

How to promote the Memory of the World Registers?

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Why promote the Registers?

“These glamorous Registers distract the attention from what really matters in MoW: the preservation of the world documentary heritage!”

(Dietrich Schüller)

Promote to whom?

The professionals?

The general public?

Educational sector?

Potential nominators?

Partners / Sponsors?

Politicians / Policy makers?

Promote what?

The concept of the Registers?

The intention of the Registers?

The items on the Registers?

The growth of the Registers?

The use of the Registers?

What makes the Registers promotable?

Diversity of material and genres?

Cultural diversity?

Beauty of individual items?

Content of individual items?

Connotations (spiritual, emotional,
historical) of individual items?

Cultural historical collections

Collections of manuscripts, books, inscriptions, sound recordings etc., with great cultural or historical value for a region, an ethnic group etc.

The Collection of the Al-Biruni Institute of Oriental Studies (Uzbekistan)



Highlights

Outstanding work of art or innovation:

- a masterpiece of human creative genius,
- the ‘first of its kind’

Rigveda (India)

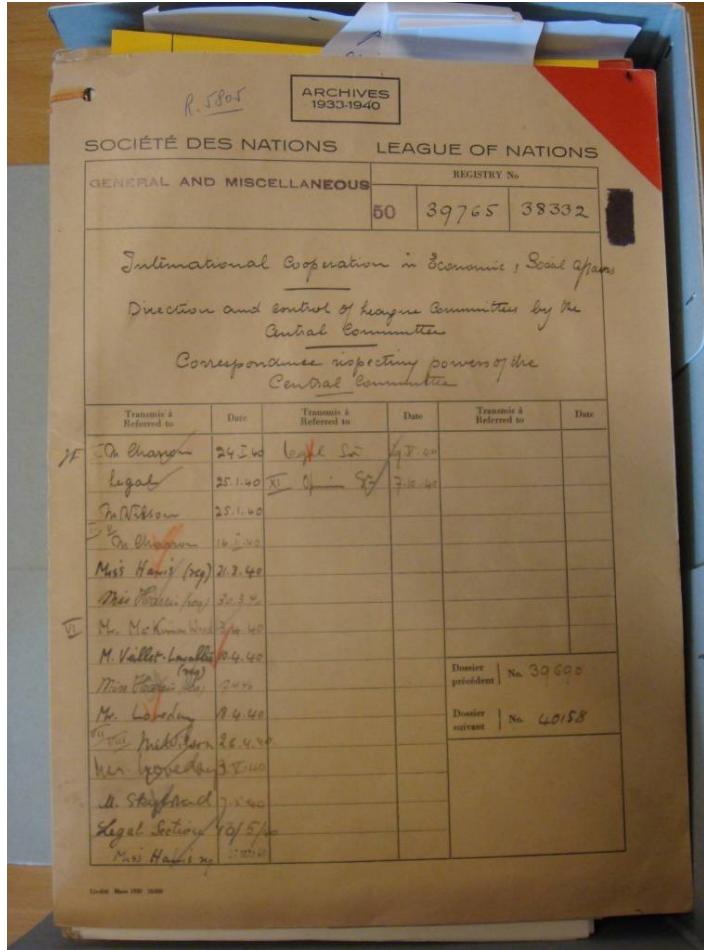


Archival materials

Documents preserved for their continuing value.

- politics and administration
- religion
- social and human sciences
- sports
- etc.

Archives of the League of Nations



Personal heritage

Documentary heritage of a person of world significance in any field:

literature, music, arts, sciences, politics, religion, sports, etc.

