

# Design of The PORTA EUROPA Portal (PEP) Pilot Project

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# The aim of the project

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- To conceive a federation system to handle heterogeneous data sources
- In the framework of the PEP project
- Goal: to implement a PEP pilot project on a restricted domain - > history

# The problem of heterogeneous data sources



- Different format of data (Text, Audio, Video...)
- Different types in the same format (for example in text format: Pdf, Doc, Txt...)
- Different format to describe data (metadata)
- Different protocols to retrieve data, build services

# Porta Europa Portal pilot project



- **Porta Europa purpose** is to present the EUI (European University Institute) on the Web
  - as a leader in the "European debate"
  - as a natural gateway to high-quality research information in the areas of law, political and social sciences, economics and history
  
- **What is it?** a specific Portal integrated inside the EUI Web Site
  - offering opportunities to link the currently dispersed information sources
  
- **The Pilot Project:** The Library will create the first prototype based on three history projects.

# Voices on Europe - Resource 1/3



- It's an oral Archive of Interviews to Important European personalities - <http://wwwarc.iue.it/webpub/>
- **Details:** Access Database with 5 representative tables, Input made by Staff
- **Today:** interviews papers available in jpeg format (only on CD-ROM) and cassette available only at request to Archive
- **Future:** interview papers available in pdf format (online) and audio available (online with authorised access)

# VL History Project -Resource 2/3



- WWW VL History Project is part of Virtual Library the oldest catalog of the web, started by Tim Berners-Lee - <http://vlib.iue.it/>
- Run by a loose confederation of volunteers, who compile pages of key links for particular areas in which they are expert
- **Today:** 11 main Projects and 6 sub-projects are involved, all pages are in HTML and database is not implemented
- ➔ **The Future:** Create a database, transfer old data, build new and homogeneous output, administration interface.

# Biblio, Innopac - Resource 3/3



- **Biblio is the main catalogue of the EUI Library (more than 260.000 bibliographic records)**  
<http://www.iue.it/LIB/Catalogue/>
- **Based on Innopac Automation System**
- **Today: Staff administrate catalogue, but still some limits on extracting and elaborating data from catalogue**
- **Future: Innopac module, OAI compliant**

# Summary of the three resources



- **Voices on Europe** - Oral Archive of interviews, access database
- **WWW Virtual Library History Project** - Website with a collection of links selected by experts in history fields organized by categories
- **Biblio, Innopac** - Main catalogue of Library of European University Institute - private database



# Analysis of the three resources

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<b>Characterisitic of the archive</b>	<b>Voices on Europe</b>	<b>Virtual Library</b>	<b>Biblio Library catalog</b>
<b>Data Objects</b>	Audio, tran.	HTML pages	Records
<b>Collection of metadata structures</b>	Archive organized in Access DB	Archive is structured in web pages	Proprietary DB, USMARC Format
<b>Collection of services</b>	Access: SQL queries, DB staff management, no log on or statistic	Access: through Web, managed by project admin. No log on or stat.	Information management through INNOPAC Lib. Automation System
<b>Domain focus</b>	European history		
<b>Community of users</b>	Everybody for information Search, Restricted access for full documents consultation, Admin.		

# The adopted approach

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-  Metadata -> Dublin core
  - **International Standard based on XML**
  - **Extensible**
  
-  Protocol -> Open Archives Initiative
  - **Data and Service Provider**
  - **Harvesting (Retrieve data from Repositories)**
  
  - **More details in the project home page**

# Meta Resource Card

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DC element	Voices On Europe	VL History Project	Biblio Innopac
Title	Interviewee's name	Title	Title
Creator	Name of Interviewer	Author	Author
Subject	Level 1,2,3 (eurovoc)	Type 3	Subject
...	...	...	...
Rights	User Profile	Free	User Profile

