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1. Members

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I. Administration

1. Members

In May 2016 ICARUS counts **168** full and **8** associated members from 34 European countries (AL, AT, BIH, BE, BG, CH, CZ, DE, DK, EE, ES, FR, FI, GE, GR, HR, HU, IT, Kosovo, ME, MK, MT, N, NL, P, PL, RO, RS, RKS, SE, SF, SI, SK, UA, UK), the US and Canada.

Please see the list of members enclosed in the attachment at the end of the report.

2. Office and guest room

The guest room in the office premises (Erdberger Laende 6/7 in 1030 Vienna) may be used as overnight accommodation upon prior reservation by ICARUS members as well as scientists doing research in Vienna for free. Requests should be forwarded to Kerstin Muff (kerstin.muff@icar-us.eu) who is in charge of reservations and guest services.

Guests in 2015/16:

- Francesco Roberg, Hessian State Archives in Marburg (DE)
- Žarko Vujošević, Serbian Academy of Sciences and Arts in Belgrade (RS)
- Markus Leideck, National Archives of Pazin (HR)
- Herbert Wurster, Archives of the Diocese of Passau (DE)

Further guests are always welcome!

3. Financing

As the ICARUS membership is free of charge, the association is funded through public aid and project contributions (please see the auditor's annual statement of account). Due to the project ENArC the financing of the association's infrastructure (staff, office) is secured until April 2015. From December 2014 until November 2018 ICARUS is partly funded by the project co:op as part of the Creative Europe Cultural Programme 2014-2020.

In order to financially secure ICARUS' infrastructure beyond the project's lifetime, it has been decided to introduce member fees. A survey amongst the ICARUS members has resulted in and been validated by the Board at the General Assembly on 17.06.2014 in Copenhagen as follows:

Implementation of 3 membership categories:

- A. In the event of obtaining a financial benefit through the participation in an ICARUS supervised project, 5% of the funding sum must be conveyed to ICARUS. The ICARUS membership will de facto remain free.
- B. Payment of a yearly membership fee of € 400 per year. Members that participate in funded projects do NOT have to pay 5% of the funding sum.
- C. Provision of efficiency maintaining the infrastructure (project management, secretary, IT management) and organisation of a real surplus value. The adjudication of this category must be authorised by the Board.

It was decided at the Board Meeting in Colmar on 18.11.2014 that members who will not choose a membership category until the next ICARUS-Meeting in Prague (27-29 April 2015) are turned into "sleeping members". In that case the participation in projects submitted by ICARUS as well as being part of the mobility grant programme are not possible until the choice of a membership category.

Since April 2015 the ICARUS members chose as follows:

Category A: 98 Category B: 26

Category C: 5 (already approved by the Executive Board)

Special Members: 9 Sleeping Members: 19

Undecided: 18

As another main pillar for developing a financial security of ICARUS beyond its participation in funded projects the friends association ICARUS4all was founded in 2014. For more information on ICARUS4all see chapter 10.

4. Personnel

By means of several project grants such as ENArC, CrArC, Men and Books, APEx and co:op we are enabled to hire the personnel needed to carry out our activities. The current staff includes:

Florian Horn: 01.04.2012 - 28.02.2015 Corinna Ziegler: 01.02.2012 - 31.08.2015 Andreas Braunauer: 01.03.2015 - 31.12.2015 Johannes Leitner: 01.03.2015 - 31.12.2015 Sonia Horn: 01.08.2014 - 30.04.2015 Stefan Ledolter 01.07.2015 - 30.06.2016 Rainer Zoubek 01.07.2015 - 30.06.2016 Claudia Schmid 10.01.2016 - 30.06.2016

Dagmar Weidinger: since 15.10.2014
Sebastian Aigner: since 01.12.2012
Kerstin Muff: since 01.03.2012
Daniel Jeller: since 01.03.2012
Sonja Burger since 17.05.2015
Karl Heinz: since 01.01.2015

II. Activities

1. Digitization (in cooperation with IEEkQ)

Date	Location	Charters	Scans
2015-05-08 - 2015-05-26	MAZ Brno / CZ	318	906
2015-06-22 - 2015-07-01	Diözesanarchiv Augsburg / DE	413	1229
2015-07-02 - 2015-07-03	Bistum Passau / DE	69	180
2015-08-03 - 2015-08-28	Kärntner Landesarchiv / AT	1291	3017
2015-12-09 - 2015-12-18	Stadtarchiv Langenlois / AT	298	867
2015-12-19 - 2015-12-21	Stadtarchiv Herzogenburg / AT	50	251
2016-01-11 -	Staatsarchiv Ludwigsburg / DE	5231	12514
	Gesamt	7670	18964

2. Monasterium

In May 2016 596253 charters with a total of 797251 digital images are available online via Monasterium.net. In the observed period (June 2015 - May 2016) charters from the following archives have been added to our database:



	Archive	Charters		
IT	Potenza, Archivio di Stato			
IT	Biblioteca Vallicelliana			
IT	Napoli, Biblioteca della Società Napoletana di Storia Patria			
DE	E Hildesheim, Bistumsarchiv			
SK	SK Archív hlavného mesta SR Bratislavy			
DE	München, Ludwig Maximilians-Universität, Universitätsarchiv			
AT	Langenlois, Stadtarchiv	293		
AT	Kärntner Landesarchiv	1237		
CZ	Diecézní archiv Biskupství brněnského			
AT	Archiv der Diözese Gurk	1562		
CZ	Zemský archiv v Opavě	246		
HU	Magyar Nemzeti Levéltár	115152		
	Total	127217		

3. Matricula

ICARUS coordinates on behalf of the St. Pölten Episcopal Archive the platform for church registers www.matricula.info



Within last year the following activities had been carried out:

In the Archdiocese of Vienna, the registers of all 267 parish of the "Weinviertel" are online by now. The digitizing of the registers of the city of Vienna was completed at the end of 2015. Vienna City includes 100 parishes.