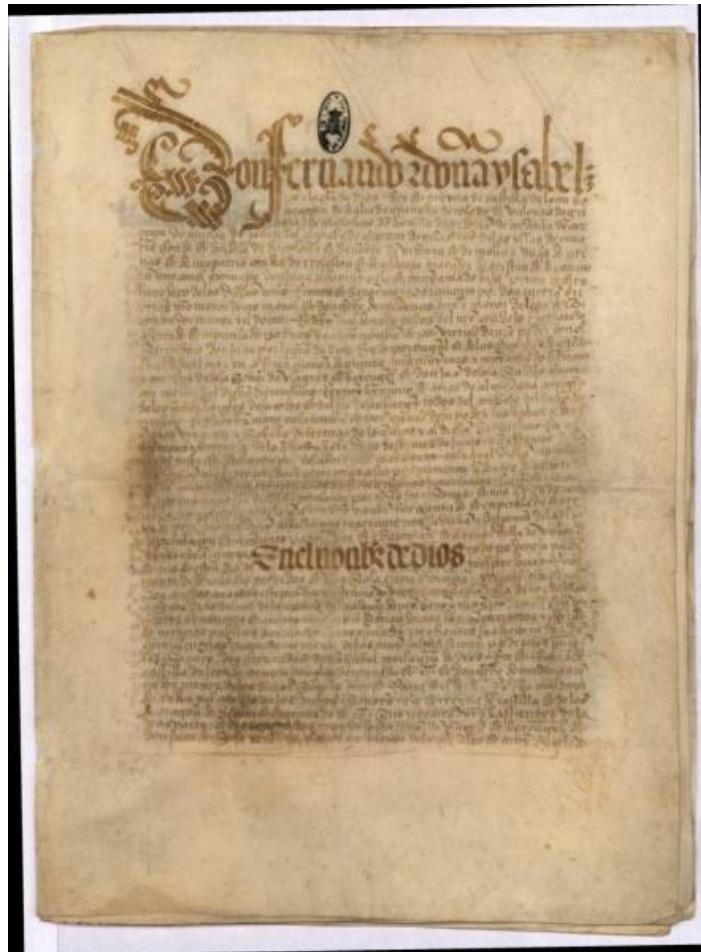
Dame Nita Barrow Collection (Barbados)



Key documents

Inventions, treaties etc. of world significance

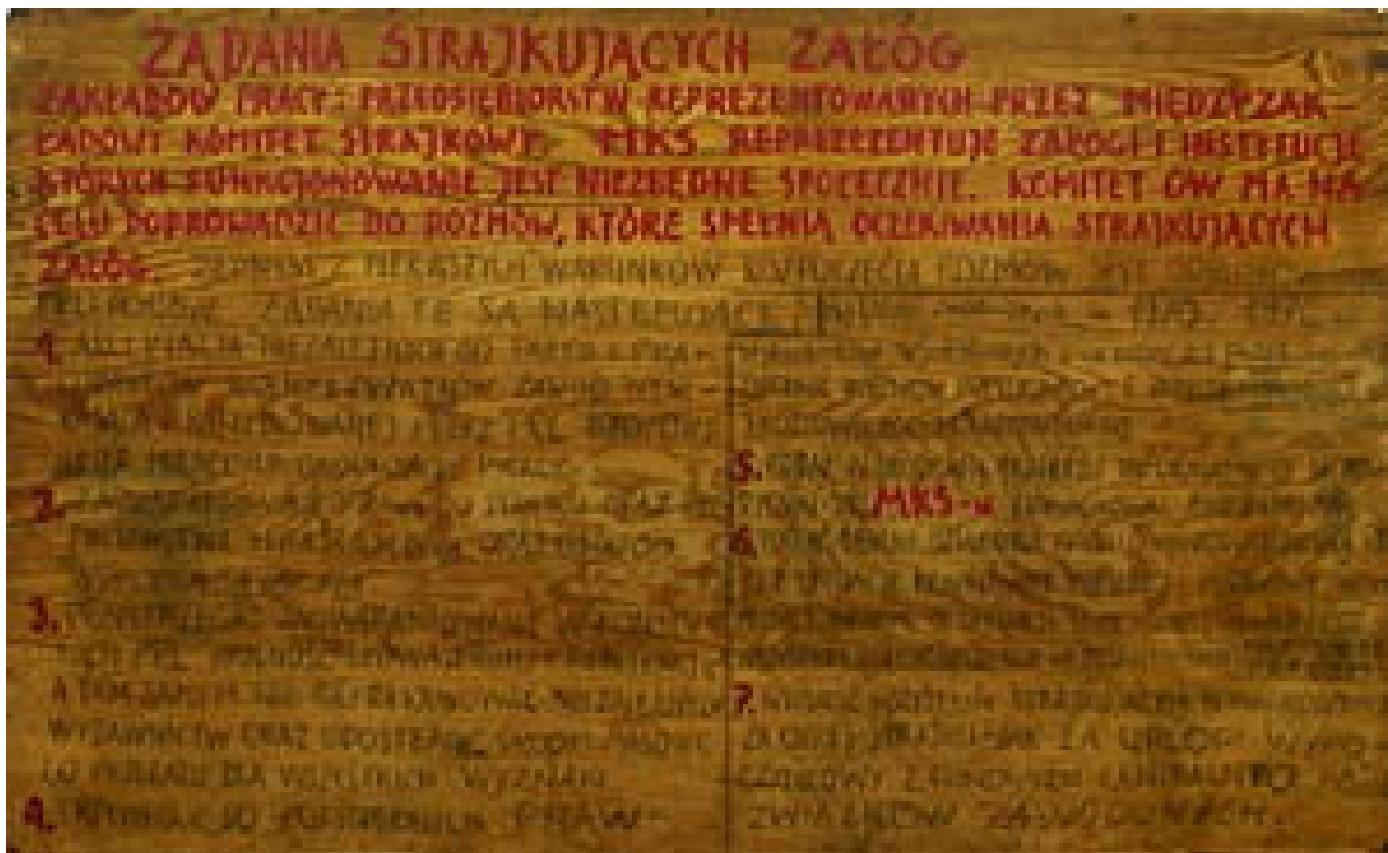
Treaty of Tordesillas (Spain)



