

# Wikibase for a Research Project

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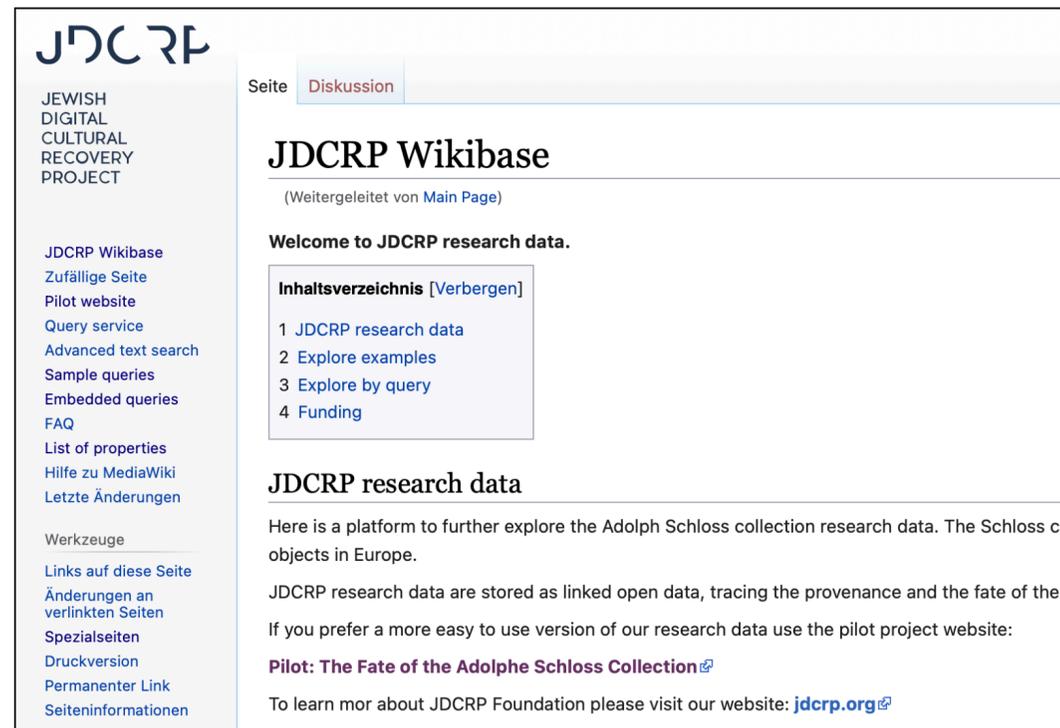
# JCDRP

**Jewish Digital Cultural Recovery Project - pilot project Adolph  
Schloss Collection**

# Adolph Schloss Collection

Wikibase as a store for structured data and short texts: artworks, provenance information, people, events (<https://wbdev.jdcrp-research.eu>)

Pilot project website: presentation layer built on the data (<https://pilot-demo.jdcrp.org/>)



The screenshot shows the Wikibase interface for the JDCRP project. The header includes the JDCRP logo and the text 'JEWISH DIGITAL CULTURAL RECOVERY PROJECT'. A navigation menu on the left lists various tools and links. The main content area is titled 'JDCRP Wikibase' and includes a welcome message, a table of contents with links to 'JDCRP research data', 'Explore examples', 'Explore by query', and 'Funding', and a section titled 'JDCRP research data' with introductory text and a link to the pilot project website.