# User Profile

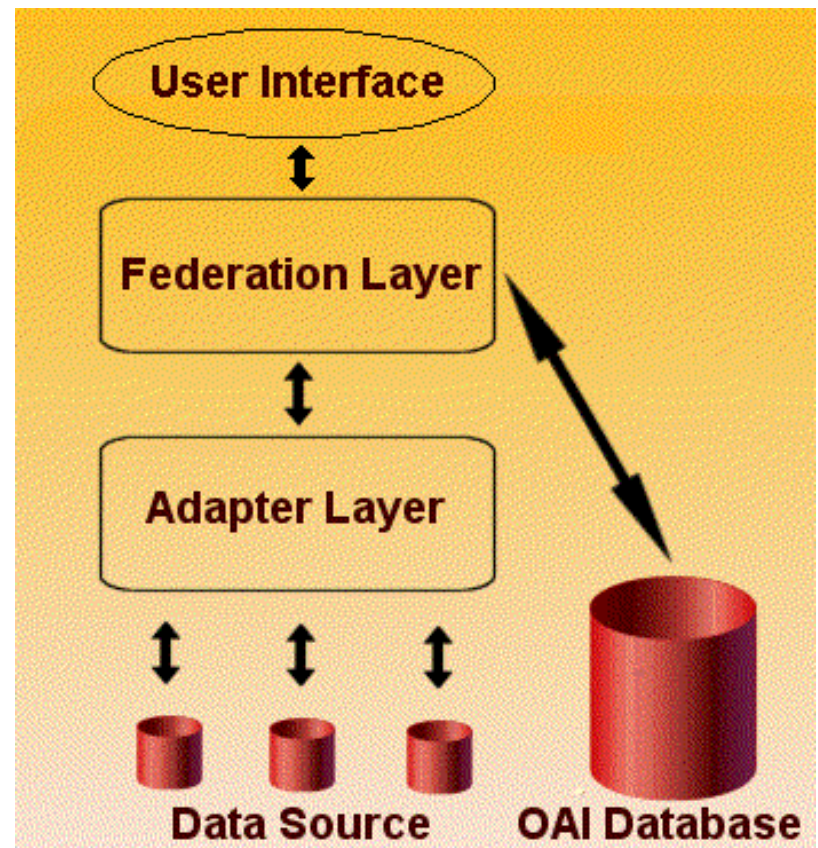
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<b>Function</b>	<b>User</b>
<b>General Administration (Information management)</b>	<b>Administrator and Project leaders</b>
<b>Information search</b>	<b>Public</b>
<b>Full information access</b>	<b>Internal Users (iue members, professors, studends, etc.)</b>
<b>Restricted information access (restriction is due to property right on some resources contained in the archives)</b>	<b>External users, groups of users</b>
<b>Personalised services</b>	<b>Registered users</b>

# Architecture

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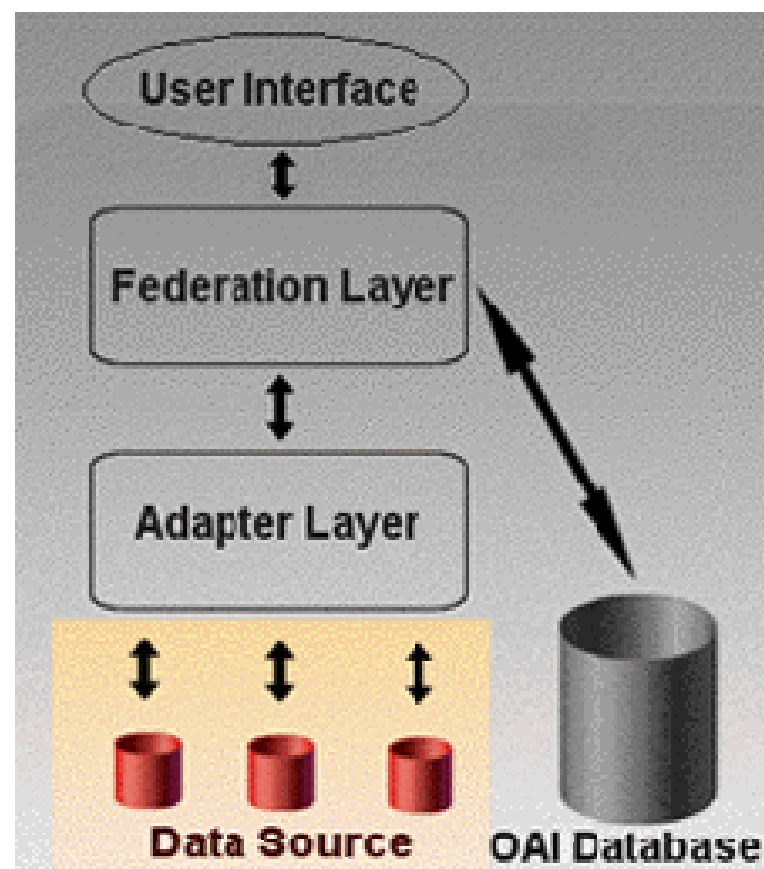
- Layered Structure
- Layer provide services to the upper layer
- OAI federation Database
- Independent data source



