

Currents and Comments

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1 Projects and News

1.1 DPC's Digital Preservation Handbook Wins IRMS Innovation of the Year Award—Glasgow, UK

The Digital Preservation Coalition was presented with the Information and Records Management Society's Award for Innovation of the Year in recognition of its re-imagined and revised *Digital Preservation Handbook* at an awards ceremony held at the Hilton Hotel in Glasgow on May 22, 2017. Read more at <http://www.dpconline.org/news/handbook-wins-irms-innovation-award>.

1.2 Digital Preservation for Scottish Local Authorities—Scotland, UK

The National Records of Scotland launched two tools created for Scottish local authorities with responsibility for digital preservation. These tools are the product of a 12-month project to assist archivists and record managers in assessing their digital storage requirements and formulating a process for the permanent preservation of digital records. For more information about this event see <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/digitalpreservation-for-scottish-local-authorities-glasgow-tickets-35751684250>; and <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/digital-preservation-for-scottish-local-authorities-aberdeentickets-35752885844>.

1.3 Digital Preservation Advocacy Toolkit

The Council of Prairie and Pacific University Libraries is creating a digital preservation advocacy toolkit that consists of a graphics-heavy document or template intended

for use by senior academic administrators. To read more about this project see <http://www.coppul.ca/blog/2017/04/coppul-builds-future-establishes-coppul-digital-preservationnetwork>.

1.4 UNESCO UK Memory of the World Committee

The UNESCO UK Memory of the World Committee oversees the nomination, assessment, and inscription of entries on the UK Memory of the World Register. There are currently openings for new team members. For information on the voluntary team of experts see <https://www.unesco.org.uk/designation/memory-of-the-world-inscriptions-in-the-uk-uk-register>.

1.5 Endangered Data Week April 17–21, 2017

Groups of scientists, librarians, researchers, and other concerned Americans have rushed to preserve federal data and citations that have begun to disappear from government websites. Such efforts have culminated in a series of independently organized events across the country known as “Endangered Data Week.” To learn about what is being done visit the event page at <http://endangereddataweek.org>.

1.6 Sindh Archives Department Allocates Funds for Retrieval of Rare Documents—Pakistan

For the first time, the Sindh archives department has allocated funds in its budget to obtain rare books, documents, clippings, and audio and video recordings relating to the social, administrative, and development history of Sindh from India, the United Kingdom, and