

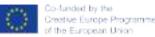


## EUROPEAN DIGITAL TREASURES: MANAGEMENT OF CENTENNIAL ARCHIVES IN THE 21<sup>ST</sup> CENTRURY

# CATALOGUE OF PROTOTYPES OF MERCHANDISING PRODUCTS







Within the framework of European Digital Treasures project, the partner institutions are working on the key objective to generate a greater added value, profitability, visibility and economic return for European archives, through the implementation of new business models. In this framework, one question arises: *Why do archives throughout Europe receive hundreds of thousands of visitors and users every year, but unlike museums, most of them do not have their own shops or merchandising products?*.

To try to fill this gap and evaluate possible sources of revenue, the project partners engaged 12 graphic and industrial designers from Spain, Austria, Hungary, Malta and Portugal to wrap their creative heads around selected archival key documents (50 in total) from the three planned transmedia exhibitions of the project and turn them into resourceful merchandise objects.

This catalogue is the result of the work of each one of the 12 designers, and was complemented with an artistic residence that took place in Madrid 17th to 21st of February 2020 hosted by the Spanish State Archives.

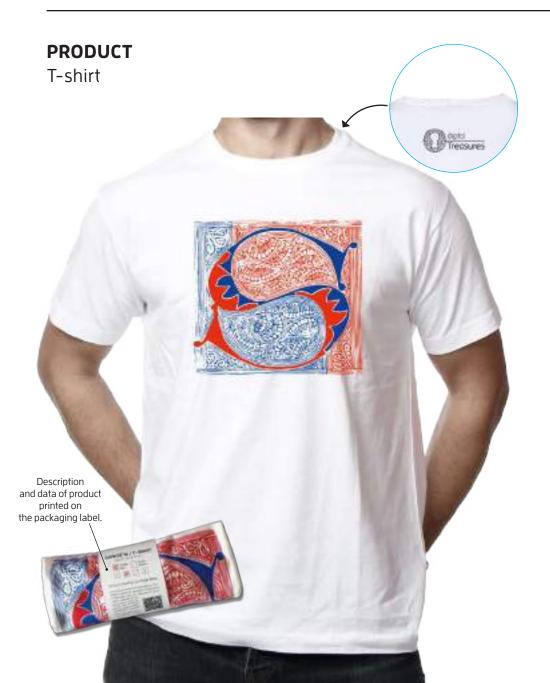
During the residence the group united in Madrid to present, evaluate and discuss prototypes of merchandising objects, including visits to the most inspiring artistic hotspots of the city.

The fine line our creative minds had to balance while preparing prototypes was, how to bridge a historical context depicted by an archival document into merchandise with outof-the-box changeovers, but without unhinging the relevance the archival treasure has in view of our shared European heritage. Not an easy task – but we found a variety of solutions and products to be presented during and after the residency- as each designer has his/her own creative focus, preferred working method and material, educational background etc.





#### COUNTRY **SPAIN** DESIGNER **ANGEL MERLO**



## **INSPIREDBY**



Copy of the privileges and royal grants, franchises and rights granted by the kings of Castille and Leon to the genoese merchants that live in the very noble city of Seville I25I-I537

General Archive of Simancas (Spain)

Evocating the film Superman and emphasizing the Genoese families "Super" because of their privileges collected and told in this books which I have taken for inspiriation, I designed a personalized T-shirt using the capital letter "S", in different sizes for women and men.





## PRODUCT

"The possibility of traveling is not a matter of course"

:: passport casing

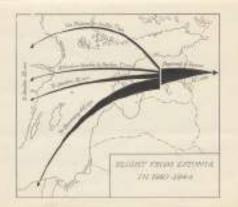


## INSPIRED BY Flight from Estonia (1940–1944)

:: National Archives of Estonia

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View of various documents (maps, drawings, photographs, writings etc.)

