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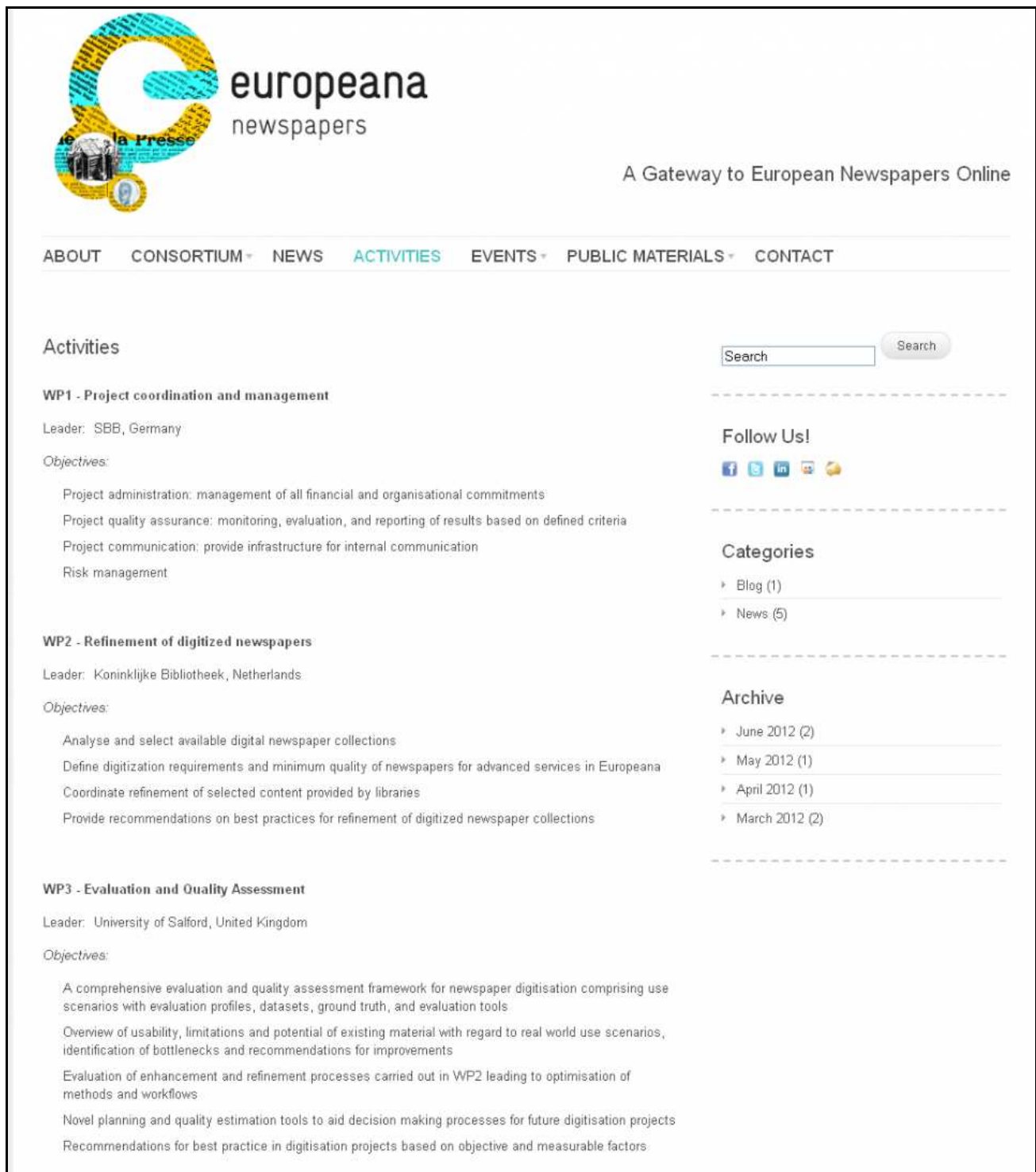
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3.4 Activities