In the observed period the registers of the Upper Austrian State Archive in Linz has been relaunched.

The country Poland has 4 Parishes online.

The online database covering the entries of the sacramental registers of the diocese of Passau/Germany and available via the GenTeam portal (http://www.genteam.at), and still not yet complete, contains now more than 3 million of entries (baptism, wedding, death); in 2015, some 8.000-12.000 users per month have used the database for a yearly total of ca. 750.000 queries.

The number of monthly users is furthermore stable at approx. 100.000 per month.

The digitization time schedule is available here: http://icar-us.eu/cooperation/online-portals/matricula/general-information/time-schedule

4. The Topotheque

Beside "Monasterium" and "Matricula" the "Topotheque" is the third huge online resource run by ICARUS. This online platform is dedicated to mainly privately owned material (photographs, documents, audio and video files) connected with the local history of a region, that - like the parchment charters and the register books - can be accessed easily by everyone free of charge.



Due to a decentralised organisational structure one commune/village as the smallest unit of local administration runs its own Topotheque. The content is managed by local volunteers rooted in the village with good knowledge of the local history. They do the scanning work and create the necessary metadata (datation, location, key-wording). ICARUS is responsible for the technical infrastructure and the maintenance and the development of the system.

At present (May 2016) 75 Topotheques are already online, most of them in Lower Austria (48), others in Upper Austria (15), Vienna (5) and Burgenland (2). Outside of Austria there are Topotheques in Bavaria (2), Czech Republic (2) and Croatia (1).

Since November 2015 the Topotheque is officially supported by the provincial government of Lower Austria and is in close cooperation with the Provincial Archive of Lower Austria in St. Pölten.

5. EU-funded projects

5.1 Concluded projects

a) "European Network on Archival Cooperation" (ENArC)

The long-term project came to an end in 2015 at the conference in Prague (CZ) at Břevnov Archabbey on 27-29 April 2015, co-organized by the Czech National Archives and was made possible as a final result of the activities and efforts that have been successfully accomplished within the ENArC-project. The conference reviewed the knowledge and



experience gained as a result of the ENArC-project and furthermore explored corresponding topics of education in the Digital Age (using platforms like Monasterium), crowd-sourcing, harvesting of private archival material and its implication on perceiving and experiencing history, the benefits of Public Private Partnerships, digital genealogical research and cadastral maps as well as the technological development and user-side of such platforms as Monasterium and Matricula.

The partners can look back on a highly successful cooperation and networking experience, resulting in various national and international events and a growth of freely available digital archival material online.

The finalization of the project was accompanied by a major administrative workload handled by the Coordinator, supported by ICARUS, and the partners - financial and progress reports, as well as a project evaluation covering the whole project's life time were compiled and delivered to the Executive Agency in Brussels in order to receive the last part of the funding. Additionally, the financial report was audited by an uninvolved third party - an internationally connected auditing firm in Vienna in close cooperation with the Coordinator.

Duration: 01.11.2010 – 30.04.2015 Lead: Episcopal Archive St. Pölten

Project partners: ICARUS, General Directory of the Bavarian State Archives (DE),

Czech National Archives in Prague (CZ), Ministry of Interior of the

Slovak Republic

Hungary (HU), Budapest City Archives (HU), Archives of the Republic of Slovenia (SI), Institute for Balkan Studies of the Serbian Academy of Science and Art (RS), Higher School of Pisa (IT), Naples University Federico II (IT), Croatian State Archives (HR), University of Cologne (DE), Spanish Ministry of Culture, Subdirectory general of the State

Archives (ES)

Funding Programme: Culture Programme 2007-2013

Website: http://enarc.icar-us.eu/

- Slovak I

b) Archives Portal Europe network of eXcellence (APEx)

From 01 March 2012 til 30 September 2015 ICARUS was partner in the Archives Portal Europe network of excellence – APEx-project. It was an European-based Best Practice Network project aiming at expanding, enriching, enhancing and sustaining the Archives Portal Europe. APEx was the joint effort of the already participating European archives and



those archival institutions yet to become partners which expanded the Archives Portal Europe and got the archival landscape in shape for the quickly advancing digital future of our society.

APEx was the framework for European archives to collaborate for wider and enhanced accessibility of their content on the web. It continued the work of the APEnet project (2009–2012) in which 19 European national archives and Europeana established and released the Archives Portal Europe. With the continued expansion and enhancement of the Archives Portal Europe – in terms of participating countries and institutions, plus available content and services – APEx contributed to the development of a coherent digital infrastructure which opened up the portal to our common cultural heritage of archives, equally accessible for citizens, researchers, businesses and governments alike.

ICARUS was actively contributing to the WP5 – Tools & Support, WP6 – Usability & Web 2.0 and WP7 – Dissemination & Training and WP8 - Sustainability.

The project was prolonged until 30 September 2015 and was concluded with a final conference in Budapest from 7-9 September 2015. Details on this conference can be found on the project website. ICARUS was granted a prolongation of man hours until the project end and was actively involved in organising the final conference and continuoued its work in WP5, WP6, WP7 and WP8 accordingly.

