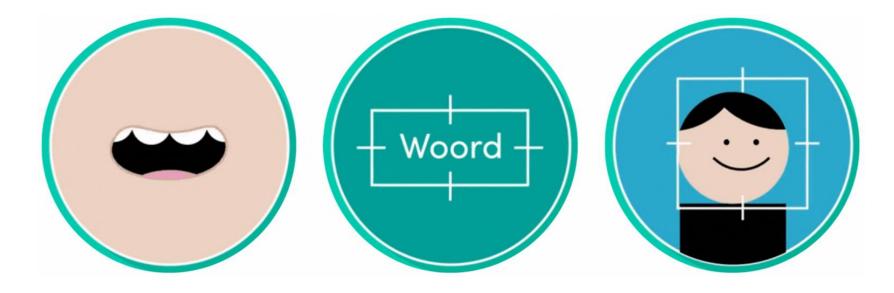
#### Let's talk about AI.



At meemoo we're here for the archive. We help cultural, media and government organisations with advice and practical support, and want to make archival materials accessible and usable.



## Services



Digitisation, digital archiving and management of archival materials





Actively gather and share expertise on digital archive operations



Advise on digital heritage processes

# **Diverse group of Flemish content partners**



# Collaboration

We work with our partners in a complementary way:

- They have content-related
  expertise about their domain and its materials.
- They manage and select the physical and digital collections
- They contextualize, share, research...



# Economies of scale: lower cost, better results

Digitisation, digital infrastructure and processes: expert knowledge and size matter

Mass storage in three secure locations and metadata enrichment/management for our partners

Unlocking large quantities of diverse materials

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Advice and knowledge-sharing with the entire cultural sector

# In figures







#### > 540,000

audiovisual carriers digitised and stored in our archive system



user accounts at The Archive for Education at end of 2021-2022 academic year > 16,000

free downloads from artinflanders.be in 2021



#### nearly 50

training and other events for cultural, media and government organisations in 2022



#### What is the GIVE-project?

The Coordinated Initiative for Flemish Heritage Digitization - the abbreviation makes sense in dutch.

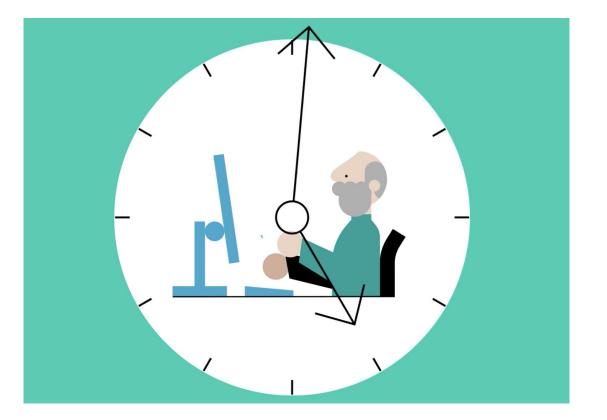
Four Tracks:

- Masterpieces
  245 masterpieces in 59 collections: manuscripts and 3D-, 2D- en gigapixelphotography
- Newspapers (collaboration with the VEB) 630.000 newspaper pages in 8 heritage institutions
- Glass plates
  180.000 glass plates from 33 heritage institutions
- Metadata enrichment using Al 160.000 hours of audio en video from 127 organisations

