

E-Varamu



Funding source
**European, national,
institutional**

In-kind value
€100k–€250k

Timeframe
2014–ongoing

Target group
Researchers

Scale
National

Year of reporting
2023

Good practice

The Estonian [E-Varamu](#) portal is an e-repository and an integrated e-environment created for the long-term preservation and accessibility of digitised resources of Estonian memory institutions, such as libraries, archives and museums.

The portal aims to raise the digitisation capability of these institutions to ensure the preservation of their collections.

The e-repository also facilitates the linkage between national heritage collections and the pan-European library, Europeana.



Collaborators:

- National Library of Estonia
- Estonian State Archives

Added value

- Providing a **unified internet gateway** to diverse Estonian resources, including literature, national publications, and cultural heritage.
- Enhancing user accessibility and ensuring **long-term preservation of collections** from libraries, archives, and museums through digitisation.
- Improving **semantic interoperability** and cross-referencing, while ensuring public access to high-quality information from both scientific and user-generated sources.

Problem addressed

The **E-Varamu** portal, part of Estonia's national Research Infrastructure Roadmap, aims to preserve at-risk national heritage objects as future reference materials. Current challenges include limited digitisation capabilities, varying standards, and the absence of an integrated data environment or user-friendly interface, all of which impact accessibility and long-term preservation for researchers and the public.

22 102 778



Objects

Number of indexed objects on the portal enabling efficient and organised data search

132 964



Visits

The highest number of yearly visits so far

1 297 074



Linked data points

Number of data points linked to Europeana, connecting cultural heritage resources across Europe

SRIA General Objective

G02: Enable the definition of standards, and the development of tools and services, to allow researchers to find, access, reuse and combine results

Research areas



Social Sciences



Humanities



Natural Sciences



Agricultural Sciences



Medical and Health Sciences



Engineering and Technology

Type of result



Infrastructure



Service