Duration: 01 March 2012 - 30 September 2015 Lead: National Archives of the Netherlands

Funding programme: Information and Technology Policy Support Programme (ICT-PSP)

Project website: www.apex-project.eu

Website: www.archivesportaleurope.net

c) Archivum Rhenanum

Transnational network of digital historic sources: archives as memories of the historically grown landscape of the Upper Rhine.

The participating archives and further project partners intended to virtually reunite the historic memory of the Upper Rhine region and thereby overcome established barriers at all levels. This project aimed at offering the general public and access to their "memory" by providing up-to-date explanations, consistent bilingualism (German and French) and new media (digitization, online offerings and services, bilingual communication platforms).

Duration: 2013 – 2015/6

Lead: City Archives Freiburg, Germany

Project partners: City Archives Speyer; Generallandesarchiv Karlsruhe (Germany),

Archives departementales Haut-Rhin, Archives departementales

Bas-Rhin (France)

Funding programme: Interreg 4a, Upper Rhine (up to 2015)

Website: <u>www.archives.hypotheses.org</u>

Portal: http://www.port1.portal-archivum-rhenanum.eu

5.2. Current projects

a) community as opportunity: the creative archives' and users' network

The EU-funded project "community as opportunity – the creative users' and archives' network" (co:op) was officially inaugurated with a first Kick-Off Meeting at Břevnov Archabbey in Prague (CZ) on 27-29 April 2015.



co:op is an international project comprised of 17 archival and scientific institutions from 12 European countries and aims at strengthening transnational cooperation between archives and their users. A variety of creative, pedagogical and didactic activities will further not only the safekeeping of our shared European history but even more explore this shared history of ours, lowering thresholds between institutions and user communities.

Detailed information on the project aims and the planned activities is available on the project's homepage.

Currently the Lead Partner - in close cooperation with ICARUS - is compiling the first interim report which will be submitted in summer 2016.

Duration: 01.12.2014 – 30.11.2018

Lead: Hessian State Archives in Marburg, Germany

Project partners: International Centre for Archival Research (ICARUS), National

Archives of Hungary (MNL) HU, Budapest City Archives (BFL) HU, National Archives of the Czech Republic (NACR) CZ, Croatian State Archives (HDA) HR, Swedish National Archives (RA) SE, Finnish National Archives (NA) FI, National Archives of Estonia (NAE) EE, General Directorate of Archives Munich (GDA) DE, Archive of the Diocese of St. Pölten (DASP) AT, Historical Archives of Bizkaia (AHEB-BEHA) ES, Universidad Complutense de Madrid (UCM) ES, University of Naples Federico II (UNINA) IT, University Graz (UNI Graz) AT, University of Cologne (UCO) DE, Balkan Institute SANU

(BISANU) RS

Funding programme: Creative Europe Programme, Category 2 – Cooperation Projects

Website: <u>www.coop-project.eu</u>

b) Pro Domo - Database of the Austrian Religious Clergy

The project aims at establishing a database containing biographical data of members of the Austrian Religious Clerus.

Phase I (until summer 2016): Processing of the so-called "Projessjahre" 1700-1800 from 6 Austrian monasteries carried out by three research assistants (temporary contract). Phase I will be concluded by activating the online search mask at the "Hochfest Kreuzerhöhung" 2016. From that moment on it will be possible to search online and free of charge for biographical data on any person from these 6 monasteries that have taken their vows in the 18th century. Furthermore, ProDomo will not only be a database for biographical data but also capture the richness of sources regarding the Regular Clergy. Pictorial representations, scanned letters, writing samples, emblems, and even recorded musical compositions will be retrievable online. The search engine will enable a timeline s for every monastery; a geo-coding of the individual monasteries and Regular Clergy members will also be possible. Search possibilities for place of birth, pen pals, links to other databases like Monasterium (charters) are also envisioned.

Many estimated historian are committed to advance ProDomo since the concept itself is highly relevant for historical research. Dr. Andreas Zajic, teaching Modern Times Palaeography, Heraldic and Genealogy at the University of Vienna (AT), submitted a 3-year project "Prosopographical Database of Monasticism – Statistical Analysis and Tools (PRODOMO SAT" to the Volkswagen Foundation.

If the project gets accepted, ProDomo will be sustained financially for the near future. Further sustainability is being ensured by Thomas Aigner, president of ICARUS, by anchoring the project within the ICARUS consortium. ProDomo will be present at the COST conference "Reassembling the Republic of Letters, 1500–1800: A digital framework for multi-lateral collaboration on Europe's intellectual history" in June 2016, organized by Dr. Thomas Wallnig. Wallnig and his team have been rewarded international recognition for their edition of the Pez letters (Melk, AT).

Further cooperation with an existing database in the Czech Republic is in the works. On 10 November 2016 the colloquium "historico-criticum" will take place in Vienna (AT), possibly with members from the Germania Sacra.

Duration: on-going since 2014

Financing: Erzabtei St. Peter (Salzburg), Zisterzienserabtei Lilienfeld,

Zisterzienserstift Lilienfeld, Augustiner-Chorherrenstift Klosterneuburg,

Superiorenkonferenz der österreichischen Männerorden, Prämonstratenserstift Schlägl, Diözesanarchiv St. Pölten

b) MCelIA – Interdisciplinary studies on the former Benedictine Monastery (Klein-)Mariazell in Austria

The project aims to comprehensively explore the former Benedictine Monastery (Klein-)Mariazell in Austria, 50 kilometres South-West from Vienna (AT). The project team is currently comprised of 20 people from various disciplines. The research results are continuously being published on the Blog mcella.hypotheses.org and the topotheque kloster-mariazell.topothek.at.