This category provides a detailed description of project activities, segmented by individual work packages (screenshot length reduced)



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Activities

WP1 - Project coordination and management
Leader: SBB, Germany
Objectives:
Project administration: management of all financial and organisational commitments
Project quality assurance: monitoring, evaluation, and reporting of results based on defined criteria
Project communication: provide infrastructure for internal communication
Risk management

WP2 - Refinement of digitized newspapers
Leader: Koninklijke Bibliotheek, Netherlands
Objectives:
Analyse and select available digital newspaper collections
Define digitization requirements and minimum quality of newspapers for advanced services in Europeana
Coordinate refinement of selected content provided by libraries
Provide recommendations on best practices for refinement of digitized newspaper collections

WP3 - Evaluation and Quality Assessment
Leader: University of Salford, United Kingdom
Objectives:
A comprehensive evaluation and quality assessment framework for newspaper digitisation comprising use scenarios with evaluation profiles, datasets, ground truth, and evaluation tools
Overview of usability, limitations and potential of existing material with regard to real world use scenarios, identification of bottlenecks and recommendations for improvements
Evaluation of enhancement and refinement processes carried out in WP2 leading to optimisation of methods and workflows
Novel planning and quality estimation tools to aid decision making processes for future digitisation projects
Recommendations for best practice in digitisation projects based on objective and measurable factors

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3.5 Events

This category provides an overview of planned or past events, which are related to the project activities. It's divided in the following four subcategories:

- Project management – information about past and planned project management meetings and events
- Workshops – information about past and planned internal and external project workshops
- Information days – information about past and planned national information days
- Presence at external events – information about past and also partly about planned events, where the project has been / is going to be presented.