# Data Source Layer

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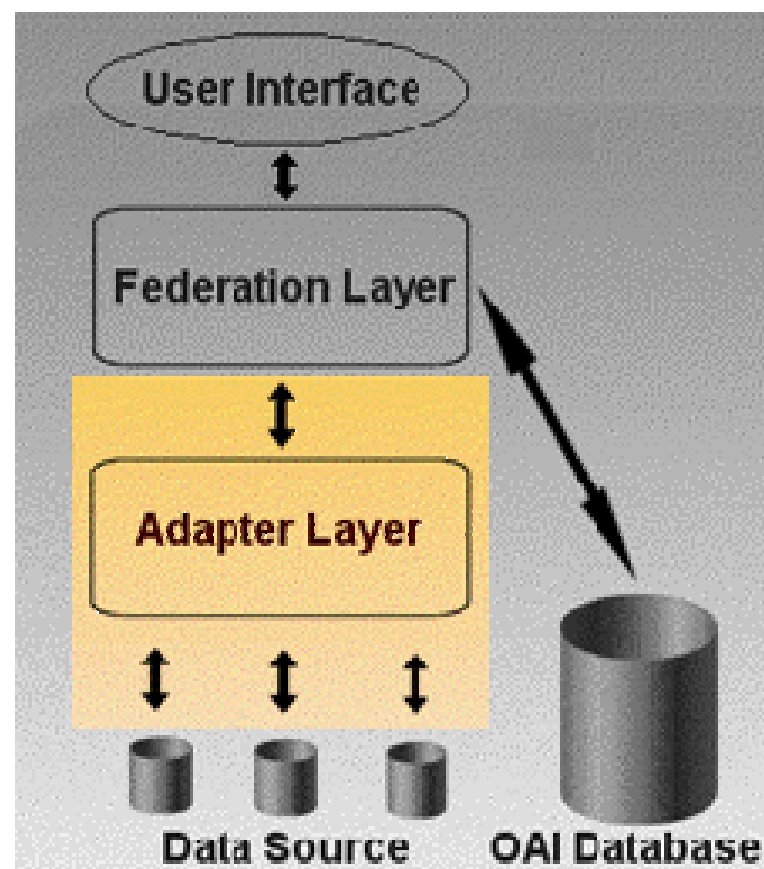
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# Adapter Layer

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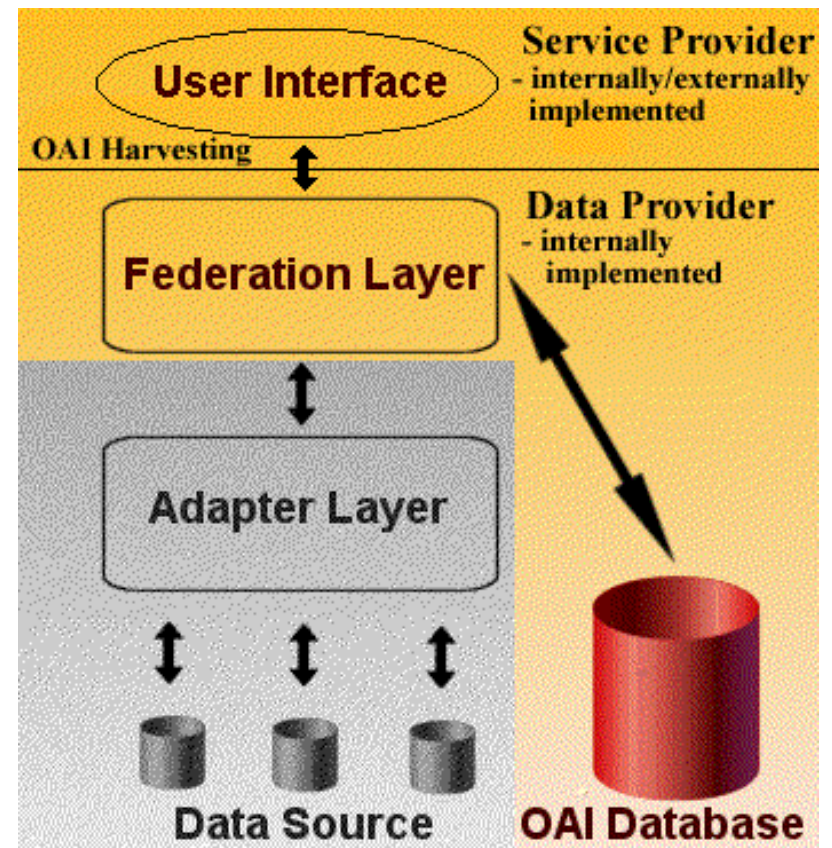
- Extracting tools, SQL queries
- Extracting of data fields
  - automatic process
- Update Frequency
  - occasionally (every day/week/...)