The map illustrates the situation of Estonians in Sweden during the after-war period when there were organised the Estonian Committee in Sweden, dealing with many activities of Estonian refugees in Sweden.





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"Transmission of time."

:: poster artwork



## **INSPIREDBY**

## Letter of Emperor Charles VI. regarding "Transmigrants" (14<sup>th</sup> July 1734, Vienna)

:: AT-OÖLA, Archiv der Landeshauptmannschaft



#### View of the letter.

The euphemistic term "Transmigration" stood within the meaning of the Austrian Hofkanzlei for the enforced deportation of subjects from their home to distant territories of the Habsburg monarchy because of their Lutheran religion





#### COUNTRY AUSTRIA DESIGNER HANSJÖRG SCHWAB



**INSPIRED BY** 



#### Emigration to America from Czechoslovakia (1930)

Exhibition 2: Exiles, migratoryflows and solidarity National Archives, Czech Republic, Prague

inspired by generic T-Shirts with random words and numbers on them. On this T-Shirt the message is clear, the elements are historic facts and add up to a adventurous story in your mind.





#### COUNTRY AUSTRIA DESIGNER HANSJÖRG SCHWAB

## PRODUCT A notebook to

support refugees



## **INSPIRED** BY

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Report of the Austrian Minister of Interior Alexander Bach regarding Lottery for refugees (1850)

Exhibition 2: Exiles, migratoryflows and solidarity National Archives, Czech Republic, Prague

A notebook in DIN A6 with perforated pages. The pages show the motto of the revolution "Liberté, égalité, fraternité" and remind us of the basics of democracy. With every sold item I Euro is donated to UNHCR. By buying one of these notebooks you support refugees in a similar way people did in 1850 by buying a lottery ticket.

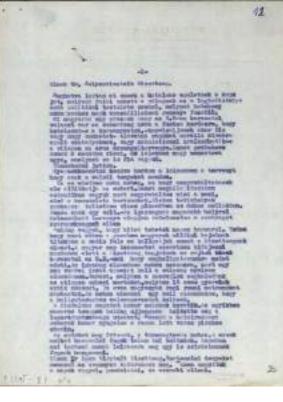




#### COUNTRY **HUNGARY** DESIGNER **ZSÓFIA NEUZER**

## **PRODUCT ANTIC HEROE & ROMAN MATRON** T-SHIRTS





"… egy nép vérrel írott eposzát kell a valóság nyelvén elmondanom. Harcot, melyben a szereplők meghaladták az átlagos emberi mértéket, melyben 14 éves gyerekek antik hősöket, 70 éves nagyanyák régi római matrónákat mintáztak." - HU

**INSPIREDBY** 

"... I have to interpret a nation's bloodwritten epos using the language of reality. A fight in which the characters exceeded average human level, in which 14-year-old children modelled antique heroes, 70-year-old grandmothers as old Roman matrons." - EN

A draft of József Kővágó' s speech, spoken before the UN Special Committee on the revolutional events of 1956. 1957 State Archives of the National Archives (Hungary)

**Antic heroe & Roman matron T-shirts** are commemoriating the extreme event in '56, during civilian felt they need to act and unite their power on the streets.







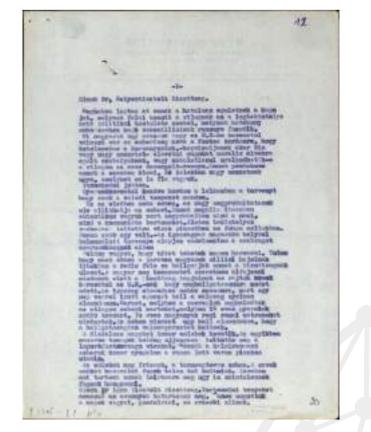


## PRODUCT

Engraved, never running-out pen: an inkless solution, consisting of a special metal.