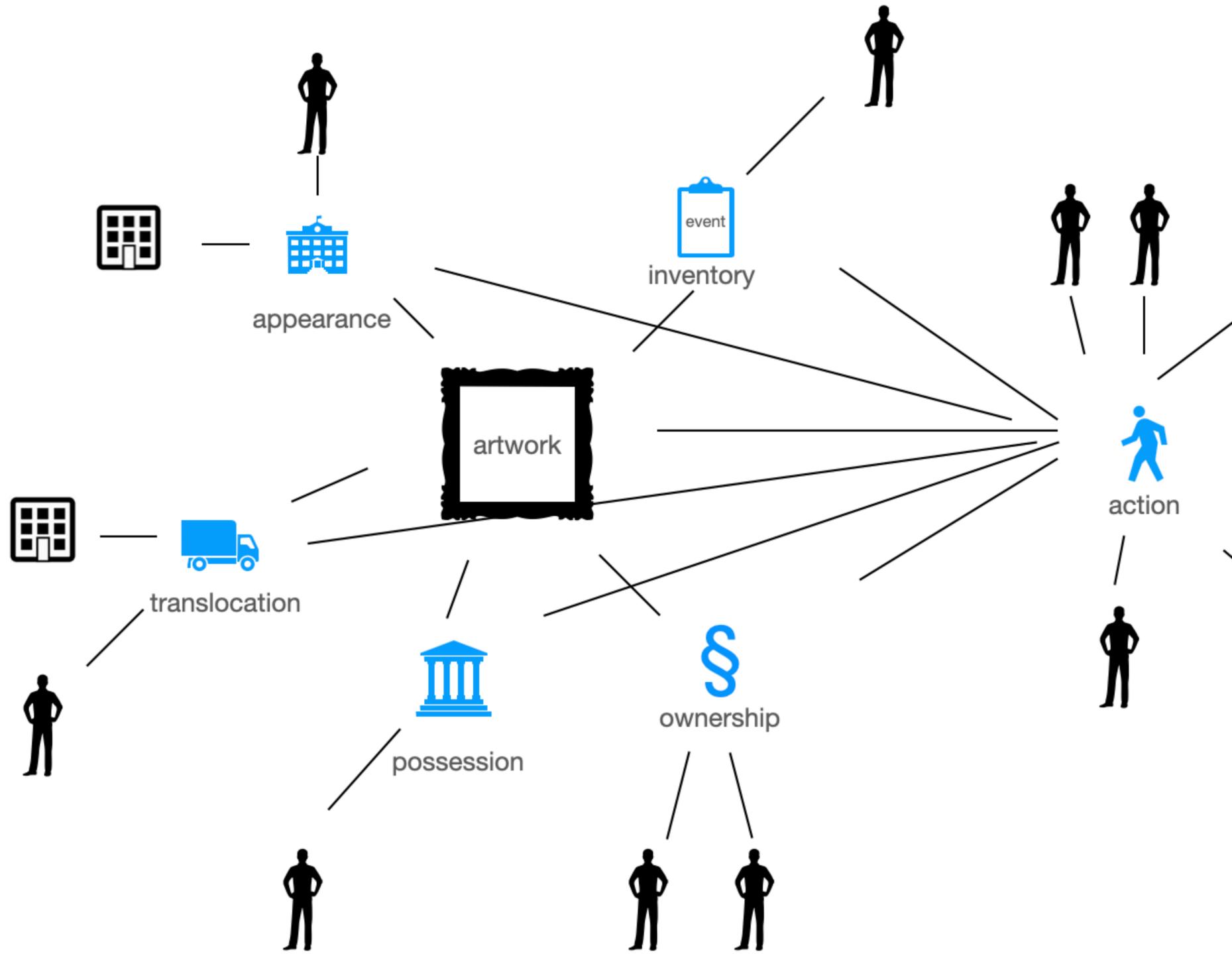


The screenshot shows the pilot project website with a dark blue header and navigation menu. The main heading is 'THE PILOT: JEWISH DIGITAL CULTURAL RECOVERY PROJECT'. Below the heading is a paragraph describing the project's goal: 'The goal of the JDCRP pilot project, *The Fate of the Adolphe Schloss Collection*, is to test the feasibility of building a comprehensive database containing historical-archival information about Jewish-owned cultural and artistic objects that were forcibly displaced between 1933 and 1945. This experimental project proposes a different approach than previous efforts and aims to enrich data searches, provide deeper historical context, and explore how new technologies and research methodologies can enhance users' experiences.' At the bottom, there are two buttons: 'ABOUT →' and 'RESEARCH DATA →'. The page also features a map of Europe, a photograph of an art gallery, and a document snippet.