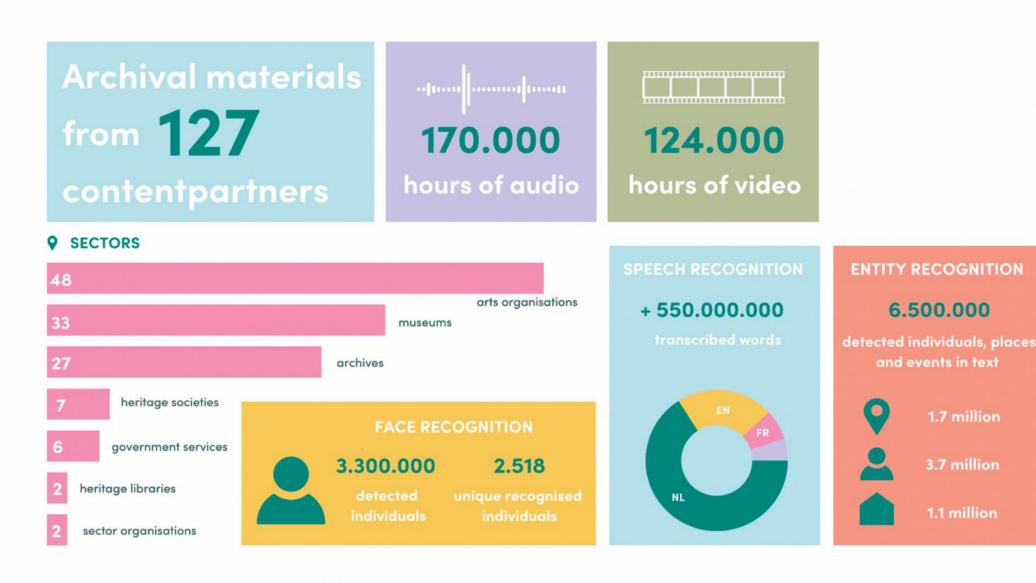


#### Metadata: challenges for manual approach





#### Numbers!

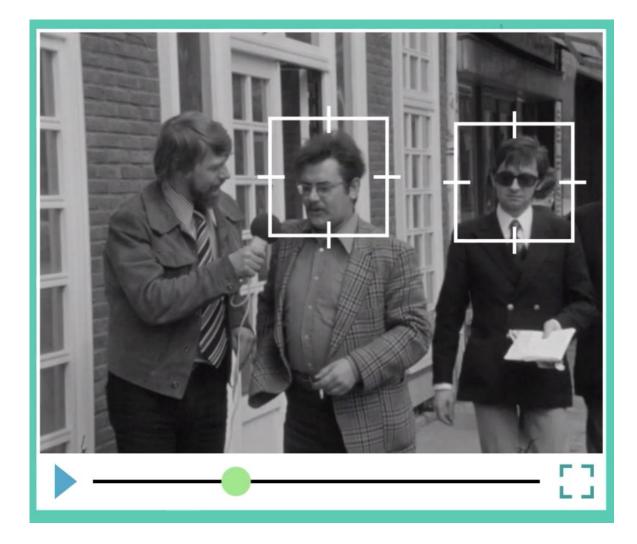


# Buy or Build?

#### Speech-To-Text Mature tooling in the market $\Rightarrow$ BUY Cost efficient solution, easy to integrate Named Entity Recognition Mature tooling in the market \_ ⇒ BUY Cost efficient solution, easy to integrate Face detection and recognition Partly available in the market (see: what we want) Higher cost per hour $\Rightarrow$ BUILD Pre existing experience in previous project (FAME) \_

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## Zoom in on face recognition



Detecting and grouping faces

Match faces to known **individuals** (based on confidence score)

Identify **unknown** faces

Manage a set of individuals we want to recognise and collaborate on identifying unknowns



## Involving partners

Call for participation to 120 partners, +/- 10 partners in working group







## **Data Protection Impact Assessment**

2	Verwerkingsactiviteit	Beschrijving r	isico	Schadetype	Toelichting type	Kans op schade	Ernst van de
3	Vermeld de vooropgestelde activiteit	Beschrijf het mogelijke risico, eventuele voorbeelden staan in BIJLAGE 4	Vermeld de bron van het risico	Kies het toepasselijk e schade tvoe	Beschrijf hier waarom je een bepaald type schade hebt aangeduid	Kies hier de kans dat de schade zich voordoet	Kies hier de impact van de
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# **Ethical aspects**

- Collaboration with Knowledge Center for Data and Society (interuniversity group, funded within Flemish AI research track)
- Multiple stakeholder workshops, focusing on face recognition
  - Shared insights and principles



