An analysis of the future of national biographical dictionaries

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Aim of the paper

➢ Participate in the debate on the future of national biographical dictionaries

➢ Focus: meaning, personages, scientific structure, public, material format
Origin of National Dictionaries

➢ Biographies of eminent people of the Nation
➢ Building nations: identity
➢ Construction of time and geography of the new nation
➢ Public cultural institutions
➢ Great erudition – extensive biographies
➢ Continuity – non stop – no return
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Changes in the XXI Century

➢ Choice of the personages
➢ European dimension
➢ *Open innovation*: open editorial structure
➢ Public: different levels
➢ Online edition
Conclusions

➢ Does It make sense a national project?
➢ Who are eminent people today?
➢ Thematic subprojects
➢ Open to academic contributions
➢ Different levels
➢ Online edition
THANK YOU VERY MUCH

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