Planning the Future with Planets

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Agenda

Introduction to Planets

- Who are we?
- What are we doing?
- Why are we doing it?

The Planets architecture and components
 Workshop Programme





The Planets project

- 4-year research and technology development project co-funded by the European Union
- Addresses core digital preservation challenges
- □ Started June 2006 with €15m budget
- Coordinated by the British Library
- □ 16 partners
 - national libraries and archives
 - leading technology companies
 - research universities
- Builds on strong digital archiving and preservation programmes





Planets partners



- The British Library
- National Library, Netherlands
- Austrian National Library
- State and University Library, Denmark
- Royal Library, Denmark



- National Archives, UK
- Swiss Federal Archives
- National Archives, Netherlands

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Planets partners







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- □ IBM Netherlands
- Microsoft Research
- Austrian Research Centers GmbH
- Hatii at University of Glasgow
- □ University of Freiburg
- Vienna University of Technology
- University of Cologne





The Planets team



All Staff Meeting, February 2007





Aims and objectives

Increase Europe's ability to ensure long-term access to its cultural and scientific heritage

- Improve decision-making
- Control costs through increased automation and scalable infrastructure
- Ensure wide adoption across the user community
- Establish a market place for preservation services and tools

Build practical solutions

- Integrate existing expertise, designs and tools
- Deliver tools and services for operational environments





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Planets Architecture







- Dioscuri: Modular emulation of the full hardware/software environment
- Universal Virtual Computer (UVC): provides a layered durable approach to emulation

Preservation Action Tools registry XML language for describing preservation action tools





Preservation

Action

Services

Preservation Characterisation

Characterisation framework

- Unifies tools for identifying file formats and extracting object properties
- Characterisation registry
 - Based on the file format registry PRONOM
- eXtensible Characterisation
 Languages (XCL)
 - Family of XML languages for characterising digital objects

□ Comparator verifies effects of preservation actions







Infrastructure and Testbed

- Interoperability Framework provides common basis
 - JBoss Application Server
 - Logging, Security Services
 - Registry services
 - User management and Single-Sign-On

Planets Testbed

- Controlled environment for the execution of experiments
- Accumulated experience base collected in registry







Preservation planning

- Collection profiling services
- □ Technology watch services
- □ Risk assessment of digital objects
- Preservation planning methodology
- □ Tool support: Plato, the Planning Tool







Preservation planning

- Evaluating preservation strategies
- Variety of solutions and tools exist
- □ Each strategy has unique strengths and weaknesses
- □ Requirements vary across settings
- Decision on which solution to adopt is complex
- Documentation and accountability is essential
- Preservation planning assists in decision making
- Evaluation of strategies on representative sample content according to specific requirements





Summary

- Planets methods, tools, and services help organisations diagnose and treat problems with their digital objects
- High levels of automation and scalable components reduce costs and improve quality
- Empirical data enables improved decision making
- □ Find out more: <u>http://www.planets-project.eu</u>





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Workshop Programme – Day 1

09.30-10.00 10.00-11.00	Welcome and introduction to the Planets project Introduction to the Planets system and architecture
11.00-11.30	Break
11.30-12.30	Introduction to the preservation planning process:
12.30-13.30	Lunch
13:30-14:00 14.00-14.45	Preservation planning workflow Planets preservation planning continued:
14.45-15.45	What is a preservation plan and how do we create it? Discussion on preservation planning
15.45-16.15	Break
16.15-16.45 16.45-17.00	Planets dissemination and outreach activities Summary and considerations for day two (including group assignments)





Workshop Programme – Day 2

09.30-10.00	Outline for the day, reiteration planning process
10.00-12.00	Part 1: Identification of institutional setting and selection of sample records <i>(including break)</i>
12.00-13.00	Lunch
13.00-14.45	Part 2: Defining requirements
14.45-15.00	Break
15.00-16.45	Part 3: Define tools, run experiments, evaluate results.
16.45-17.00	Summary and conclusions





Dinner tonight?

Plan to have dinner together tonight -> who is interested in joining?





Thank you very much for your attention and Enjoy the Workshop!

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