

IIPC activity: standards & tools for domain scale archiving

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International Internet Preservation Consortium

- → IIPC launched in July 2003 http://netpreserve.org
 - → 11 national libraries and Internet Archive
- → Extension January 2007
- → Technical standardisation at the domain scale: functional architecture and standard APIs, archival format (WARC format), metadata, permanent identification
- Strong basic tools for all the chain from acquisition to access processes
 - →Open source, free licence tools
 - → Generic tools that can be adapted to local policies
- Provide a forum for sharing knowledge about Internet content archiving both within the Consortium and beyond



IPPC content management approach

- → Viewing the web as a whole at least at the domain level is the only way to record the real web
 - Broad extensive harvesting, focused intensive selection and harvesting, and deep web deposit are complementary techniques
- → The web scale can only be handled by automatic processes using appropriate specific tools for acquisition and access
 - Cannot be achieved by scaling up item per item classical approach
- → Archiving at large scale will allow future users to apply smart mining tools on historical archives.





Full set of tools for all the chain

- Focused selection and verification : curator tool development, BL, NZNL
 - First release expected by end of August 2006

→ Acquisition

- Heritrix crawler first released in January 2004
- Current version 1.8.0 released 5 May 2006
- Expecting version 1.10 delivering Warc format, summer 2006

→ Indexing and access

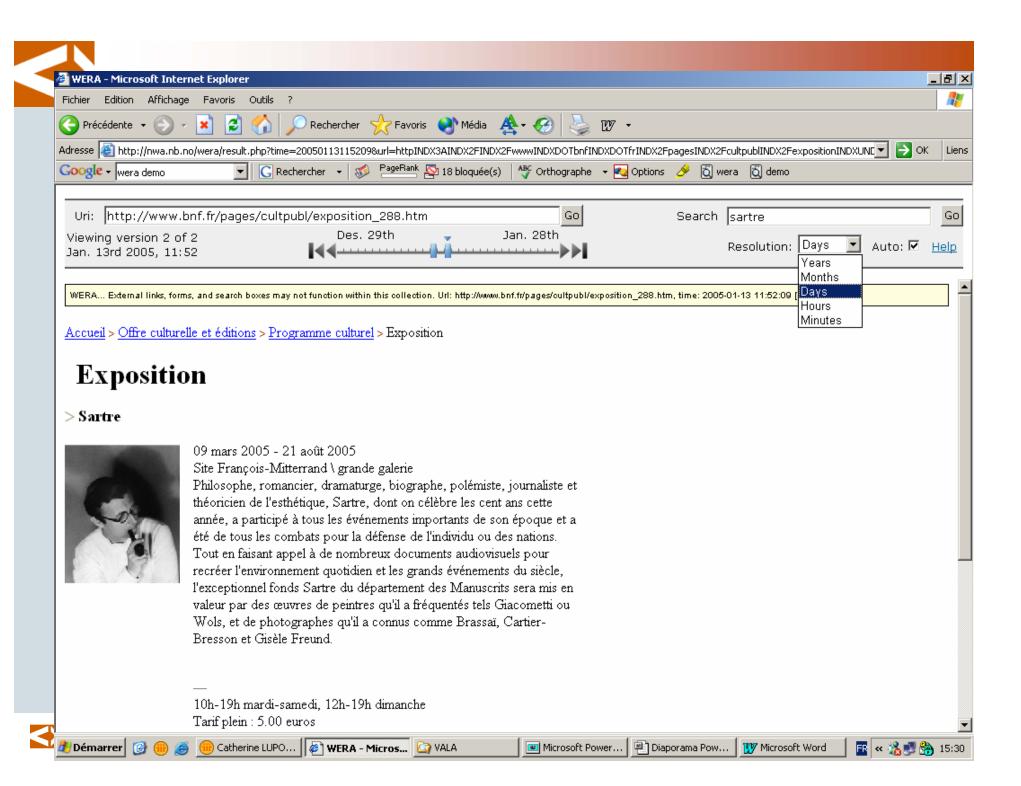
- Nutchwax: a Nutch-Lucene extension for Arc format and extended capacity to 100 million pages. Current version 0.6.0 released May 2006
- Open source Wayback machine. First release Dec 2005.
 Current version 0.4.0 released March 2006
- Wera interface: navigation principles. Version 0.4.1 released January 2006
- → Download http://netpreserve.org/software/downloads.php