Testimonials

Documents that testify to or symbolize events
and developments of great significance in the
field of social or political history

21 Demands of Gdańsk (Poland)



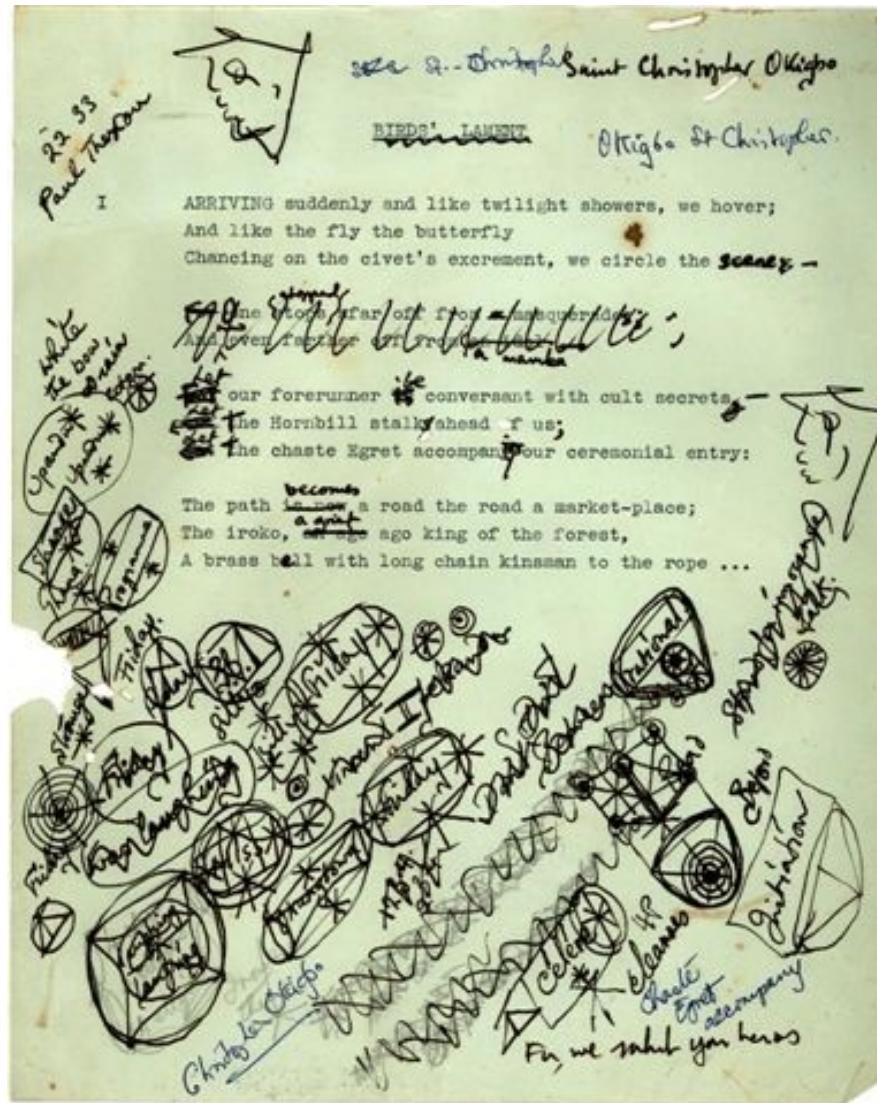
Inscriptions on stone, wood, bones, ...



Manuscripts on papyrus, bamboe, palm leaves, parchment, paper, ...