A special series of books "Beiträge zu Geschichte, Kunst und Kultur des ehem. Benediktinerstiftes Mariazell in Österreich" is dedicated to print selected studies. The first volume was published in fall 2014: "Zwischen den Zeiten. Der leidende Heiland in der Dornau (Thenneberg)", published by Thomas Aigner and Andreas Gamerith.

The majority of the project's focus lies on the academic research and analysis of the extensive excavations dating from 1995-1998 of the former abbey church. A team of 4 archaeologists is dedicated to this specific tasks until 2019.

Duration: on-going since 2014

Financing: Cultural Department of Lower Austria, Austrian National Heritage

Agency, private funding

6. Further activities

There are 3 projects ICARUS is currently involved in:

- CIAp! Claustra Aperta: Project proposal submission within the EU Programme "Creative Europe", submitted October 2014. The project has been rejected but an updated version of the project will be re-submitted in October 2017.
- 2. The projects "Mare Balticum" and "Autenticum" are currently being developed. The projects have been initiated within the ICARUS-Meeting #14 in Colmar (FR) and are being further developed at the ICARUS-Meeting #15 in Prague (CZ). It remains to be seen if and if so, which one(s) will be submitted to the EU.
- 3. The project "Sustainable Urban Life", submitted in fall 2015 within the Danube Transnational Programme (Interreg), has been rejected and will not be re-submitted.
- 4. On the 24th of November 2015, together with Father Najeeb Michaeel, we established the "Chaldean Heritage Work Group", which on the one hand serves as a symbol of our solidarity with our colleagues in Iraq and, on the other hand, is going to get very tangible projects for co-operation and support under way. The collaboration was mainly initiated thanks to the energetic efforts of the Croatian State Archives.

6.1 ICARUS magazine "insights"

In early 2015 ICARUS initiated a further activity to advance the teamwork and knowledge exchange between archives and their communities: the magazine insights. It provides information about the international archival community today, including archival institutions as well as the related user groups.

insights aims at shedding light on not only the host of institutions which make up the international network of ICARUS, but also the people in the ICARUS4all community. insights bridges and aggregates the experiences and knowledge of both spheres and strives to inform them of each other by closely cooperating with the archival community that consists of archival institutions and their users alike.

The cover story, interviews, project presentations, ICARUS partner presentations, scientific articles, news from the community, the periodic column on the topic of forgetting, collecting and organizing and, of course, the events' calendar span the multi-faceted arc across both worlds.

The magazine is issued bi-annually (April/October) in Germand and English. The current issue (01/2016) features a special focus on "Europe's cultural heritage in the Middle East between threat and rescue" resulting from the ICARUS-Meeting #16 in St. Pölten (AT) in fall 2016 where the "Chaldean Heritage Work Group" was founded in cooperation with Father Michaeel Najeeb.

Conditions of purchase:

Membership in the Friends Association ICARUS4all and ICARUS entitles to an automatic free subscription.

Magazine covers 01-2015, 02-2015, 01-2016:



7. Friends Association ICARUS4all

The friends' association ICARUS4all was founded on 14 April 2014 as another main pillar of developing a financial security for ICARUS beyond its participation in funded projects.

Private persons now have the opportunity to support ICARUS and its platforms with a yearly membership fee either as full or supporting members:

Membership fees:

Full Members: €35,00,-/year

Reduced: € 10,00,- / year

Supporting members: min. €300,-/year

The members of ICARUS4all are all the people behind the network who support the aims and activities of ICARUS. The friends' association is open for everyone who wants to contribute to sustainably and independently secure the services of ICARUS' digital archives and who wants to help to continuously develop new projects within ICARUS. Therefore members form the backbone of a sustainable hedging of ICARUS, the availabilities of its digital internet offerings and development of new projects. In the near future ICARUS4all additionally wants to develop a strategy to gain financial support by companies through different kinds of company partnerships.

Advantages of the membership:

As a special motivation to become part of ICARUS4all all members have the opportunity to look behind the scenes of European archives and research institutions at various events (excursions, presentations, round tables), they receive the ICARUS magazine *insights* as well as regular newsletters for free, and they can actively co-shape ICARUS4all by introducing their propositions, suggestions and perspectives.

a) Activities 2015 - May 2016

In 2015 ICARUS4all organised field-trips for its members to the Moravian Provincial Archives Brno (CZ) (May 2015), to the State Regional Archives Třeboň (CZ) (Oct 2015) and to the

Bavarian Main State Archive (Mai 2016). Furthermore, ICARUS4all invented a new activity, called "Spätsommerfest" (late summer party). It took place at the monastery of Geras (AUT) on the 19th September 2015 and followed the motto: "Bring your history!". More than hundred participants visited the monastery and took part at talking circles with experts from archives. Furthermore, ICARUS4all members used the chance to present their research to an interested public. It turned out to be a very good format to bring ICARUS4all-members and experts from institutions together in order to exchange knowledge. The outstanding success of the late summer party motivates ICARUS4all to repeat the late summer party in September 2016. In November, all ICARUS4all-members were invited to Melk Abbey to participate at a Round-Table about the perspectives and visions of Central European archives in the digital age.

