Intelligent Management of Digital Content

Technology transfer workshop

"Challenges connected with the use of resources of large digital libraries in education and civil science"

A one – day course in "Challenges connected with the use of resources of large digital libraries in education and civil science" was held on the 9th of July 2014 at the Institute of Information and Communication Technologies. The aim of the workshop was to present new trends in the development of digital libraries in the field of cultural heritage and to discuss about the best practices and innovative approaches to their use in education and the so called. civil science (citizen science).

The event was organized in collaboration with the company Ontotext (http://www.ontotext.com/), highly successful in the field of semantic technologies and their application in various sectors, including heritage and Bulgariana (http://bulgariana.eu) - an aggregator of Bulgarian cultural heritage for Europeana.

More than 20 participants attended the course: researchers, university lectures, company representatives and PhD Students.

A couple of talks in the sphere were held: "Good practices in the use of digital resources in education and civil science", Ass. Milena Dobreva, Head of the Department of Library, Archival and Information Studies of the University of Malta; "Semantic technologies in cultural heritage", Dr. Vladimir Alexiev, Ontotext; "Workshop Virtual Museum - an example of integrated knowledge", Peter Miladinov, Sofia University "St.. Kliment Ohridski "; "Enrichment of educational resources with materials from digital libraries and other current trends in e-learning", Ilian Uzunov, Ontotext.

The workshop was closed with a panel discussion about the challenges of using the resources of digital libraries for educational and scientific purposes. A key topic was related to practical questions/ experience about real life situations and problems.