#### **INSPIRED** BY



József Kővágó's speech before the UN Special Committee on the revolutional events of 1956

State Archives of the National Archives of Hungary

The engraving is a quote from the text about telling always the truth. It's elegant, almost like an object simultaniously from the ancient times and the far future.





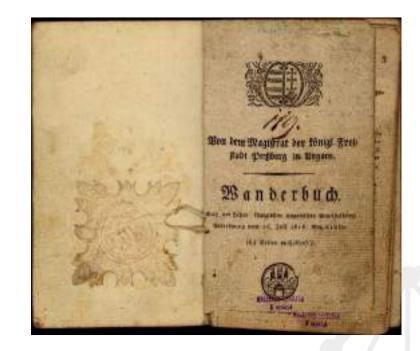
## PRODUCT

"Wanderbuch" Travelling notebook set with calendar, sketchbook and passport holder





#### **INSPIRED BY**



Wanderbuch of Jakab Modern, toolsmith journeyman from Pozsony

State Archives of the National Archives of Hungary

It's a variable sketchbook set following a traditional format of the japanese travelling notebooks.



Pocket magnifier



#### COUNTRY NORWAY DESIGNER MARIA ASTRUP

## **INSPIRED BY**



We can dig in the archives to find treasures, and search with

a loupe (analog or digital) instead of pick and shovel.

Samuels Mine, 1723

The National Archives of Norway

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Credit card size magnifying glass decorated with a drawing from I7I6 of a silver mine.

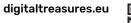
PRODUCT

## **Pocket Magnifier**

digital

Treasures

A tool to help you dig through the archival treasure troves. It is decorated with a map of *Samuel's Silver Mine* from 1716. ©Arkivverket, Norway







ARKIVVERKET





#### COUNTRY NORWAY DESIGNER MARIA ASTRUP

## **PRODUCT** Drinking glass

Weyse's thirst: Contemporary whisky glass decorated with historical glass models from Ip Olufsen Weyse's template book of original glasswork designs of 1763.



## **INSPIREDBY**



Weyse's pattern book, 1763

The National Archives of Norway

Weyse's Pattern books shows products from the early Norwegian glass industry and might be regarded as the advertising catalogues of their time. Ib Olufsen Weyse was a signet ring, letter and seal engraver in Copenhagen. The glass workers were hired from German states and England.





#### **PRODUCT |** Furoshiki











BOTTLE CARRY WRAP - makes a perfectly wrapped gift for a party, and a gr way to carry hottles to a picnic.



WALL HANGING disblay poles in birch are sold separatly.

#### **INSPIRED** BY



#### All of the documents that constitute Norways contribution to all three exhibitons.

Pattern based on the idea of a map of the brain, because that is where memory is located, and a mind map with all the above documents crossed with the brainmap. The shape is also reminiscent of a cloud, because that is where our data (memory) is stored in the digital age. *Our memory is the key to everything we are. Unlock the Digital treasures.* 

**FUROSHIKI** A multifunctional squaremeter. Inspired by traditional ways of carrying things, it brings the thoughts to all three exhibiton themes, migratory flows, the founding of Europe when people moved about spreading ideas, and Discoveries, when europeans travelled the world. It can therefore represent the ideas of free movement of goods, capital, services, and labour within the European Union. Both modern and traditional, a more sustainable way of carrying and / or decorating your self or your home. A souvenir / memoir useful and easy to carry while travelling. The design is screen printed by hand onto premium cotton satin giving a soft feel and elegant drape, the edges are carefully hand rolled and sewn. Instuctions for the various uses follow the product. 90x90 cm.

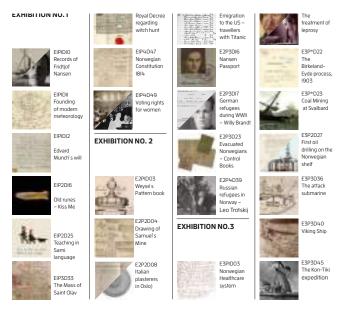




#### **PRODUCT |** Memory Board Game



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**MEMO GAME** with 50 pairs of cards with motifs from all of the documents above, plus the corresponing illustrations from the pattern. To create curiosity about the diverse histories contained in the archives, from the brave and beatiful to the grave and grotesque, now made all the more accesible and digittized.

