### LINKED HERITAGE

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# Ministère de la Culture et de la Communication (MCC)

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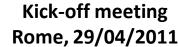
#### DREST is mainly in charge of

- the national digitisation plan for cultural heritage,
- the represention of the ministry of culture in national authorities and at European level (MSEG, European projects such as Michael, Minerva, Europeana, Athena, Linked Heritage, ...].
- the steering of the national inventory of digitised collections ("Patrimoine numérique" national instance of the MICHAEL portal)

As president of the Michael Culture Association supporting the Minerva network on behalf of the MCC, DREST takes an active part in European projects.

Christophe Dessaux, head of the DREST, is member of the EDL Foundation.



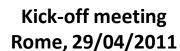


## **Christophe Dessaux**



Christophe Dessaux is a civil engineer. He works at the Secretariat General in the Ministry of Culture and Communication, France, where he is responsible for the Department of Research, Higher Education and Technology. This department is in charge of the co-ordination of Research and Higher Education in the Ministry, of the implementation of the national digitisation plan of cultural heritage, and of the European development of these activities (Minerva, Michael, Europeana). Christophe Dessaux is the president of the association Michael Culture, which is in charge of the sustainability of the MICHAEL project, and member of the Executive Committee of the Europeana Foundation.





## Marie-Véronique LEROI



Marie-Véronique Leroi is a project manager with a background in Natural Language Processing (NLP). She works at the Secrétariat Général in the Ministry of Culture and Communication, France, in the Department of Research, Higher Education and Technology (DREST). This department is in charge of the co-ordination of Research and Higher Education in the Ministry, of the implementation of the national digitisation plan of cultural heritage, and of the European development of these activities (Minerva, Michael, Europeana).

Marie-Véronique Leroi is responsible for the French national Instance of the Michael project, Patrimoine Numérique and was leading the Workpackage 4 of Athena dedicated on terminology and multilingualism on behalf of the Michael Culture Association. She will co-lead the Workpackage 3 of Linked Heritage with KMKG.



### MICHAEL CULTURE ASSOCIATION

Michael Culture Association is involved in the Linked Heritage project as subcontractor.

**Devoted to the valorisation of European cultural heritage**, Michael Culture Association gathers public and private organizations as well as cultural institutions from all over Europe.

#### It aims at:

- Promoting and valorizing European cultural heritage by its digitization and dissemination to a European and worldwide audience, through the Michael Internet services portal: the European guide of the digitised cultural collections on line
- Enhancing the network of European professionals working on digital cultural heritage, through the actions towards the Minerva Network.

#### Its activities are:

- Management of the Michael Internet Services Portal;
- Support and development of the transmission and exchange of information, particularly via publications, conferences and events;
- Training on related subjects;
- Research on relevant subjects
- Participation in European and international projects.





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