## Face recognition - parameters

#### Face 'quality'

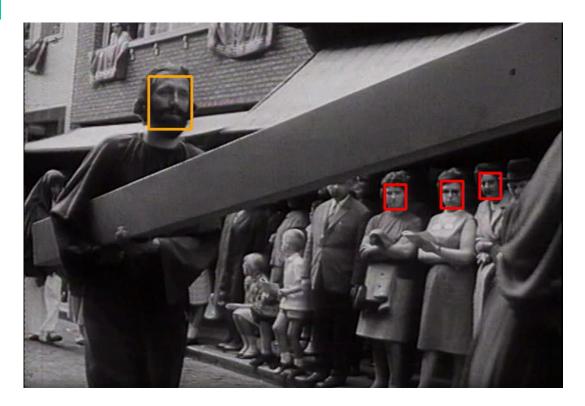
- Box-size
- Pose (landmarks)
- Lighting
- Blurriness
- Confidence

#### Time on screen

- Duration of face visibility in one shot (tracker)
- Number of appearance of a person (trackers per persoon)
- Total screen time of 1 person in a video



## Working group: parameters





Oranje faces are not visible for long enough Red faces: no metadata because they too small

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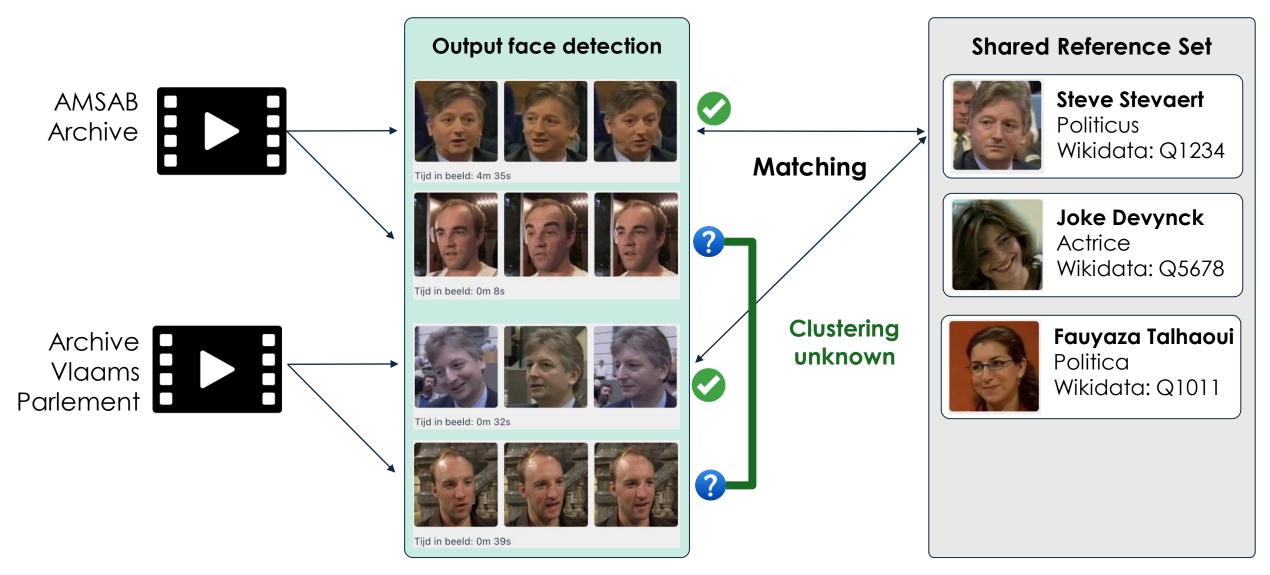
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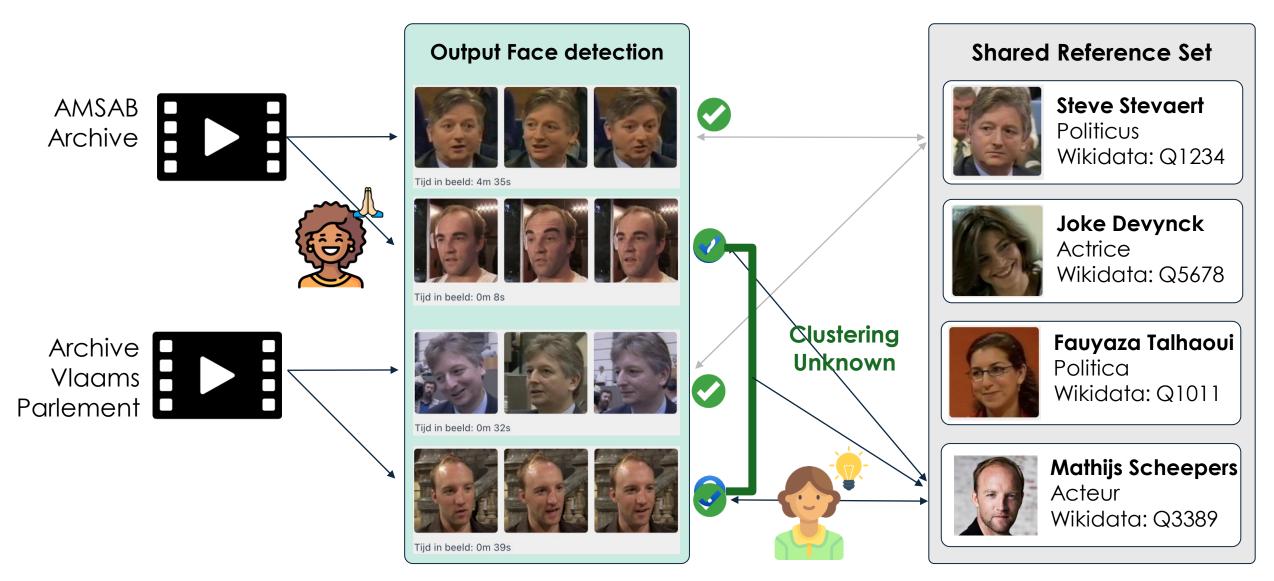
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### Matching faces to the reference set