# Data on Adolph Schloss Collection

**Research data: artworks, provenance information, people, events**

- Collection Reconstruction: artworks and their provenances, including pre Schloss transactions
- Events related to paintings, translocations, splitting up of the collection
- Granular data using triples
- Build queries and generate views
- Collection of primary data



has provenance note



Sale 1949-05-25, Portrait of a gentleman

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▼ 0 references

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Sale 2013-10-02, Portrait of a gentleman

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Sale 1952-03-27, Portrait of a gentleman

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Unknown owners owned Portrait of a gentleman (Leyster) by Judith Leyster

edit

▼ 0 references



Schloss heirs, Paris 1939 (Corrèze) France, 1939 a gentleman (Leyster)

▼ 0 references



Lucie Haas Schloss, Pa gentleman (Leyster) by

provenance statements

## Portrait of a gentleman (Leyster) (Q4817)

painting by Judith Leyster, 1652

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English	Portrait of a gentleman (Leyster)	painting by Judith Leyster, 1652	
German	Männerbildnis	No description defined	

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# Sale 1952-03-27, Portrait of a gentleman (Q9432)

Maurice-Rheims-Paris-1952-03-27\_Leyster\_Portrait\_52595

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**entry**  Maurice Rheims, Paris, 1952-03-27  edit

▼ 0 references  + add reference

 + add value

**related painting**  Portrait of a gentleman (Leyster)  edit

▼ 0 references  + add reference

 + add value

**transfer to**  Daniël George van Beuningen  edit

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Sale of a portrait

Portrait of a gentleman (Leyster)	<a href="http://wbdev.jdcrp-research.eu/entity/Q6456">http://wbdev.jdcrp-research.eu/entity/Q6456</a>	Private collection Adolphe Schloss, Paris, at least since 1903-1910 owned Portrait of a gentleman (Leyster) by Judith Leyster	1903-01-01T00:00:00Z	1910-01-01T00:00:00Z
Portrait of a gentleman (Leyster)	<a href="http://wbdev.jdcrp-research.eu/entity/Q7757">http://wbdev.jdcrp-research.eu/entity/Q7757</a>	Lucie Haas Schloss, Paris, 1911-1938 owned Portrait of a gentleman (Leyster) by Judith Leyster	1911-01-01T00:00:00Z	1938-01-01T00:00:00Z
Portrait of a gentleman (Leyster)	<a href="http://wbdev.jdcrp-research.eu/entity/Q7660">http://wbdev.jdcrp-research.eu/entity/Q7660</a>	Schloss heirs, Paris 1938; Château de Chambon, Laguenne (Corrèze) France, 1939-08-20 to 1943-04-16 owned Portrait of a gentleman (Leyster) by Judith Leyster	1938-01-01T00:00:00Z	1943-01-01T00:00:00Z
Portrait of a gentleman (Leyster)	<a href="http://wbdev.jdcrp-research.eu/entity/Q6352">http://wbdev.jdcrp-research.eu/entity/Q6352</a>	Private collection, Daniël George van Beuningen, Rotterdam/Vierhouten, 1952-1955 owned Portrait of a gentleman (Leyster) by Judith Leyster	1952-01-01T00:00:00Z	1955-01-01T00:00:00Z
Portrait of a gentleman (Leyster)	<a href="http://wbdev.jdcrp-research.eu/entity/Q7308">http://wbdev.jdcrp-research.eu/entity/Q7308</a>	Private collection, Albertha Eveline van Beuningen-Charlouis, by descent from her husband, Daniël George van Beuningen, Vierhouten, 1955 owned Portrait of a gentleman (Leyster) by Judith Leyster	1955-01-01T00:00:00Z	1955-01-01T00:00:00Z
Portrait of a gentleman (Leyster)	<a href="http://wbdev.jdcrp-research.eu/entity/Q7170">http://wbdev.jdcrp-research.eu/entity/Q7170</a>	Private collection, the Netherlands, 2013 owned Portrait of a gentleman (Leyster) by Judith Leyster	2013-10-02T00:00:00Z	

bring your data items into Wiki pages:

provenance statements listed in object page

# Modeling provenance data...

- Planned model should have been more granular, but existing data does not always fit the model
- Ownership statement: owned by ... from ... to
- Transfer of ownership statement: sales, by inheritance etc.