All members, as well as the executive and the advisory board were invited to attend to the general assembly at the Upper Austrian Archives (AUT) in October 2015. One of the main topics that had to be discussed was a relaunch of the ICARUS4all-folder and the ICARUS4all-logo.

b) New folder and logo

Following the ongoing discussions about the actual folder and e.g. the wish for more clearness and distinction to make the difference between ICARUS and ICARUS4all more visible, the team developed a new design of the folder and a new logo. It's based on a board discussion-process between ICARUS4all, its members, the executive and the advisory board.

The new logo:



In order to optimize further activity and to get an insight to the expectations of its members, ICARUS4all carried out a survey in March 2016. After one week, 188 members answered which is an participation of around 40 percent. The outcomes of the survey will be taken into account as well as possible.

c) Management of ICARUS4all

The management is incumbent upon the Executive Board, chaired by the President, who is in charge of the ongoing business activities and acts as the Association's main representative. He is supported by two Vice-Presidents. The treasurer, the secretary and their proxies, as well as the co-opted members complete the Board. The Executive Board was elected by the General Assembly on May 7, 2014 in the Archives of Upper Austria. In addition to the Executive Board the Advisory Board serves as a consulting committee on matters related to scientific and economic issues and consists of representatives from important stakeholders of the European archival landscape.

Executive Board:

President: Lorenz Mikoletzky (Former director general, Austrian State Archives)
Vicepresident: Margit Ksoll-Marcon (Director general, State Archives of Bavaria)
Vicepresident: Gerhart Marckhgott (Director, Upper Austrian State Archives)

Secretary: Alexander Schatek (Project leader Topotheque)
Secretary deputy: Cornelia Sulzbacher (Upper Austrian State Archives)
Treasurer: Heidemarie Bachhofer (Diocesan Archives St. Pölten)

Treasurer deputy: Rainer Hunger (Visualhistory.tv)

Auditor: Herbert Wurster (Director, Archives of the Diocese of Passau)
Ex officio: Thomas Aigner (Director, Diocesan Archives St. Pölten)

Coopted: Willibald Rosner (Director, Lower Austrian State Archives), Manfred

Tschaikner (Vorarlberg State Archives), Hubert Schopf (Salzburg State

Archives)

Advisory Board (alphabetical order):

• Helmut Böhm (Association for research into East Bavarian History)

- Tomas Cernusak (Moravian State Archive; Association for regional historical studies Brno)
- Karl Fischer (Association for historical studies Vienna)
- Gerhard Floßmann (Lower Austrian "Bildungs-und Heimatwerk")
- Georg Gaugusch (Heraldic-Genealogical Society Adler)
- Felix Gundacker (Gen Team)
- Elisabeth Kreuzwieser (Network of Upper Austrian Museums)
- Günter Ofner (Familia Austria)
- Wolfgang Pledl (Bavarian Association for preservation of regional history)
- Willibald Rosner (Director, Lower Austrian State Archives; Society for regional historical studies in Lower Austria)
- Christina Schmid (Society for regional studies and preservation of historical monuments Upper Austria)
- Hubert Schopf (State Archives Salzburg; Society for regional and historical studies Salzburg)
- Juraj Sedivy (Comenius University Bratislava)
- Michael Stephan (Director, City Archives Munich; Historical Association Upper Bavaria)
- Gerhard Tausche (Director, City Archive Landshut; Historical Association for Lower Bavaria)
- Manfred Wegele (Bavarian Association for family history, DAGV)
- Thomas Winkelbauer (Director, Austrian Institute of Historical Research)

Besides the general assembly in October 2015, ICARUS4all invited its executive and advisory board to a joint meeting in May 2016.

d) Dissemination

In order to increase the number of members, ICARUS4all planned and has accomplished already parts of a dissemination plan including marketing actions like implementing the website 4all.icar-us.eu, printing folders/posters, distribution of the marketing material (via postal services, email, at events etc.), postings on social networks and websites, collaboration with other societies as well as lectures at various events. The first events for the members of ICARUS4all were planned for May and October 2015 (excursions to the Moravian Provinical Archives in Brno and the State Regional Archives in Třeboň).

Additionally, ICARUS4all developed ideas at a small size but with a broader effect with the end of 2015 to gain new members.

Until 6the May 2016 the friends association 487 members. Further information as well as the application form can be found on the website http://icar-us.eu/icarus4all.

8. Events

All events (lectures, workshops, conferences etc.) can be viewed in our Event Calendar: http://icar-us.eu/events

9. Press and Public Relation activities

The time between June 2015 and May 2016 was a very successful one in terms of media awareness for ICARUS. There were five major events that we communicated through print, television, radio and social media: the ICARUS4all late summer party in Geras Abbey/Lower Austria (September 19), the exhibition "Woiwodschaft Serbien and Temeser Banat" (Marchtrenk/Upper Austria, October 26), the ICARUS meeting#16 including the international workshop "The cultural heritage of the Middle East: Current threats and scenarios for protection in the future" (St. Pölten, November 23-25), the kick-off event "Topothek wird NÖ Landesprojekt" (St. Pölten, April 12) and the workshop "Freedom for information. OpenGLAM" (Linz, May 2).

