

WG Media (English)

Objectives and Tasks

In all domains of culture and education an increasing amount of digital material and information is being generated, which is not just based on text but comprises elements like sound, graphics, videos, animations, simulations etc., frequently in combination with each other.

But the different institutions using digital material display a very inhomogeneous stage of development and state of knowledge on the topic. Libraries and institutions attached to the "Mediathek" network already possess functioning media-archives which are positive examples for the treatment of digital material. On the other hand, there are smaller institutions, like university institutes, wishing to use digital media – e. g. for the compilation of digital teaching material – but lacking the technical know-how and the means of implementation. Museums as well as collections also increasingly work on the basis of digital information and born-digital objects whose long-term preservation and accessibility have to be secured.

The nestor-work-group "media" is aspiring to become a centre of knowledge and expertise on best-practice approaches to the problem of long-term accessibility of digital, non-text based media. With the participation of renowned experts on the topic, a virtual meeting point will be established and a handbook on long-term archiving of non-text based media will be published with special consideration of problems regarding file formats, hardware for the creation of archival backup copies and workflow.

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Presentations

21/22nd June 2007	Online-Presentation at the International Conference - Knowledge by Networking
August 2007	Press release by Dr. Stefan Rohde-Enslin in two parts with recommendation for storage and preservation of digital pictures Press release digital pictures (only in German available)
14th March 2008	Workshop of the WG Media at Kunstgewerbemuseum Berlin " Replayed - Bewahrung von digitalen Artefakten am Beispiel von Computerspielen "
25th - 27th May 2008	Lecture and Workshop at MAI-Conference at Sprengelmuseum Hannover: "Erstellung eines Konzeptes zur Langzeitbewahrung digitaler Objekte in Museen" http://www.mai-tagung.de/maitagung+2008/programm.htm (only in German available)

Links to related international initiatives and projects

[TAPE - Training for Audiovisual Preservation in Europe](#)

[SEPIA - Safeguarding European Photographic Images for Access](#)

[Memoriav - Preserving the audiovisual heritage](#)

[PEVIAR - Permanent Visual Archive](#)

[Imaging & Media Lab der Universität Basel](#)

[Minerva - Ministerial NETwoRk for Valorisierung Activities in digitisation](#)