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# Introducing Thoth: Open Metadata Manager & Distribution Service for OA Books

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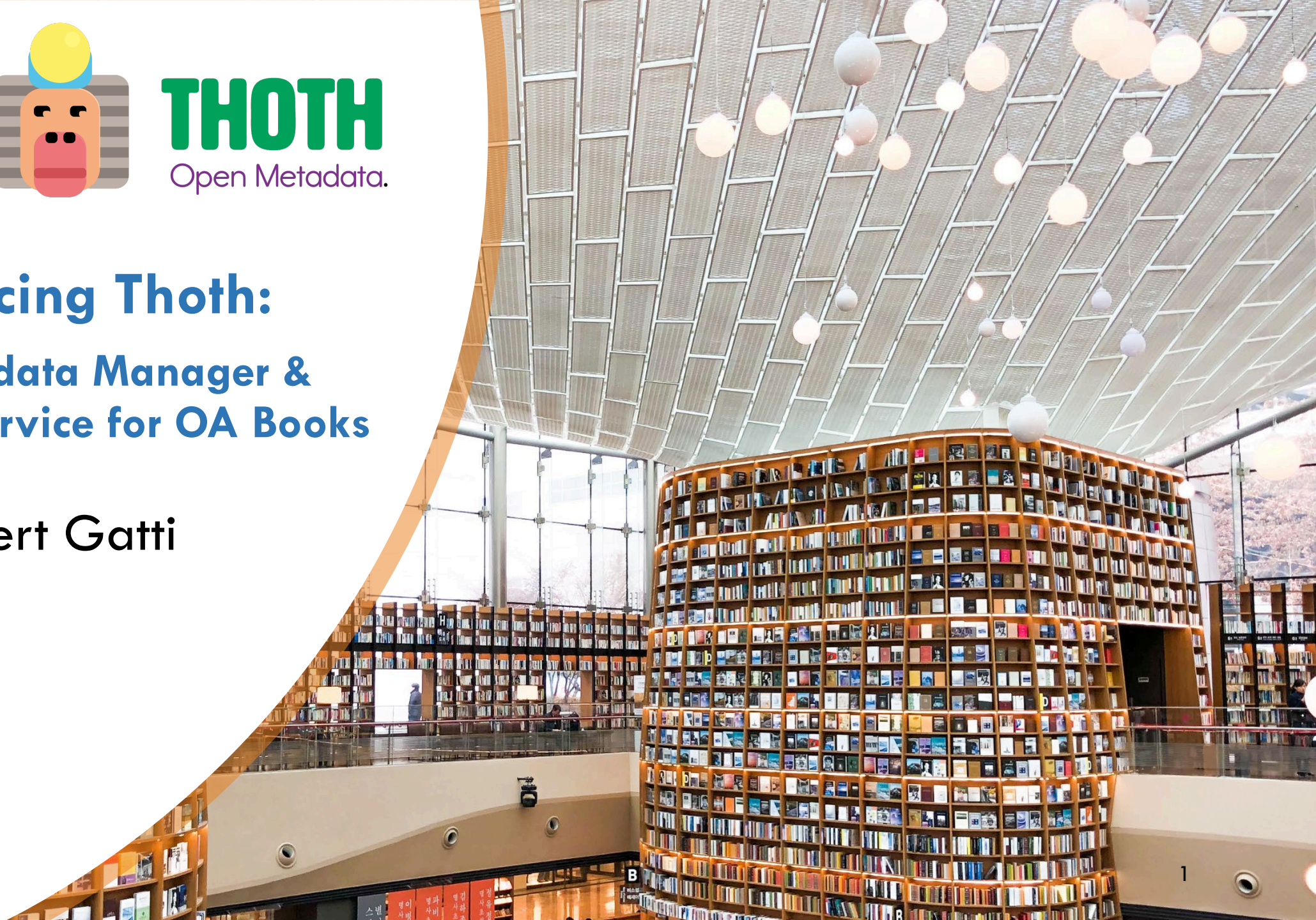
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# Data Ingest: publisher generated metadata

User Interface

API

ONIX

Bulk uploads





# Data Output: standardised formats

ONIX

CSV

KBART

JSON

BibTex

CrossRef XML

MARC





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ONIX (multiple)



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## Data Output: Open API



Publisher websites

Catalogues

Platforms

Customised data searches/outputs

Connect with other databases

Repository deposits (data & content)

# Publisher Website



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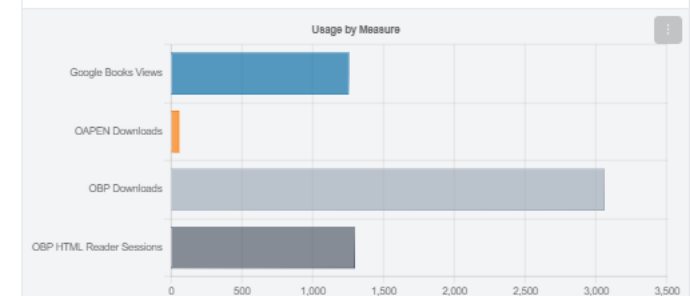
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*Introducing students to early modern, modern, and contemporary European history in all its geographic and thematic breadth is a formidable challenge. The European Experience tackles it impressively. Its series of short chapters cover immense ground, ranging from generations and economic divergences to geography and environmental history. This structure makes the book ideal for the university classroom, as primary and complementary reading material, especially on issues of identity, borders, and Europe's Others. The book sets a high bar for future pedagogy.*