Users access to large scale collections

- →IIPC simple access tool: WERA
 - → search by URI, by date of harvest
 - → full text indexing and search
 - navigation through the archive by URLs and over time
- http://nwa.nb.no/wera







Some other European national policies

→ Denmark

- Extension of legal deposit law December 2004
- Beginning national domain crawl by the Royal Library/Aarhus University in July 2005. Harvesting only
- No users' access at the moment.
 - Request by the law to filter personal data
 - Internet access of few sites by contract with the producer

→ France

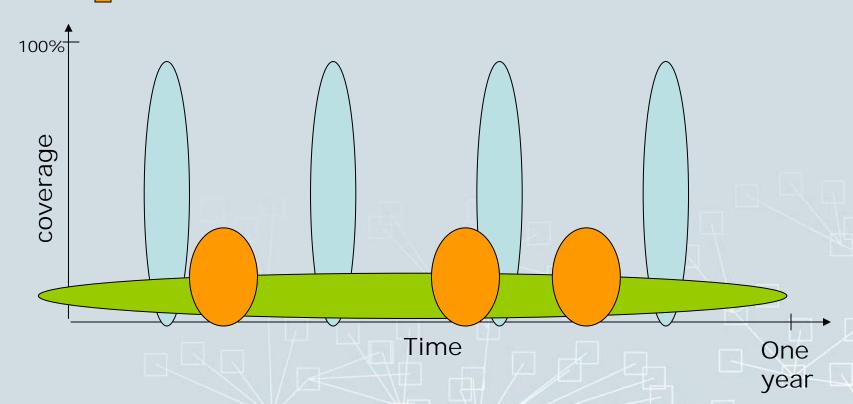
- Extension of legal deposit law under process
- Harvesting and deposit
- Intranet access only
- Broad crawl 2004, 2005, 2006 + events (elections 2002, 2004 and starting 2007 elections in next September)



Example of Denmark legal deposit harvest strategies



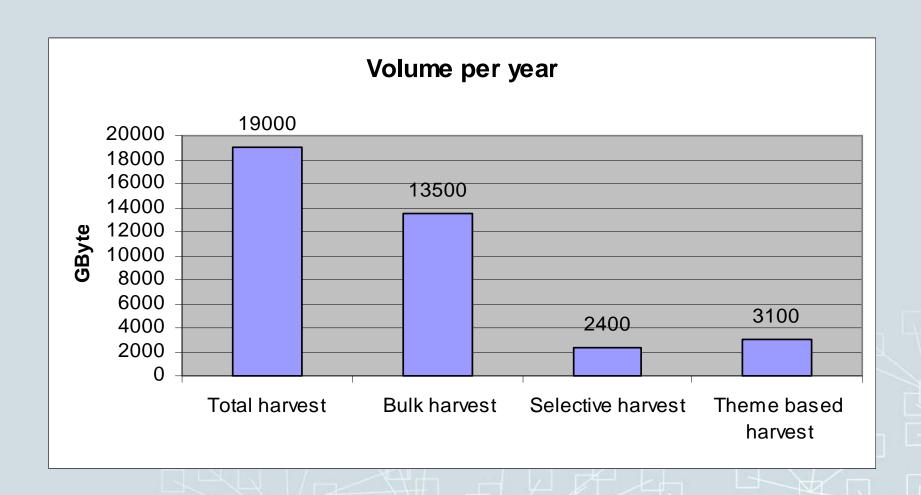
- Selective
- Theme based







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IIPC next phase programme

- → The first three years of the consortium have been dedicated to the basic toolset creation along with standardisation activity
- → The next IIPC phase will build on this first layer of tools for more sophisticated ones for acquisition and access.
- → The work on digital preservation already initiated will be a key part of the future consortium activities
- → The consortium will also work on archives interoperability

