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Digital continuity is a term coined by The National Archives. It means the ability to use digital information for as long as you need to, over time and through change.

The Digital Continuity project was set up in 2007. We received funding from all central government departments to develop a service that can be used by all of the public sector to understand and manage digital continuity. The service will include guidance and a Framework of tools, services and consultancy. Much of the guidance, and the Framework of tools and services, will be ready by the summer of 2010. The service will be fully embedded within The National Archives by early 2011.

[www.nationalarchives.gov.uk/electronicrecords/digitalcontinuity/default.htm](http://www.nationalarchives.gov.uk/electronicrecords/digitalcontinuity/default.htm)

The National Archives completed its contributions to JISC's InSPECT and Preserv2 projects in April 2009, but continues to be actively involved in Planets. In particular, we've improved the collection profiling tool, which is being used both within Digital Continuity and Planets, and have delivered through Planets major new enhancements to PRONOM that will enable Planets to experiment with new characterisation and risk assessment services.

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