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Hi everyone,

More good news from our project camp. I am delighted to say that the formal first edition of the new version of Livingstone Online has now been published: <http://livingstoneonline.org/>

This is a major project milestone, the principal milestone of LEAP (the Livingstone Online Enrichment and Access Project), and an accomplishment to which you have all contributed (often in considerable ways) over the last three years.

Among the highlights of this formal first edition are:

- the fact that our site is now fully mobile enabled and indeed highly usable from whatever device you have, big or small. This feature considerably broadens our potential audiences, especially in Africa where we are now expanding our collaborative efforts;
- multiple search and browse options for encountering our [digital collection](#), including a fully redeveloped [Browse by Digital Catalogue](#) page, a new [Browse by Timeline](#) page, and our [Browse by Addressee](#) and [Repository](#) pages;
- new essays that for the first time set out the [theory behind Livingstone Online](#) and the [principles by which we designed the site](#) as well as a [revised introductory section](#) that clarifies our mission as a digital museum and library;
- and much more

For this most recent phase of site development, I would like to single out the brilliant work of our programmers, Kathy Chavez (KappaLuppa, Inc.) and Nigel Banks. Nigel has been instrumental in helping us set up the site at the University of Maryland and in developing the Browse by Digital Catalogue page as well our fabulous manuscript viewer and key back end elements of the site, while Kathy has tackled every challenge we've thrown her way over the last year and a half and ultimately produced stunning results in implementing our site design in all its complexities and in translating the design to mobile formats. All of our efforts and project contributions are now comprehensively represented thanks to their work, and we owe them a huge debt of gratitude. I would also like to thank Heather Ball for her vibrant leadership and dedication in the last month, while I was traveling, as she worked with Kathy to put the finishing touches on the site.

Please help me celebrate our immense collective achievement. I hope that you will enjoy what you find, and I do hope you can help spread the news about our site. Thank you all for being part of our project.

With very best wishes,

Adrian

P.S. As always, we've done our best to QC the site, but there are undoubtedly bugs we've missed, so should you come across anything that doesn't quite function like it should, please let me know.