# Federation Layer & User Interface

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- Meta Resource Card that map the fields extracted
- Management of OAI repository
- Implementation of OAI-PMH Protocol
- Communication with user interface (Service Provider)





# Eui, OAI Repository XML Response (request: GetRecord)



```
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8"?>
<OAI-PMH xmlns="http://www.openarchives.org/OAI/2.0/" ← PROTOCOL VERSION (OAI-PMH 2.0)
... ← PROTOCOL NAMESPACE DECLARATIONS, RESPONSE DATE, METADATA PREFIX...
<GetRecord> ← RESPONSE TO GETRECORD REQUEST
... ← HEADER ( IDENTIFIER, DATE, SET)
<metadata> ← METADATA
  <oai_dc:dc ... ← RECORD NAMESPACE DECLARATIONS
    ... http://www.openarchives.org/OAI/2.0/oai_dc.xsd" > ← SCHEMA LOCATION
    <dc:title>titolo1</dc:title> ← DUBLIN CORE METADATA
    <dc:creator>autore</dc:creator>
    <dc:subject>argomento</dc:subject>
    <dc:description>descrizione</dc:description>
    <dc:publisher>editore</dc:publisher>
    <dc:date>data</dc:date>
    <dc:type>tipo</dc:type>
    <dc:format>formato</dc:format>
    <dc:identifier>identificativo</dc:identifier>
    <dc:source>source</dc:source>
    <dc:language>lingua</dc:language>
    <dc:relation>relation</dc:relation>
    <dc:coverage>coverage</dc:coverage>
    <dc:rights>diritti</dc:rights>
  </oai_dc:dc>
</metadata>
... ← CLOSING TAGS
</GetRecord>
</OAI-PMH>
```

# Conclusion

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- **Current state**
  - **Analisis of Resources (data source layer)**
  - **Meta Resource card**
  - **PEP Architecture**
  - **Test of OAI Repository (federation layer)**
- **Work in progress**
  - **Extracting tools (adapter layer)**
  - **User Interface (OAI Service Provider)**
- **PEP Homepage:**  
<http://www.iue.it/Personal/Staff/pirri>

# PEP pilot project Home Page

<http://www.iue.it/Personal/Staff/pirri>

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**EUI - LIB - Porta Europa Portal pilot project - Netscape**

File Edit View Go Communicator Help

Back Forward Reload Home Search Netscape Print Security Shop Stop

Bookmarks Location: <http://www.iue.it/Personal/Staff/pirri/>

## European University Institute Library

Home > Welcome to Porta Europa Portal pilot project

- > **Project Homepage**
- > **Library Homepage**
- > **Article DC**
- > **Resources**
  - Voices on Europe
  - VL History Project
  - Biblio - Innopac
- > **Meta Resource Card**
- > **User Profiles**
- > **PEP Architecture**
- > **OAI Repository DB**
- > **Document Download**
- > **Links**
  - Dublin Core
  - W3C - XML
  - W3C - RDF
  - OAI
- > **Contacts**

### ▲ The Problem: heterogeneous resources

Heterogeneous data collections are growing faster than ever before. Electronic resources are stored using different standards and metadata formats. Audio, video and many other types of information are also involved. Institutions need new solutions to manage with this large amount of data.

### ▲ Article presented at Dublin Core Conference

Access to distributed and heterogeneous Internet resources is coming up as one of the major problem for future development of the next generation of Digital Libraries. Available data sources vary in terms of data representation and access interfaces, therefore a system for federating heterogeneous resources accessible via the Web is considered to be a crucial aspect in digital libraries research and development...(CONTINUE)

### ▲ Resource 2: Virtual Library History Project

The Virtual Library (VL) is the

### ▲ What's Porta Europa?

The main goal of Porta Europa is to present the Institute on the Web as a leader in the "European debate" and a natural gateway to high-quality research information on European issues in the areas of law, political and social sciences, economics and history." So the problem of retrieval data from heterogenous resources is coming up as a crucial issue to be solved.