# Unknown? Call an archivist!



#### Frequently detected but unknown

GIVE Referentieset Herkende personen Onbekende personen ADVN)										
<b>Onbekende</b> Eigen materiaal Aantal video's: 4 Tijd in beeld: <b>16m 9s</b>	Aantal video's: 4									
Frame toto's		Titel	Duurtijd	Tijd in beeld	МАМ					
		De Zevende Dag, TV1: 16 december 2001 / De Zevende Dag, TV1: 10 februari 2002 / De Zevende Dag, TV1: 17 februari 2002 / De Zevende Dag, TV1: 10 maart 2002 (resolutie Voorwaarts)	3h 8m 30s	9m 46s	3f4km06c4k ☐					
		<u>Vlaams-Waals PVG - VNOS</u> <u>Naaimachines 1-3</u>	1h 3m 8s	4m 54s	r785h8f63q ⊡					
		Kopies VNOS - VRT archiefbeelden voor VNOS 07/09/1999: Vlaamse en federale regering	1h 15m 10s	1m 13s	gq6qz22s80					

#### **Reference Set**

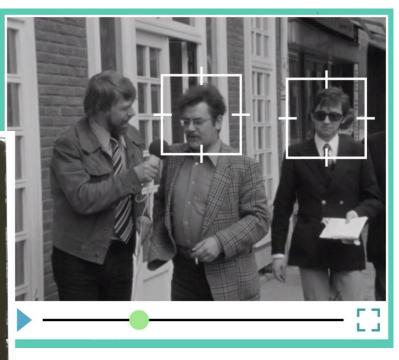
- What is it?
  - A list of people + photo's + links to wikidata + links to authorities of partners
  - Shared management, make use of each others knowledge (musea, archives, media)
  - Transparency: who changed what when?
- Crucial element:
  - It crosses the bridge between detection and matching
  - Ethical: adding somebody to the reference set is a decision to recognize this person. This is a human decision.