Have fun playing this boardgame, regardless of age! An easy but engaging game for the the youngest to interact with elder generations. Get to know the treasures kept in our collective memory, the archives of Europe, and at the same time exercise your own memory and brain!

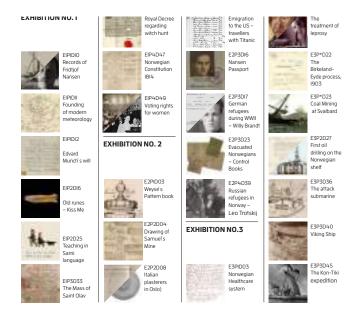




## **PRODUCT |** Shopping Bag



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**FOLDABLE REUSABLE SHOPPINGBAG** in (recycled) polyester. Print area 30x30 cm. Something to carry what you need not to forget?

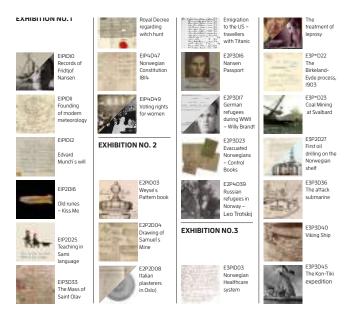
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**SET OF TEN POSTCARDS** times five. A total of 50 motifs from all of the documents above, plus the corresponing illustrations from the pattern. To send to friends to make them both remember you, and create curiosity around the Digital Treasure documents. Or too keep as a memory. Size A6. A small and easy thing to pick up in a museum shop.

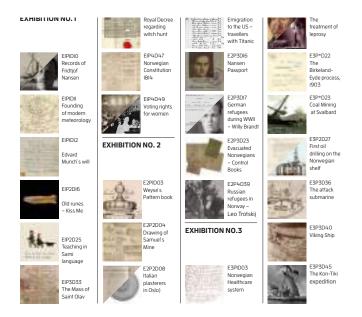




#### PRODUCT | Memo Note Pad



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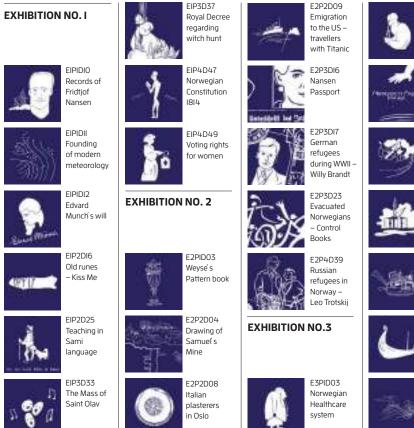
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**MEMO PAD** with various selfadhesive sticky notes. Because it helps people remember, both what they write on it and the Digital Treasures. A small and easy thing to pick up in a museum shop.





## PATTERN



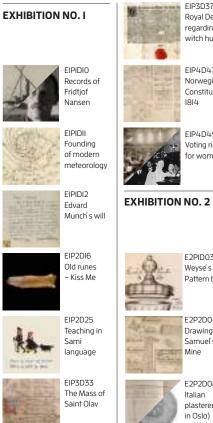
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**INSPIRED BY** 





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**PATTERN AND MOTTO** inspired by all of the documents that constitute Norways contribution to all three exhibitons. Based on the idea of a map of the brain, because that is where memory is located, and a mind map with all the above documents crossed with the brainmap. The shape is also reminiscent of a cloud, because that is where our data (memory) is stored in the digital age. Our memory is the key to everything we are. Unlock the Digital treasures.

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E2P2D08 Italian plasterers in Oslo)

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**EXHIBITION NO.3**