Through constant networking we managed to establish a pool of journalists from the science departments of various media, who frequently reported about our events. (see: http://icarus.eu/en/pressebereich/recent-media-coverage) Furthermore we also tried to involve our community actively into our press acitivities - especially those hobby researchers that had already been active on facebook before, i.e. hobby genealogists, regional researchers and those people in charge of a topotheque. This way we reached even broader audiences on a local level ("Bezirksblätter", community newspapers, websites of villages, towns or whole regions). The "highlights" of our media coverage in 2015/2016 so far have been a tv contribution on the national television station ORF on the Topotheque event and a press release by the Austrian Press Agency (APA) on our late summer party.

Another aspect of the press and public relations field of work was the development of the "insights"-magazine. We published the second and the third issue during the course of the year and have already started working on issue four. Press work included networking with potential writers, editing and proofreading of texts as well as writing texts ourselves and creating the necessary picture material. We collected a vast stock of images during all our events this year, which has been used for many purposes.

Last but not least, the documentation of all our press activities was continued in the same way as the year before. In the press area of our website we created galleries for chosen images, collected our press releases and all our national and international media coverage. (http://icar-us.eu/pressebereich)

10. Web statistics

Websites Visitors	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016 so far
icar-us.eu	183.000	383.158	479.143	1.415.444	419.041
MOM Startpage	344.000	166.479	192.237	30.154	13.736
MOM data	47.000	61.362	58.272	134.178	55.244
Matricula Startpage	193.000	3.204.336	1.601.683	822.555	354.788
Matricula data				807.602	471.611

III. Attachment

Members

Albania

• General Directorate of Albanian Archives / Drejtoria e Përgjithshme e Arkivave

Austria

- Archives of the Archdiocese of Salzburg / Archiv der Erzdiözese Salzburg
- Archives of the City of Bregenz / Archiv der Landeshauptstadt Bregenz ALB)
- Archives of the Benedictine monastery Kremsmünster / Archiv des Benediktinerstiftes Kremsmünster
- Archives of the University Vienna / Archiv der Universität Wien
- Central Archives of the Teutonic Order / Deutsch-Ordens Zentralarchiv
- Diocesan Archives St. Pölten / Diözesanarchiv St. Pölten
- European Research Centre for Book and Paper Conservation-Restoration
- Community Archives Pupping / Gemeindearchiv Pupping
- Institute for Jewish History in Austria / Institut für jüdische Geschichte Österreichs
- The Austrian Institute of Historical Research / Institut für Österreichische Geschichtsforschung
- Monastery archives Pupping / Klosterarchiv Pupping
- Middle High German word database, University Salzburg / Mittelhochdeutsche Begriffsdatenbank, Universität Salzburg
- Lower Austrian State Archives / Niederösterreichisches Landesarchiv
- Upper Austrian State Archives / Oberösterreichisches Landesarchiv
- Austrian State Archives / Österreichisches Staatsarchiv
- State Archives Salzburg / Salzburger Landesarchiv
- City Archives Dornbirn / Stadtarchiv Dornbirn
- Styrian State Archives / Steiermärkisches Landesarchiv
- State Archives Vorarlberg / Vorarlberger Landesarchiv
- Austrian Archeological Institute / Österreichisches Archäologisches Institut
- Centre for Information Modelling Austrian Centre for Digital Humanities, University Graz
 / Zentrum für Informationsmodellierung in den Geisteswissenschaften (ZIM:IG) an der Karl-Franzens-Universität Graz
- University Archives of the Art University Graz / Universitätsarchiv der Kunstuniversität Graz
- State Archives of Carinthia / Kärtner Landesarchiv
- Institute for History, University Vienna / Institut für Geschichte, Universität Wien
- Archives of the Protestant Church in Austria / Archiv der Evangelischen Kirche in Österreich im Kirchenamt A.B., Abt. Matrikenwesen, Archivwesen, Bibliothek
- Archives and library of the Benedictine monastery Admont / Archiv und Bibliothek des Benediktinerstiftes Admont

Belgium

- National movements & Intermediary Structures in Europe (NISE)
- Archive-, Documentation & Research Centre (ADVN) / Archief-, Documentatie- & Onderzoekscentrum

Bosnia and Herzegovina

- Archives of Bosnia and Herzegovina / Arhiv Bosne i Hercegovine"
- Archives of Canton Tuzla / Arhiv Tuzlanskog Kantona
- The Historical Archives of Sarajevo / Javna ustanova Historijski arhiv Sarajevo
- The Archives of the Republic of Srpska

Bulgaria

- Institute for Literature, Bulgarian Academy of Science
- Archives State Agency of the Republic of Bulgaria / ДЪРЖАВНА АГЕНЦИЯ "АРХИВИ"
- Faculty of History at Sofia University "St. Kliment Ohrdski"

Canada

- Library of Vallicelliana / Biblioteca Vallicelliana
- Archival Studies, School of Library, Archival and Information Studies, The University of British Columbia
- The InterPARES Project, School of Library, Archival & Information Studies, The University of British Columbia
- Faculty of Information, University of Toronto

Czech Republic

- Archives of the Castle Prague
- Department of History, Faculty of Humanities, University Jana Evangelisty Purkyně / Univerzita Jana Evangelisty Purkyně
- Institute of archival sciences and historical auxiliary sciences of the Faculty of Philosophy, University of South Bohemia in České Budějovice / Filozofické fakulty Jihočeské univerzity v Českých Budějovicích
- Moravian Provincial Archives in Brno / Moravský zemský archiv v Brně
- Czech National Archives / Národní Archív v Praze
- National Museum / Národní muzeum
- Regional State Archives Pilsen / Státní oblastní archiv v Plzni
- State Regional Archives Třeboň / Státní oblastní archiv v Třeboni
- Institute for history and Archives of the Charles-University in Prague
- Ústav dějin UK a archiv UK- Univerzita Karlova v Praze
- State Archives Opava / Zemský archiv v Opavě
- Monastery Strahov / Královská Kanonie Premonstrátů Na Strahově
- TOLEDOT Centre for Jewish Genealogy
- University of Hradec Králové Philosophical Faculty / Univerzita Hradec Králové -Filozofická Fakulta

