


The NDIIPP MetaArchive Project and the Educopia Institute

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National Digital Information Infrastructure and Preservation Program (NDIIPP)

- Government funding to:
 - Build and support a national network of partners working together to preserve digital content.
 - Identify and preserve at-risk digital content.
 - Support development and use of tools, models, and methods for digital preservation.
 - Develop a national digital collection and preservation strategy.
- Overall effort involves more than 130 partners



Seeds of MetaArchive Cooperative

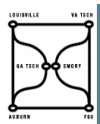
- LOCKSS (Stanford)
- MetaScholar Initiative (Emory)
- “Exposing Hidden Collections” conference (ARL)

Establishing the MetaArchive Cooperative



- Distributed digital preservation network for critical and at-risk content relating to the history and culture of the American South.
- Develop a prioritized conspectus to ensure preservation of the digital materials most vulnerable to loss and in formats considered most at risk.
- Use LOCKSS to harvest digital content from each other.
- Create cooperative agreement for sustainable collaboration

MetaArchive Founding Partners



- Emory University (Atlanta, Georgia)
- Georgia Tech (Atlanta, Georgia)
- University of Louisville (Louisville, Kentucky)
- Virginia Tech (Blacksburg, Virginia)
- Florida State University (Tallahassee, Florida)
- Auburn University (Auburn, Alabama)
- [Library of Congress (Washington, DC)]

Sustainability and governance



- Flexible organizational model
 - Charter broadly defines mission, goals, and activities of the Cooperative
 - Membership Agreement details responsibilities of members of Cooperative
 - Establishment of nonprofit organization, Educopia Institute, to administer Cooperative
 - Minimal overhead.

Committees and communication



- Committees:
 - Steering
 - Content
 - Preservation
 - Technical
- Communications:
 - Conference calls (1/week)
 - Steering Committee meetings (2/year)
 - Listserv(s)
 - Wiki for document development
 - Participation in NDIIPP meetings

Expansion and outreach



- Improving and expanding existing collaboration
 - Evolving standards and guidelines to offer as a model for new networks and collaborations
 - Enhancing technology, tools, and services
 - Wide applicability to a range of institutions and digital content
- Spreading the word
 - Outreach to libraries, archives, and museums
 - Participation in Section 108 Study Group
- Adding new networks
 - Electronic Theses and Dissertations Network
 - Transatlantic Slave Trade Network
- Ongoing exploration of projects to investigate and advance digital preservation.

Membership types and fees



- All membership types presuppose membership in the LOCKSS Alliance (rates based on Carnegie classification) and a 3-year commitment
- Sustaining Members
 - Leadership role
 - Operate a node
 - Contribute more of content/year to be harvested
 - Cost: \$5K/year or \$12K/3 years
- Preservation Members
 - Operate a node
 - Contribute some content/year to be harvested
 - Cost: \$1K/year
- Contributing Members
 - Contribute 1 collection/plugin to be harvested (can buy more)
 - Cost: \$300/year



For more information...

- MetaArchive - <http://www.metaarchive.org/>
- NDIIPP - <http://www.digitalpreservation.gov/>

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