Handwritten/typewritten letters, notes, diaries, ...



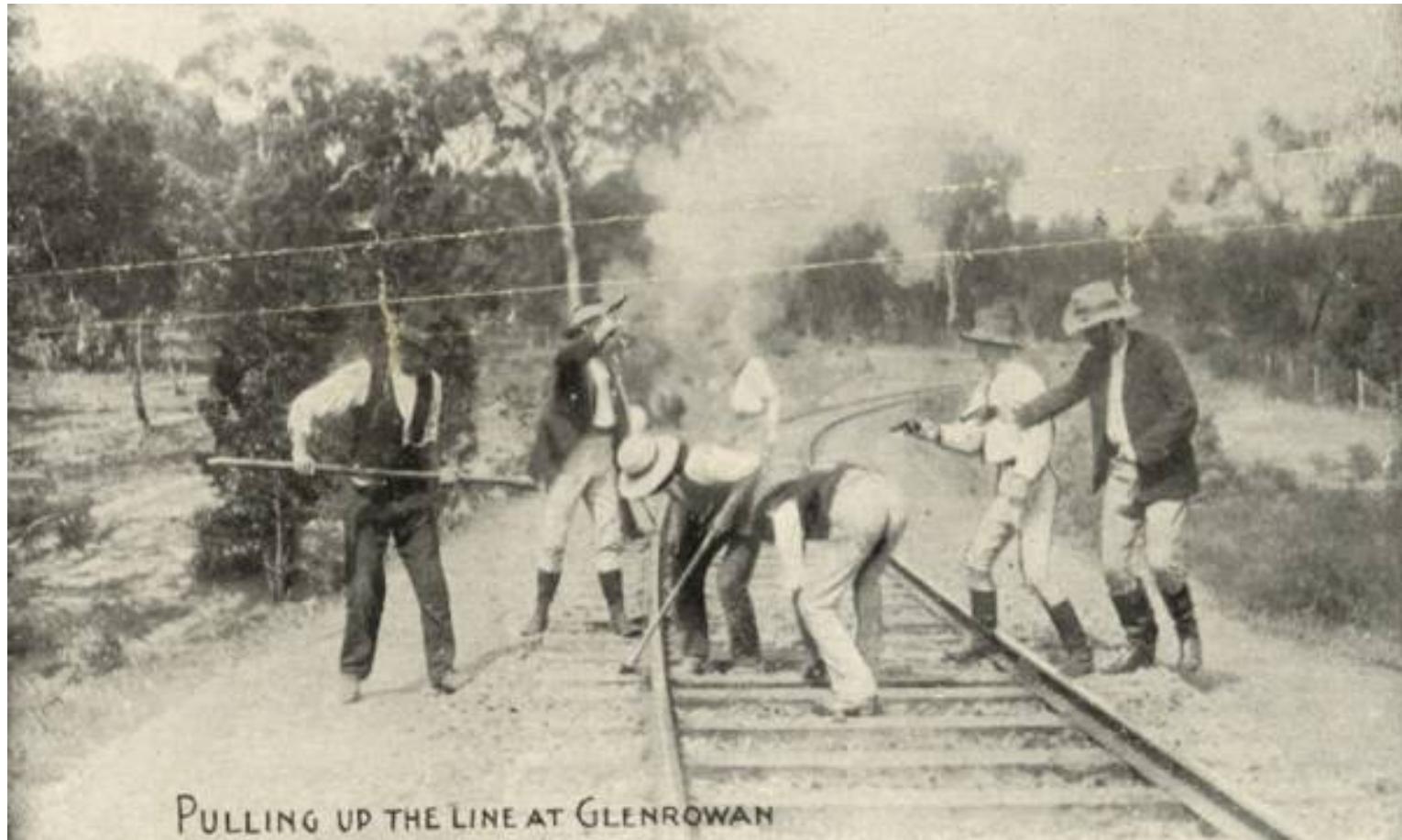
Printed books, maps, atlases, ...



Photographs, drawings, ...



Sound recordings, movies, tv-documentaries, ...



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Digital born objects

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Cue for Anne Frank



Some MoW items less promotable

Not in tourist guides

Highbrow culture

Context needed

Context needed:

Châtelet de Paris banner register



Marketing Plans

Different targets – Different approaches

Different countries – Different approaches

Cooperation

World Heritage List

World Digital Library

Europeana

NGO's

World Bank

Regional, national and local initiatives

Good MoW website

High quality pictures

(Links to) Full text

Context

Search facilities

Links

Interactive

Explanation of the MoW goals

Links to MoW website

First words on the official Bayeux Tapestry website:

« Classée "Mémoire du Monde" par l'UNESCO,
la Tapisserie de Bayeux (Calvados) est une
broderie, longue de 70 mètres, réalisée au XI^e
siècle. »

But there is no link ...