# Erhard Göpel

A trained art historian, Dr. Göpel officially started acquiring artworks for the *Sonderauftrag Linz* in May 1943. Together with Bruno Lohse, Göring's agent at the Jeu de Paume in Paris serving as deputy director of the ERR in France, Göpel played a leading role in the acquisition of the Schloss collection. In April 1943, and in the absence of Dr. Hermann Voss, Director of the *Sonderauftrag Linz*, he took charge by authoring a lengthy telegram to Martin Bormann on the collection's cultural value, its seizure, and its importance for the *Sonderauftrag*. Together with Lohse, Göpel selected 262 paintings for the *Sonderauftrag* and was charged with working on an inventory after the collection had reached the Jeu de Paume on 03 November 1943. In early December 1943, Göpel personally accompanied the transport of the collection to Munich, which was subsequently received by Hans Reger, the architect in charge of the *Führerbau*. In March 1944, Göpel secured two more paintings from the Schloss collection. After the end of World War II, Dr. Göpel defended his work for the *Sonderauftrag* and his involvement with the Schloss collection. This was especially evident in a 1953 written self-interpretation, in which he captured his understanding of a talk he had in 1951 with S. Lane Faison, the then director of the Munich Central Collecting Point (MCCP).

**Literature:** Christian Fuhrmeister, *Erhard Göpel im Nationalsozialismus - eine Skizze*, München: Zentralinstitut für Kunstgeschichte, January 2018. Online at: [about:blank [urn:nbn:de:bvb:255-dtl-0000003675](https://nbn-resolving.org/urn:nbn:de:bvb:255-dtl-0000003675)] "Sammlung Schloß" in Birgit Schwarz, *Hitlers Museum. Die Fotoalben der Gemäldegalerie Linz*, Wien: Böhlau Verlag, 2004, pp. 77-78. [about:blank Art Looting Investigation Unit], Final Report, p. 35.

Works written by Dr. Erhard Göpel can be found at: [about:blank <https://portal.dnb.de/opac.htm?method=simpleSearch&query=116705000>]

**lifetime** 1906-1966  
**GND** [116705000](#)  
**Wikidata** [Q1350820](#)  
**occupation** art historian  
**operating at** Paris

## Events Erhard Göpel has been involved in [\[edit\]](#)

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<a href="http://wbdev.jdcrp-research.eu/entity/Q8718">http://wbdev.jdcrp-research.eu/entity/Q8718</a>	Meeting between Lohse and Göpel at the Hotel Brighton in Paris	1943-04-01T00:00:00Z
<a href="http://wbdev.jdcrp-research.eu/entity/Q8463">http://wbdev.jdcrp-research.eu/entity/Q8463</a>	Power of attorney issued by Voss to Dr. Erhard Göpel	1943-04-03T00:00:00Z
<a href="http://wbdev.jdcrp-research.eu/entity/Q8466">http://wbdev.jdcrp-research.eu/entity/Q8466</a>	Meeting between Lohse and Göpel at Hotel Brighton in Paris	1943-04-19T00:00:00Z
<a href="http://wbdev.jdcrp-research.eu/entity/Q8678">http://wbdev.jdcrp-research.eu/entity/Q8678</a>	Meeting between Lohse, Voss, Fleischer and Dietrich in Munich	1943-04-25T00:00:00Z
<a href="http://wbdev.jdcrp-research.eu/entity/Q8462">http://wbdev.jdcrp-research.eu/entity/Q8462</a>	Variant - Competition between Lohse and Göpel	1943-04-26T00:00:00Z

Incorporate data from your items in Wiki pages

# Lessens learned working with data items and pages

Structured data is important to query on but in order to tell a story one needs to write text.

A conceptual well prepared data model requires granular data, sometimes we do not have the time or information to do this.