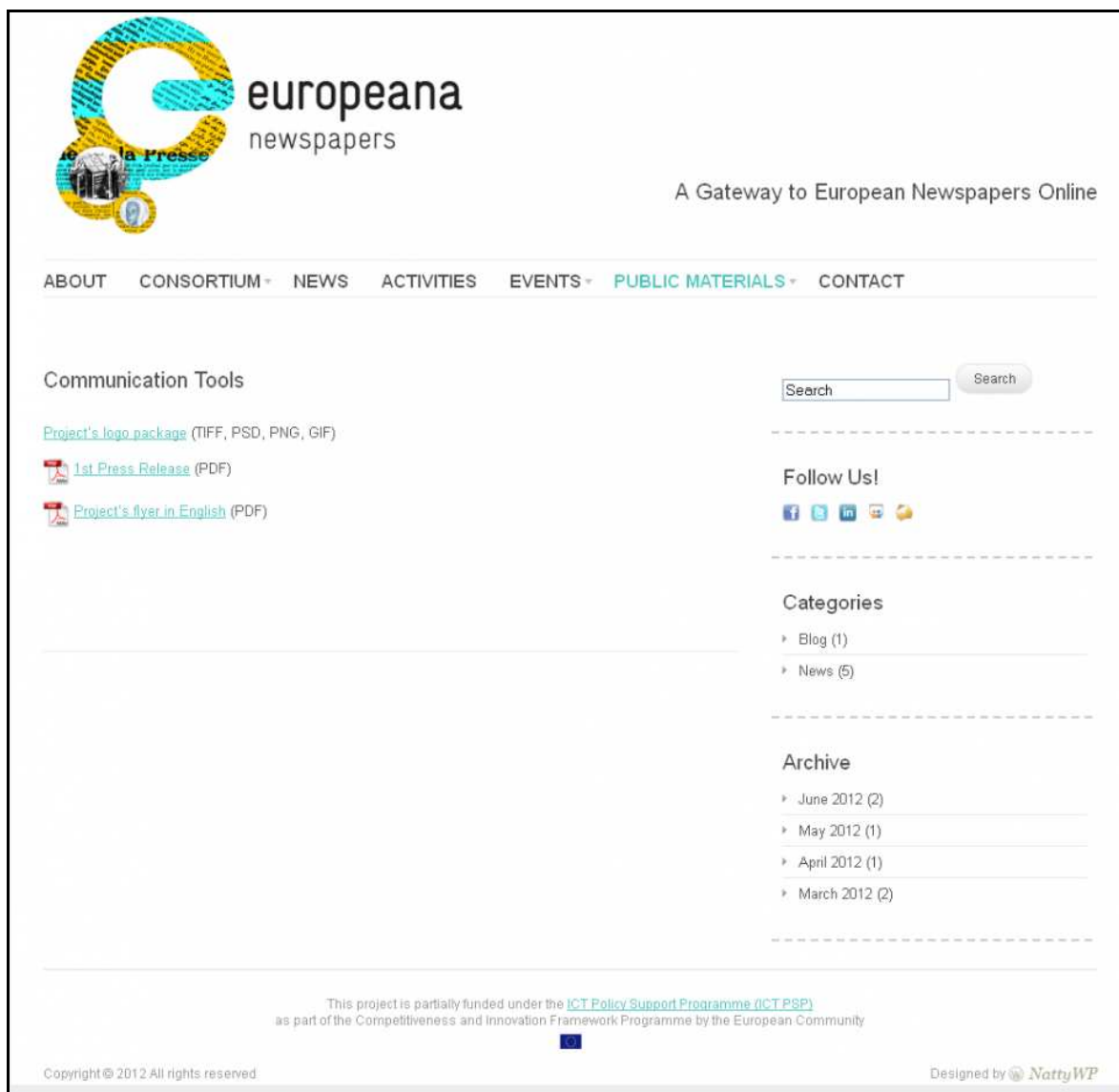


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3.6 Public Materials

This category provides a library of publicly available documents and materials, created during the lifetime of the project. It has three subcategories:

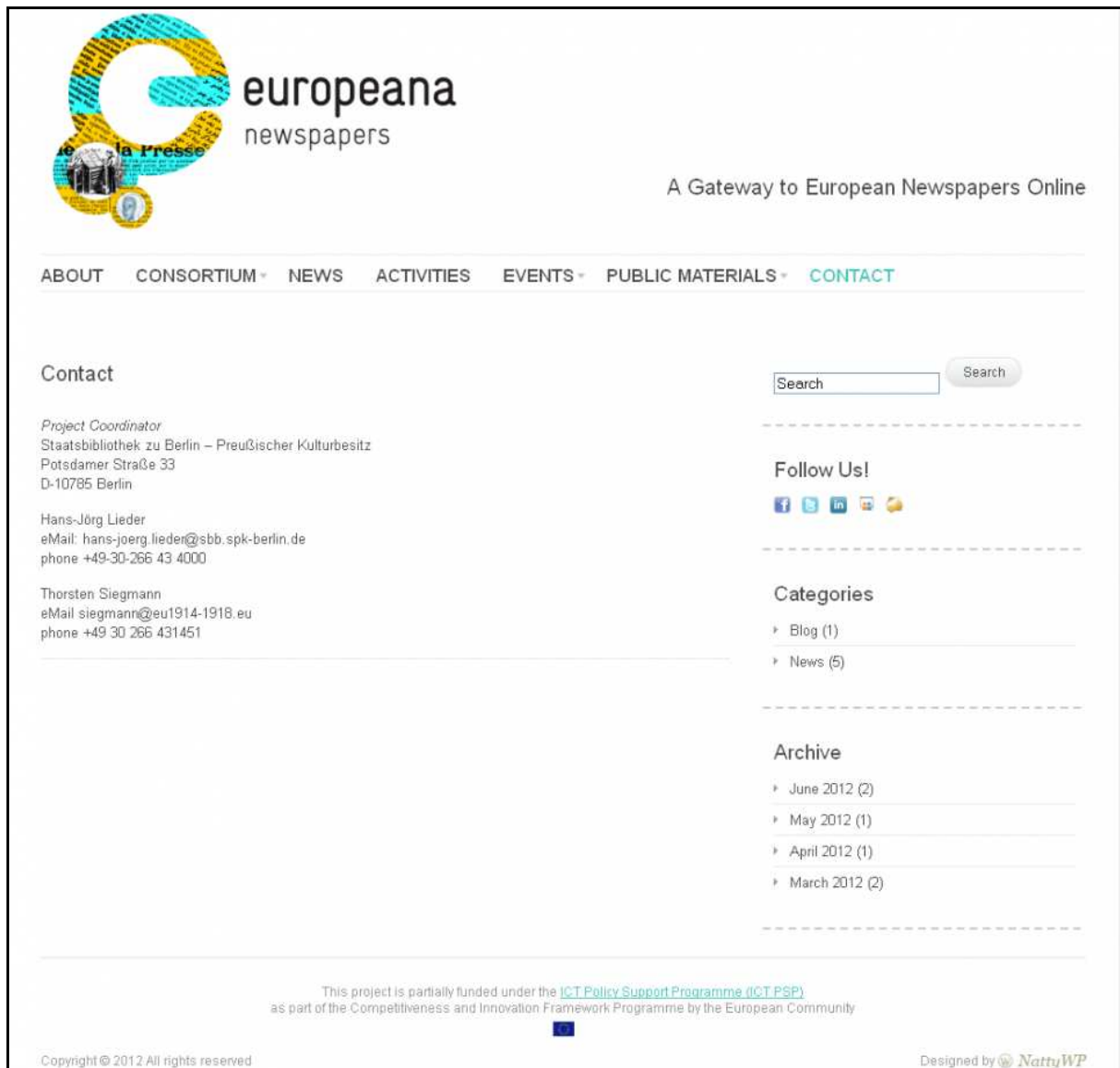
- Communication Tools – WP6 related promotional materials for public download
- Deliverables – overview and download of project deliverables
- Presentations – a library of public project presentations, which were presented at external events



The screenshot shows the 'Public Materials' section of the Europeana Newspapers website. The header includes the Europeana Newspapers logo and the tagline 'A Gateway to European Newspapers Online'. The navigation menu highlights 'PUBLIC MATERIALS'. The main content area is titled 'Communication Tools' and lists three downloadable items: 'Project's logo package (TIFF, PSD, PNG, GIF)', '1st Press Release (PDF)', and 'Project's flyer in English (PDF)'. A search bar is located on the right. Below the main content, there are sections for 'Follow Us!' with social media icons, 'Categories' (Blog (1), News (5)), and 'Archive' (June 2012 (2), May 2012 (1), April 2012 (1), March 2012 (2)). The footer contains copyright information and a design credit to NattyWP.

3.7 Contact

This category provides contact details of the project coordinator.



The screenshot shows the 'Contact' page of the Europeana Newspapers website. The header features the Europeana Newspapers logo and the tagline 'A Gateway to European Newspapers Online'. A navigation bar includes links for ABOUT, CONSORTIUM, NEWS, ACTIVITIES, EVENTS, PUBLIC MATERIALS, and CONTACT. The main content area is titled 'Contact' and provides details for the Project Coordinator, Hans-Jörg Lieder, and Thorsten Siegmann, including their addresses, email addresses, and phone numbers. A search bar is located on the right side of the page. Below the search bar, there are sections for 'Follow Us!' with social media icons, 'Categories' with links to Blog (1) and News (5), and 'Archive' with links to June 2012 (2), May 2012 (1), April 2012 (1), and March 2012 (2). The footer contains a copyright notice for 2012, a statement about funding from the ICT Policy Support Programme (ICT PSP) as part of the Competitiveness and Innovation Framework Programme by the European Community, and a design credit to NattyWP.


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