### ▲ Resource 1: Voices on Europe

An oral history program has been started on the historical archives initiative, in collaboration with the Institute's Department of History and Civilization and with the "Action Jean Monnet Programme" of the Communities...( CONTINUE )

### ▲ Resource 3: Biblio - Innopac

# “Voices on Europe” Mapping



Dublin Core Element	Voices on Europe
Title	Interviewee's surname
Creator	Name of Interviewer
Subject	Level 1,2,3 (eurovoc)
Description	Number of Pages
Publisher	Eui
Contributor	-
Date	Date of recording
Type	Audio/Testo
Format	Pdf
Identifier	Url
Source	-
Language	Language
Relation	Additional Material
Coverage	-
Rights	User Profile

# "Virtual Library History Project" Mapping

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Dublin Core Element	Virtual Library
Title	Title
Creator	Author
Subject	Type 3
Description	Abstract
Publisher	Type 1
Contributor	-
Date	Date of input
Type	Text
Format	Html
Identifier	Url
Source	-
Language	English
Relation	-
Coverage	-
Rights	free

# "Biblio - Innopac" Mapping



<b>Dublin Core Element</b>	<b>Biblio</b>
Title	Title
Creator	Author
Subject	Subject
Description	Note
Publisher	Imprint
Contributor	-
Date	Cat Date
Type	Text
Format	Pdf
Identifier	Isbn
Source	-
Language	Lang
Relation	-
Coverage	-
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<b>Description</b>	Full text Interview	Abstract	Note
<b>Publisher</b>	Eui	Type 1	Imprint
<b>Contributor</b>	-	-	-
<b>Date</b>	Date of recording	Date of insertion	Cat Date
<b>Type</b>	Video/Audio/Testo	Text (Html)	Text
<b>Format</b>	Pdf	Html	Pdf
<b>Identifier</b>	Url	Url	Isbn
<b>Source</b>	-	-	-
<b>Language</b>	Language	English	Lang
<b>Relation</b>	Additional Material	-	-
<b>Coverage</b>	-	-	-
<b>Rights</b>	User Profile	free	User Profile

## “Voices on Europe” - Table Interviews

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Reference code	Collection title	Interviewee's surname	Interviewee's forename	Title
Date of birtd	Place of birtd	Nationality	Sex	Biographical notes
Type of recorder	Total number of tape	Type of format	Type of tape	Speed
Clearance Cassettes	Copyright agreement	Individual consultation	Public broadcast	Partial or entire publication
Pages	Topics-en	Full name	imgfo	appo1
Date(s) of recording (from)	Date(s) of recording (to)	Location of interview	Name of interviewer	Language
Original or copy	Transcription	Number of pages	Additional material	Clearance Transcription
Partial or entire reproduction	Closed until	Names of persons	Comments	Topics
appo2	appo3	appo4	Pages-en	tmp
dd1	mm1	yy1	National program	



# Fields Description



- **Reference Code:** Code that identify the interview
- **Interviewee's surname:** The surname of the person interviewed
- **Interviewee's forename:** The forename of the person interviewed
- **Date(s) of recording (from):** The date of startin of interview
- **Name of interviewer:** The name of the person that made the interview
- **Language:** The language of the interviewed person
- **Number of pages:** The number of pages where the interviewed person is mentioned
- **Additional material:** The additional material with the interview

## “Voices on Europe” – Table Evoc and description



<b>Eurovoc</b>	<b>Language</b>	<b>level1</b>	<b>level2</b>
<b>level3</b>	<b>level4</b>	<b>level5</b>	<b>todos</b>

- Level 1, 2, 3 – Thesaurus Eurovoc. This European multilingual listing of expressions has been developed for one-to-one indexing of documentary information from the European institutions

# Dublin Core Fields Mapping



## Fields Extracted from Tables

- 1) Reference Code → Identifier
- 2) Interviewee's surname and name → *Title*
- 3) Date(s) of recording (from) → *Date*
- 4) Name of interviewer → *Creator*
- 5) Language → *Language*
- 6) Number of pages → *Description*
- 7) Additional Material → *Relation*
- 8) level 1,2,3 (eurovoc) → *Subject*

## Fixed Fields

- 9) EUI → *Publisher*
- 10) Audio/Text → *Type*
- 11) Pdf → *Format*
- 12) User Profile → *Rights*

## Fields Not Used

- 13) *Contributor*
- 14) *Source*
- 15) *Coverage*

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<b>Dublin Core Element</b>	<b>Normalization</b>
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<b>Creator</b>	No
<b>Subject</b>	No
<b>Description</b>	No
<b>Publisher</b>	No
<b>Contributor</b>	Not Used
<b>Date</b>	Yes – UTC Format ISO8601 – OAI
<b>Type</b>	Yes – Audio / Text
<b>Format</b>	Yes – Pdf / mp3
<b>Identifier</b>	No
<b>Source</b>	Not Used
<b>Language</b>	No
<b>Relation</b>	No
<b>Coverage</b>	Not Used
<b>Rights</b>	Yes – User Profile / free