# Visualizing Data

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B.323/1212 inventory no. 1: Landschaft	<a href="http://wbdev.jdcrp-research.eu/entity/Q5083">Q &lt;http://wbdev.jdcrp-research.eu/entity/Q5083&gt;</a>	1	<a href="http://wbdev.jdcrp-research.eu/entity/Q1179">Q &lt;http://wbdev.jdcrp-research.eu/entity/Q1179&gt;</a>	Schloss 1	van Asch, Pieter	Landscape	<a href="http://wbdev.jdcrp-research.eu/entity/Q4838">Q &lt;http://wbdev.jdcrp-research.eu/entity/Q4838&gt;</a>
B.323/1212 inventory no. 2: Frauenportrait	<a href="http://wbdev.jdcrp-research.eu/entity/Q5347">Q &lt;http://wbdev.jdcrp-research.eu/entity/Q5347&gt;</a>	1	<a href="http://wbdev.jdcrp-research.eu/entity/Q1179">Q &lt;http://wbdev.jdcrp-research.eu/entity/Q1179&gt;</a>	Schloss 2	Backer, Jacob Adriaenss	Portrait of a woman	<a href="http://wbdev.jdcrp-research.eu/entity/Q4646">Q &lt;http://wbdev.jdcrp-research.eu/entity/Q4646&gt;</a>
B.323/1212 inventory no. 3: Seestück	<a href="http://wbdev.jdcrp-research.eu/entity/Q5349">Q &lt;http://wbdev.jdcrp-research.eu/entity/Q5349&gt;</a>	1	<a href="http://wbdev.jdcrp-research.eu/entity/Q1179">Q &lt;http://wbdev.jdcrp-research.eu/entity/Q1179&gt;</a>	Schloss 3	Backhuyzen, Indolf L.J.	Seascape	<a href="http://wbdev.jdcrp-research.eu/entity/Q4752">Q &lt;http://wbdev.jdcrp-research.eu/entity/Q4752&gt;</a>
B.323/1212 inventory no. 4: Eine Schmiede	<a href="http://wbdev.jdcrp-research.eu/entity/Q5195">Q &lt;http://wbdev.jdcrp-research.eu/entity/Q5195&gt;</a>	2	<a href="http://wbdev.jdcrp-research.eu/entity/Q523">Q &lt;http://wbdev.jdcrp-research.eu/entity/Q523&gt;</a>	Schloss 4	Beelt, Cornelis	Forge	<a href="http://wbdev.jdcrp-research.eu/entity/Q4553">Q &lt;http://wbdev.jdcrp-research.eu/entity/Q4553&gt;</a>
B.323/1212 inventory no. 5: Winterlandschaft	<a href="http://wbdev.jdcrp-research.eu/entity/Q5153">Q &lt;http://wbdev.jdcrp-research.eu/entity/Q5153&gt;</a>	2	<a href="http://wbdev.jdcrp-research.eu/entity/Q523">Q &lt;http://wbdev.jdcrp-research.eu/entity/Q523&gt;</a>	Schloss 5	Beelt, Cornelis	Winter landscape	<a href="http://wbdev.jdcrp-research.eu/entity/Q4818">Q &lt;http://wbdev.jdcrp-research.eu/entity/Q4818&gt;</a>
B.323/1212 inventory no. 6: Holländisches Interieur	<a href="http://wbdev.jdcrp-research.eu/entity/Q5353">Q &lt;http://wbdev.jdcrp-research.eu/entity/Q5353&gt;</a>	2	<a href="http://wbdev.jdcrp-research.eu/entity/Q523">Q &lt;http://wbdev.jdcrp-research.eu/entity/Q523&gt;</a>	Schloss 6	Bega, Cornelis	Dutch Interior	<a href="http://wbdev.jdcrp-research.eu/entity/Q4827">Q &lt;http://wbdev.jdcrp-research.eu/entity/Q4827&gt;</a>
B.323/1212 inventory no. 7: Früchtestilleben	<a href="http://wbdev.jdcrp-research.eu/entity/Q5119">Q &lt;http://wbdev.jdcrp-research.eu/entity/Q5119&gt;</a>	2	<a href="http://wbdev.jdcrp-research.eu/entity/Q523">Q &lt;http://wbdev.jdcrp-research.eu/entity/Q523&gt;</a>	Schloss 7	van Beyreren, Abraham	Fruits	<a href="http://wbdev.jdcrp-research.eu/entity/Q4771">Q &lt;http://wbdev.jdcrp-research.eu/entity/Q4771&gt;</a>
B.323/1212 inventory no. 8: Bewegte See mit Blick Dordrecht	<a href="http://wbdev.jdcrp-research.eu/entity/Q5266">Q &lt;http://wbdev.jdcrp-research.eu/entity/Q5266&gt;</a>	3	<a href="http://wbdev.jdcrp-research.eu/entity/Q1779">Q &lt;http://wbdev.jdcrp-research.eu/entity/Q1779&gt;</a>	Schloss 8	van Beyreren, Abraham	Stormy Sea Near Dordrecht	<a href="http://wbdev.jdcrp-research.eu/entity/Q4780">Q &lt;http://wbdev.jdcrp-research.eu/entity/Q4780&gt;</a>
B.323/1212 inventory no. 9: Landschaft mit Figuren und Tieren	<a href="http://wbdev.jdcrp-research.eu/entity/Q5122">Q &lt;http://wbdev.jdcrp-research.eu/entity/Q5122&gt;</a>	3	<a href="http://wbdev.jdcrp-research.eu/entity/Q1779">Q &lt;http://wbdev.jdcrp-research.eu/entity/Q1779&gt;</a>	Schloss 9	Berchem, Nicolas van	Landscape with Figures and Animals	<a href="http://wbdev.jdcrp-research.eu/entity/Q4690">Q &lt;http://wbdev.jdcrp-research.eu/entity/Q4690&gt;</a>
B.323/1212 inventory no. 10: Rückkehr vom Feld	<a href="http://wbdev.jdcrp-research.eu/entity/Q5335">Q &lt;http://wbdev.jdcrp-research.eu/entity/Q5335&gt;</a>	3	<a href="http://wbdev.jdcrp-research.eu/entity/Q1779">Q &lt;http://wbdev.jdcrp-research.eu/entity/Q1779&gt;</a>	Schloss 10	Berchem, Nicolas van	Return from the Field	<a href="http://wbdev.jdcrp-research.eu/entity/Q4730">Q &lt;http://wbdev.jdcrp-research.eu/entity/Q4730&gt;</a>
B.323/1212 inventory no. 11: Ansicht des Schlosses in Haag	<a href="http://wbdev.jdcrp-research.eu/entity/Q5133">Q &lt;http://wbdev.jdcrp-research.eu/entity/Q5133&gt;</a>	4	<a href="http://wbdev.jdcrp-research.eu/entity/Q476">Q &lt;http://wbdev.jdcrp-research.eu/entity/Q476&gt;</a>	Schloss 11	Berckheyde, Gerritx	View of the Castle in Hague	<a href="http://wbdev.jdcrp-research.eu/entity/Q4491">Q &lt;http://wbdev.jdcrp-research.eu/entity/Q4491&gt;</a>