Croatia

- Croatian National Archives / Hrvatski državni arhiv
- State Archives Pazin / Državni arhiv u Pazinu
- State Archives Šibenik / Državni arhiv u Šibeniku
- State Archives Split / Državni arhiv u Splitu
- State Archives Zagreb / Državni arhiv u Zagrebu
- State Archives Osijek / Državni arhiv u Osijeku
- University of Zagreb, Faculty of Philosophy / Filozofski fakultet Sveučilišta u Zagrebu
- Institute for quality and human resource development
- University of Zadar, Dep. of Information Sciences / Sveučilište u Zadru
- The Istrian archival society IAD / Istarsko arhivističko drušvo
- State Archives Zadar / Drzavni arhiv u Zadru
- National Archives in Dubrovnik / Državni arhiv u Dubrovniku
- Museum of Slavonia / Muzeo Slavonide

Denmark

- Danish National Archives / Statens Arkiver
- City Archives Frederikshavn / Frederikshavn Stadsarkiv
- City Archives of the Municipality Frederikssund / Stadsarkivet for Frederikssund Kommune

Estonia

The National Archives of Estonia / Rahvusarhiv

Finland

- Department of Italian Language and Culture at the University of Turku / Dipartimento di Lingua e Cultura Italiana dell'Università di Turku
- The Nationals Archives of Finland / Kansallisarkisto
- University of Jyväskylä / Jyväskylän Yliopisto, Kieleten Laitos, Romaaniset ja lassiset kielet

France

- The Institut de recherche et d'histoire des textes (IRHT) / (Institut de Recherche et d'Histoire des Textes
- The École nationale des chartes

Georgia

- The National Archives of the Ministry of Justice of Georgia
- National Centre of Manuscripts

Germany

- Archives of the Diocese of Augsburg / Archiv des Bistums Augsburg
- Archives of the Diocese of Passau / Archiv des Bistums Passau
- Archives of the Protestant Church in the Rhineland / Archiv der evangelischen Kirche im Rheinland
- Bavarian State Library / Bayerische Staatsbibliothek
- State Archives of Bavaria / Staatliche Archive Bayerns
- Archives of the Diocese of Hildesheim / Bistumsarchiv Hildesheim
- Hessian State Archives / Hessisches Landesarchiv
- Historical and Cultural Information Processing, University of Cologne / Historisch-Kulturwissenschaftliche Informationsverarbeitung, Universität Köln
- State Archives of Baden-Württemberg / Landesarchiv Baden-Württemberg
- Archives of the Landeskirche Kassel / Landeskirchliches Archiv Kassel
- Archives of the Landeskirche Schwerin / Landeskirchliches Archiv Schwerin
- Ludwig-Maximilians-University, Department of History / Ludwig-Maximilians-Universität, Historisches Seminar, Abt. Historische Grundwissenschaften und Historische Medienkunde
- Saxon State Archives / Sächsisches Staatsarchiv
- City Archives Linz am Rhein / Stadtarchiv Linz am Rhein
- Archives of the Katharinenspitalstiftung Regensburg / Spitalarchiv Regensburg
- City Archives Nuremberg / Stadtarchiv Nürnberg
- City Archives Nordhausen / Stadtarchiv Nordhausen
- City Archives Speyer / Stadtarchiv Speyer
- University library Heidelberg / Universitätsbibliothek Heidelberg
- Central Archives of the Protestant Church of Pfalz / Zentralarchiv der Evangelischen Kirche der Pfalz, Protestantische Landeskirche
- Central Archives of the Protestant church of Hessen & Nassau / Zentralarchiv der Evangelischen Kirche in Hessen und Nassau
- University Passau Digital Humanities / Universität Passau Digital Humanities
- Apparatus diplomaticus Gottingensis (Diplomatic apparatus) / Apparatus diplomaticus Gottingensis-Diplomatischer Apparat
- University Archives, Ruprecht-Karls_University Heidelberg / Universitätsarchiv, Ruprecht-Karls-Universitäts Heidelberg
- Archival network Bautzen-City and State Archives / Archivverbund Bautzen Stadtarchiv Staatsfilialarchiv; Archiwny Zwjazk Budyšin
- Cologne Centre for eHumanities (CCeH)
- Administration of the Communial Archives Rheinland-Pfalz; Communal Archive Koblenz / Landesarchivverwaltung Rheinland-Pfalz; Landeshauptarchiv Koblenz
- Verein für Computergenealogie e.V. / German Genealogic Society
- State Archives Hamburg / Staatsarchiv der Freien und Hansestadt Hamburg

- Deutsche Arbeitsgemeinschaft genealogischer Verbände e.V. (DAGV)
- Archivschule Marburg / Archives School Marburg