## Metadata Mayhem

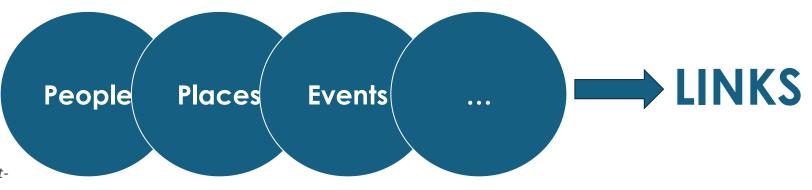




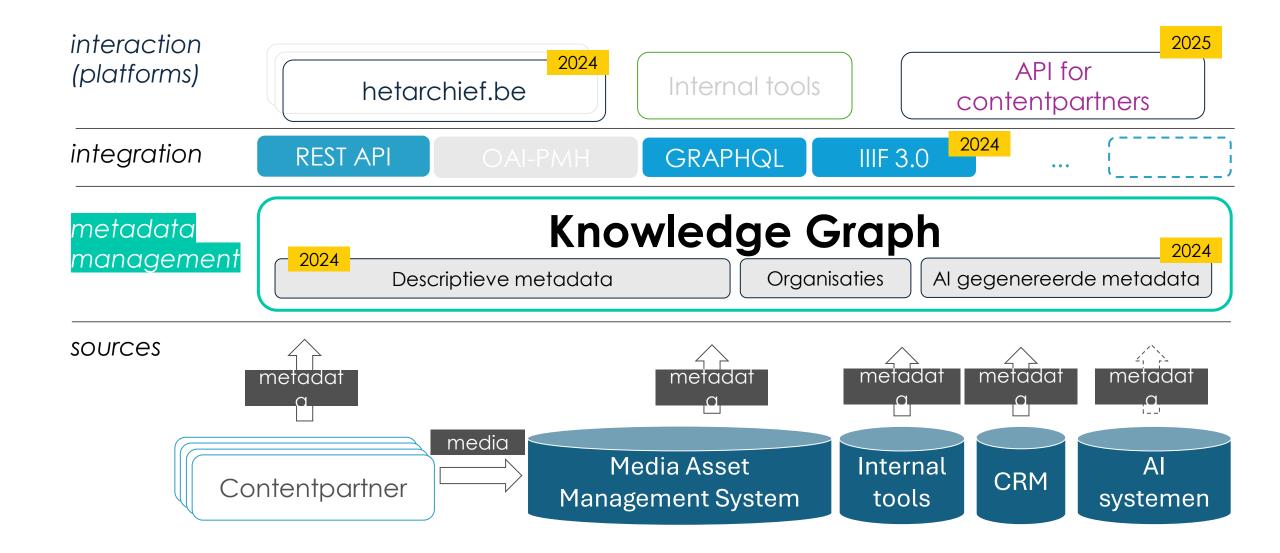




Bronvermelding: Rabindranath Tagore, 1920, T1192, Rabindranath Tagore in de Gasthuisstraat 38 te Antwerpen bij Dr. Arthur de Groodt, Letterenhuis, Publiek domein



# Linking and using



# Conclusions

- Partners and meemoo very happy with the project output
- See: <u>ingreatdetail.be</u> / <u>totindetail.be</u> to learn more
   Success factors:
  - Using mature techniques
  - Analysis and benchmarking
  - Integrating legal and ethical track
  - Involving partners: participation and information



Video on using AI for archival metadata

# Way forward

#### • Follow-up projects already started:

- SHARED AI project: Applying and expanding the GIVE processes for/with regional media + VRT
- Visual Name Authority: Expanding the reference set tool as a shared authority, Work on processes, legal and ethical issues + extend the tool
- Hermes: embed the AI flow is a more flexible software framework, test and execute new techniques (voice identification, audio categorization, summary generation...)

#### **The End!**

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