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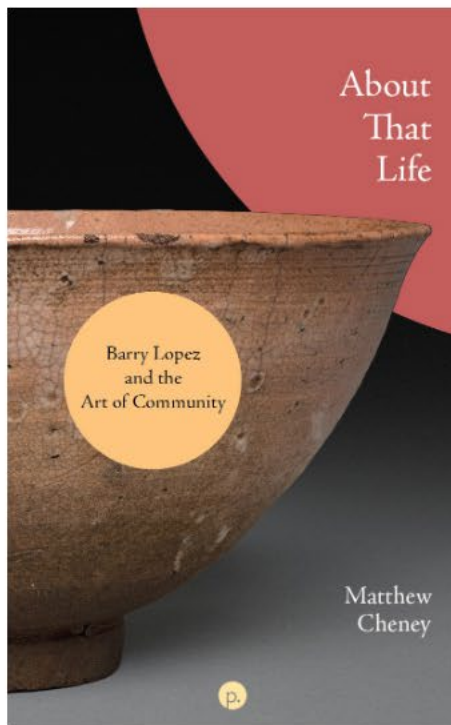
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### About That Life: Barry Lopez and the Art of Community



Author: Matthew Cheney

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Customised  
Outputs

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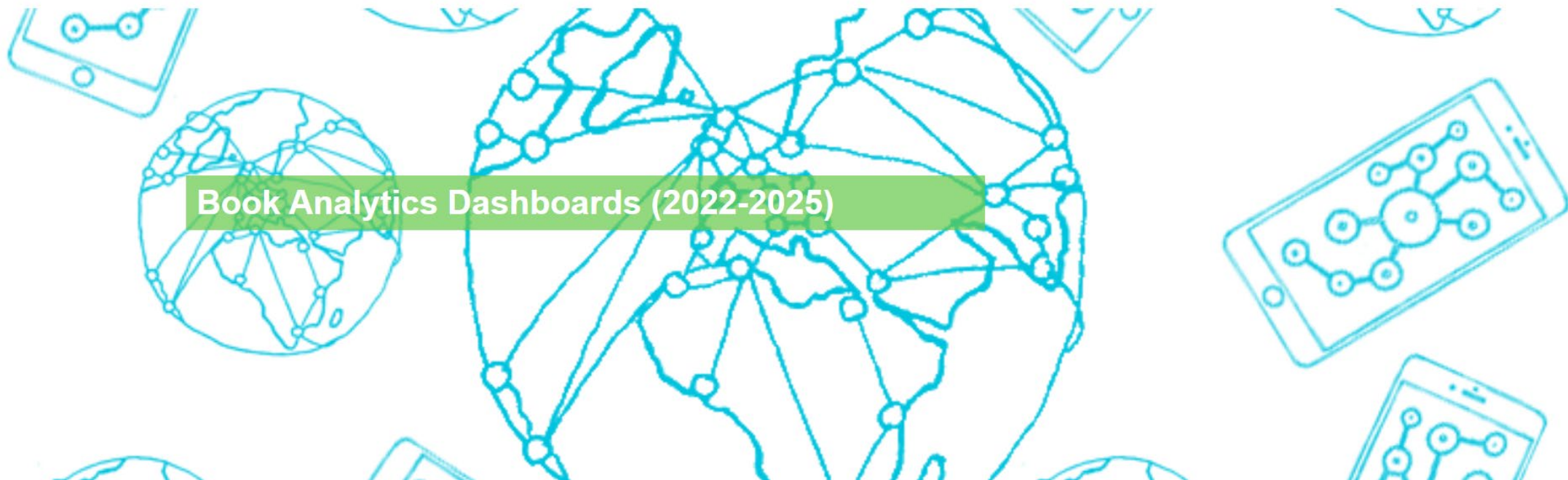
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## Book Analytics Dashboards (2022-2025)

### Project Background

The Book Analytics Dashboard Project (2022-2025) is focused on creating a sustainable OA Book focused analytics service. This service is needed to safeguard and support diversity in the voices, perspectives, geographies, topics and languages made visible through OA Books. Funded by the [Mellon Foundation](#), the Book Analytics Dashboard project is building on an earlier Mellon-funded initiative: [Developing a Pilot Data Trust for OA eBook Usage \(2020 – 2022\)](#). In addition to scaling workflows, infrastructure and customer

**Formal Project Title:** OA Book Usage Analytics for Diverse Communities – A Demonstration Project

**Short Title:** Book Analytics Dashboard Project

**Duration:** April 2022 – April 2025

**Funders:** [Mellon Foundation](#), [COARD](#)



# Distribution Services: combining metadata and content

(Semi)automated processes for distributing metadata and content on behalf of publishers



# Distribution Services: creating a university repository/archiving network

*Joining open silos*





## Ingest

## Export

### Free

- API
- UI
- ONIX

- GraphQL API
- Export API

### Plus

#### Metadata Services

- Formatting
- Backlist Ingest
- Validation/Enhancement

#### Distribution Services

- Curated (meta)data and book delivery
- Archiving/Preservation
- Support/Training



## Next steps

- Improving UIs and formalising Thoth offering and business model
- Expanding the number of publishers using Thoth for metadata management and distribution services
- Extending the geographic and linguistic reach beyond anglophone countries
- Enhancing interoperability with other open infrastructures  
e.g. plug-in for OMP
- Creating network of National Libraries to host & archive OA books – led by British Library and National Library of Scotland



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