LEADING MUSEUMS INTO A SUCCESSFUL DIGITAL TRANSFORMATION. RESEARCH ON EMERGING JOB ROLE PROFILES AND ASSOCIATED SKILL NEEDS; CONTRIBUTION OF THE MU.SA - MUSEUM SECTOR ALLIANCE PROJECT

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Abstract

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Four emerging job role profiles were identified: Digital Strategy Manager, Digital Collections Curator, Digital Interactive Experience Developer and Online Community Manager. For each, the skill needs were defined considering the e-Competences Framework, the Digital Competence Framework for Citizens (DigComp) and the 21st Century Skills, becoming the basis for the curriculum design of a MOOC and of a Specialization Course, combining e-learning, face-to-face and work-based learning phases.

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