## Listing: paintings and related inventory entries

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4) Beelt, Cornelis

Eine Schmiede  
Auf der Mauer bezeichnet: K.Beelt  
Holz. 48 : 67 cm  
Provenienz: Sawyerly Heirloms, Pulleridge Bury  
Schloss Nr.6

5) Beelt, Cornelis

Winterlandschaft  
Links unten bezeichnet: K.Beelt  
Holz. 46 : 61 cm  
Schloss Nr.7

6) Bega, Cornelis

Holländisches Interieur  
Holz. 36 : 32 cm  
Schloss Nr.8  
Feines Bild

7) van Beijeren, Abraham van

Früchtestilleben  
Auf einer Tischecke mit Initialen bezeichnet  
Leinwand. 63 : 54 cm  
Schloss Nr.9  
Gutes Bild

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## inventory scan and entry

### B.323/1212 inventory no. 5: Winterlandschaft (Q5153)

01LI\_005\_Beelt

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German	B.323/1212 inventory no. 5: Winterlandschaft	No description defined	

#### Statements

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[+ add value](#)

**measurements** 46 : 61 cm edit

[0 references](#)

[+ add reference](#)

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**medium** Holz edit

[0 references](#)



Map: paintings plundered in Munich and then recovered

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# Why Wikibase for research data?

- Flexibility in modelling data
- Visualizations und views
- Images included
- Conflicting evidence
- Vagness, incompleteness

# Dates

Extended Date / Time Format (EDTF)

<https://www.loc.gov/standards/datetime/edtf.html>

Handle dates like „summer 1945“

# Artists and Attributions

Different perspectives:

Artist names add value to an artwork

Artist names give context - creation event, artists workshop

Artist names mean restrictions - legal context, export

=> data model?

# Discussion

## Possible questions

Classical provenance statements have a very limited view, we have a other events connected to a case.

How complex should the data model be? What is our focus?

Structured data vs. text / storytelling.

Attributions in the contexts of art sales, translocations and looting.

**Thank you!**

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