Greece

- Department of Theatre Studies, University of the Peloponnese
- Hungary
- Budapest City Archives / Budapest Főváros Levéltára
- Generell Archives in Sopron / Győr-Moson-Sopron Megye Soproni Levéltára
- Hungarian National Archives / Magyar Országos Levéltár
- Tatabánya City Archive / Tatabánya Megyei Jogú Város Levéltára
- Archives Vas Megyei / Vas Megyei Levéltár
- Diocesen Archives Veszprem / Veszprémi Érseki és Főkáptalani Levéltár

Italy

- Association of Italien Archives ANAI / Associazione Nazionale Archivistica Italiana -ANAI
- State Archives Benevento / Archivio di Stato di Benevento
- State Archives Cagliari / Archivio di Stato di Cagliari
- State Archives Florence / Archivio di Stato di Firenze
- State Archive Potenza / Archivio di Stato di Potenza
- State Archives Naples / Archivio di Stato di Napoli
- Archdiocese of Reggio Calabria / Arcidiocesi di Reggio Calabria Bova
- Library Cathariniana of the Archbishop's Seminary St. Catherine d'Allesandia / Biblioteca Cathariniana del Seminario Arcivescovile Santa Caterina d' Allesandia
- The Scuola Nomrale Superiore of Pisa, laboratory LARTTE / Scuola Normale Superiore di Pisa, Laboratorio LARTTE
- The Neapolitan Society of National History / La Società Napoletana di Storia Patria
- University of Naples "Federico II", Department of History / Università degli Studi di Napoli "Federico II", Laboratorio di Storia della Documentazione
- University of Naples L\u00ddrientale / Universit\u00e0 degli Studi di Napoli L'Orientale
- University of Rome "La Saienza" Department of Document Studies, Linguistics and Geography / Università degli Studi di Roma "La Sapienza"
- State Archives Bari / Archivio di Stato di Bari
- State Archives Reggio Calabria / Archivio di Stato di Reggio Calabria
- State Archives Catanzaro / Archivio di Stato di Catanzaro
- Municipality of Vitulano

Kosovo

State Archives of Kosovo / Arkivi Shteteror i Kosoves

Macedonia

• State Archives of the Republic of Macedonia / Државен Архив на Република Македонија

Malta

National Archives of Malta

Montenegro

- National Archives of Montenegro / Državni Arhiv Crne Gore
- NOTAR Centre for the Preservation and presentation of Kotor's documentary heritage

Norway

The National Archives of Norway / Arkivverkert

Poland

- Diocesan Archives Kielce / Archiwum Diecezjalne w Kielcach
- Institute for History, University Wrocław / Instytut Historyczny, Uniwersytet Wrocławski
- State Archives in Krakow / Archiwum Państwowe w Krakowie

Portugal

 Study Center for Religious History- Portuguese Catholic University / Centro de Estudos de História Religiosa - Universidad Católica Portuguesa

Romania

- National Archives of Romania / Arhivele Nationale ale României
- Country Consistory of the Protestant Church A.B. in Romania / Landeskonsistorium der Evangelischen Kirche A.B. in Rumänien)"
- Faculty of Archival Sciences of the "Alexandru Ioan Cuza" Academy

Sweden

Swedish National Archives / Riksarkivet

Switzerland

- Archives of the monastery Einsiedeln / Archiv des Klosters Einsiedeln
- Archives of the bishopric St. Gallen / Bischöfliches Archiv St. Gallen
- Foundation for Law Sources of the Swiss Lawyers Association / Rechtsquellenstiftung des Schweizerischen Juristenvereins
- City Archives St. Gallen / Stadtarchiv der Ortsbürgergemeinde St. Gallen
- Abbey Archives St. Gallen / Stiftsarchiv St. Gallen
- State Archives of the Canton Zurich / Staatsarchiv des Kantons Zürich
- State Archives St. Gallen / Staatsarchiv St. Gallen
- Digital Humanities Laboratory (DHLAB)

Serbia

- Archives of the Vojvodina in Novi Sad / Arhiv Vojvodine Novi Sad Архив Војводине
- Balkan Institute of the Serbian Academy of Sciences and Arts SANU / Balkanološki Institut SANU - Srpske akademije nauka i umetnosti
- Centre for advanced medival studies, Belgrade
- Historical Archives of Novi Sad / Istorijski Arhiv Grada Novog Sada
- Historical Archives of Belgrade / Istorijski arhiv Beograda
- Historical Archives of Subotica / Istorijski arhiv Subotica

Slovakia

- Slovak National Archives / Slovenský Národný Archív
- Comenius University in Bratislava / Univerzita Komenského v Bratislave

Slovenia

- Slovenian State Archives / Arhiv Republike Slovenije
- Regional archives Maribor / Pokrajinski arhiv Maribor
- Historical Archives Ptuj / Zgodovinski arhiv na Ptuju
- Archdiocesan Archives Maribor / Nadškofijski arhiv Maribor

Spain

- Municipal historical archives of Escalona Toledo / Archivo Historico Muncipal de Escalona Toledo
- University Complutense in Madrid, Faculty of Geography and History / Universidad Complutense de Madrid, Facultad de Geografía e Historia
- Archive of the Cathedral of Cuenca / Archivo de la Catedral de Cuenca
- Archive of Ecclesiastical History in Bizkaia / Archivo Historico Eclesiastico de Bizkaia / Bizkaiko Elizaren Histori Artxiboa AHEB-BEHA

The Netherlands

- Archives Drenthe / Drents Archief
- Stichting De Domijnen

USA

- UCLA University of California, Los Angeles, Dept. of Information Studies
- Gesher Galicia, Inc

Wales, United Kingdom ■ Swansea University