Social media strategy

Facebook

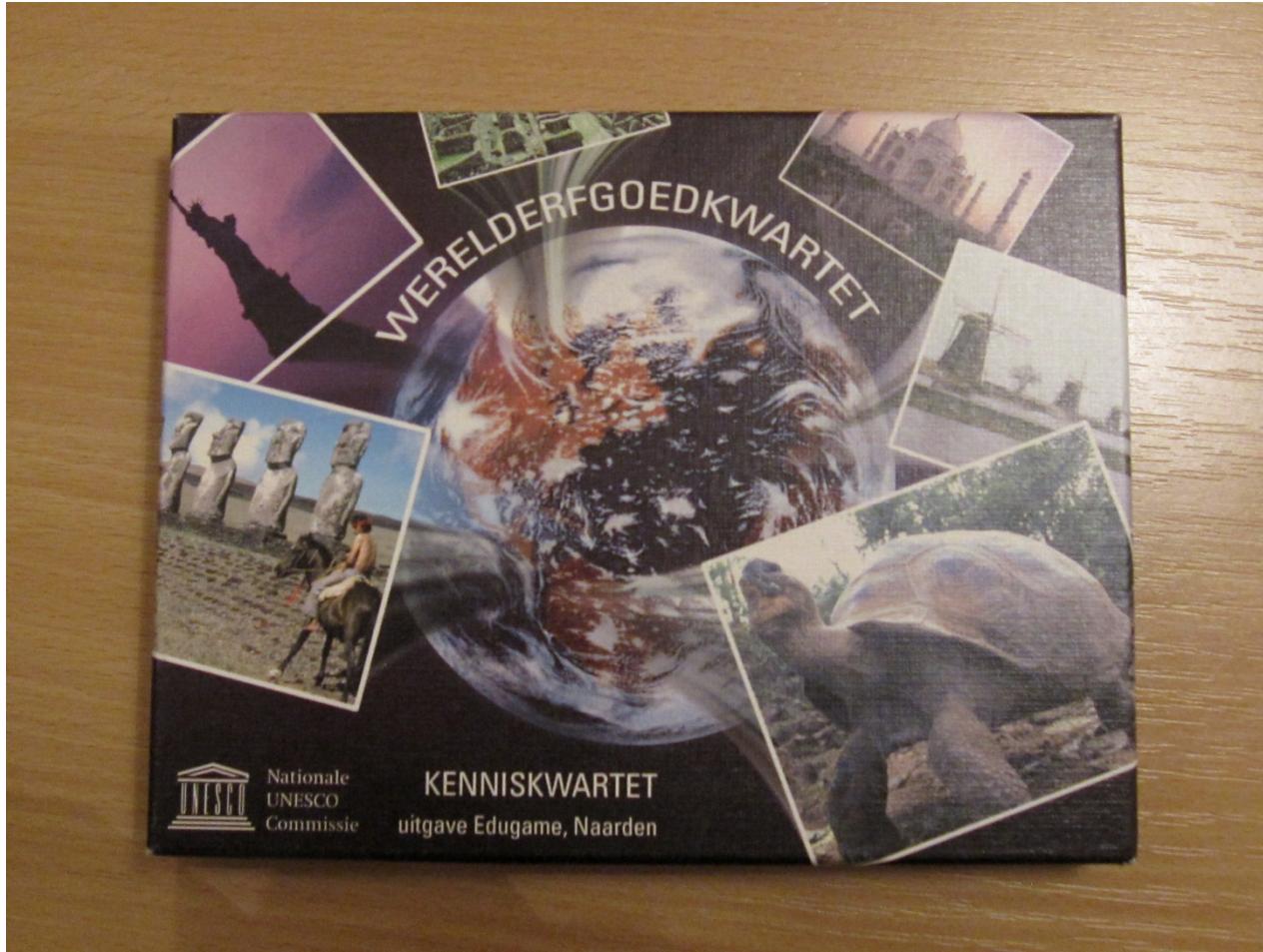
Twitter

Apps

Google Maps

Digitization projects

Traditional Promotion



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