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What changes does the revised PSI Directive bring?

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The revised PSI Directive [1]:

- introduces a genuine right to reuse by making reusable all content that can be accessed under national access to documents laws;
- lowers the upper ceiling for charges on reuse applicable in standard cases to marginal costs, i.e. the costs incurred by the individual request for reuse (reproduction, provision and dissemination costs); exceptions are allowed in a limited set of cases;
- expands the scope of application of the Directive to certain cultural institutions such as libraries (including university libraries), museums and archives, but making them subject to a number of different rules that reflect that set of rules of the 2003 Directive [2], namely:
  There is no genuine right to reuse; only such documents the reuse of which has previously been allowed are reusable;
  Cultural institutions can charge reusers based on the principle of full costs recovery, including a reasonable return on investment;
  Cultural institutions may engage in the award of exclusive exploitation rights if necessary to ensure digitisation projects,
- reinforces the obligation to be transparent on conditions and on charges applied to reuse;
- invites Member State to make more documents available in machine-readable and open formats.

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