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Dear Dr Larionow and Prof Vivian,

last month I received the long expected call for papers for the meeting of the Scenography Working Group in Prague. Reading the very interesting central questions that you want to discuss I wonder if the proposal that I had planned to submit would fit. This is what I would like to ask you about.

In collaboration with the "Bund der Szenografen", a Berlin based scenographers' association I am currently developing a system for a database for scenography. The idea is to generate an internet-based tool that should serve two purposes: 1. a register for scenographers, slightly comparable with an illustrated business directory and 2. an archive of contemporary scenography to be used by scholars in the field. The technical base will be an open source database structure that allows decentral content submission.

Cooperating with the practioners I would deeply appreciate further exchange of ideas with the academic side. Having taken part in the last meeting in Amsterdam I know how fruitful and inspiring the discussions of the Scenography Working Group can be. I am sure that both the audience and the project would greatly benefit from a wider discussion about the questions of authenticity which always arise if you start thinking about ways to archive (traces of) scenography.

However, taking the thematic focus of the meeting into account, I would like to ask you if you can imagine a paper about the database project as contribution to the meeting. I would be very happy to hear about your opinion on that question.

Best Regards  
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