

Persisting with Identifiers

Getting a handle on things from an archivist's perspective...

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Introduction

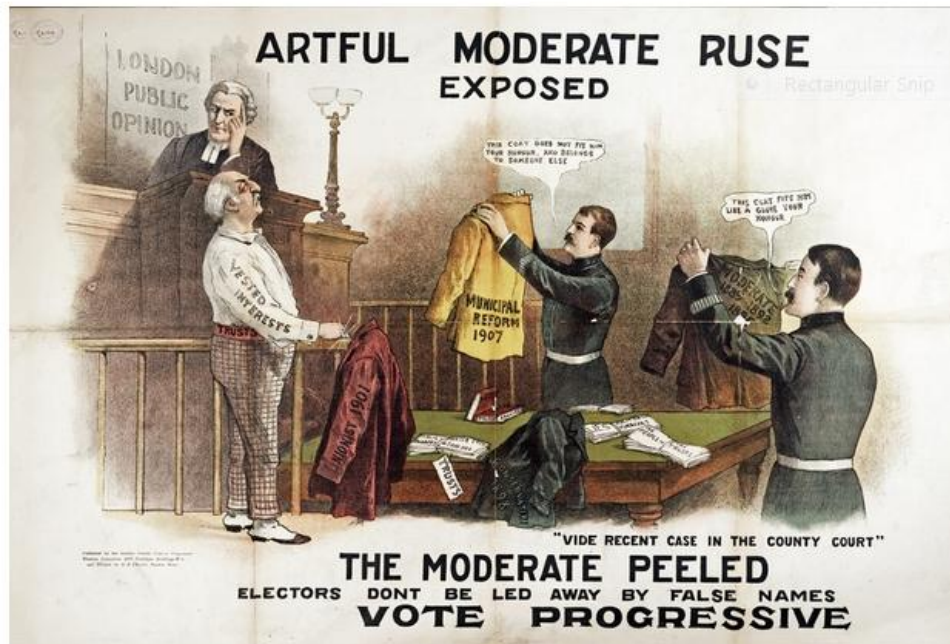


I'm an
archivist, not
a repository
manager!

LSE's Digital Library

- Born-digital items, digitisation projects, e-theses, public lectures
- From the Library, the School, and beyond
- Developed by representatives from across the Library

Artful Moderate Ruse Exposed



Description

Progressive Party poster from the London County Council Election of 1907

This poster shows a court scene with a judge seated in the top left of the picture with 'London Public Opinion' written behind him. Below him is a portly man with 'Vested Interests' written upon his sleeve. To the right around a table, stand two policemen each holding up a jacket, and more jackets lay upon the table. The more central of the two policemen is saying 'This coat does not fit him your honour, and belongs to someone else'. Upon the coat he is holding is written 'Municipal Reform 1907'. The other policeman declares, 'This coat fits him like a glove your honour'. He is holding a coat marked 'Moderate'.

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 - CRB
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 - DoH General
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1936-05-29 Daily Herald Cutting.pdf	26/05/2006 10:55	Adobe Acrobat Do...	298 KB
Apology to Eleanor Lynall by Ian Mayes in...	04/07/1999 10:36	TIF Image	125 KB
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BBC News ARCHIVE Transsexual Rights....	15/07/2002 09:18	MHTML Document	139 KB
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Bindel Artwork.jpg	01/02/2004 22:14	JPEG Image	194 KB
Blackpool Gazette - Sex Change Carer - 1...	18/10/2007 08:25	Adobe Acrobat Do...	65 KB
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Daily Mirror- Gay Talk Story.pdf	13/02/2006 17:55	Adobe Acrobat Do...	230 KB
Deborah Orr - Gender should be a matter...	16/04/2002 11:23	MHTML Document	88 KB
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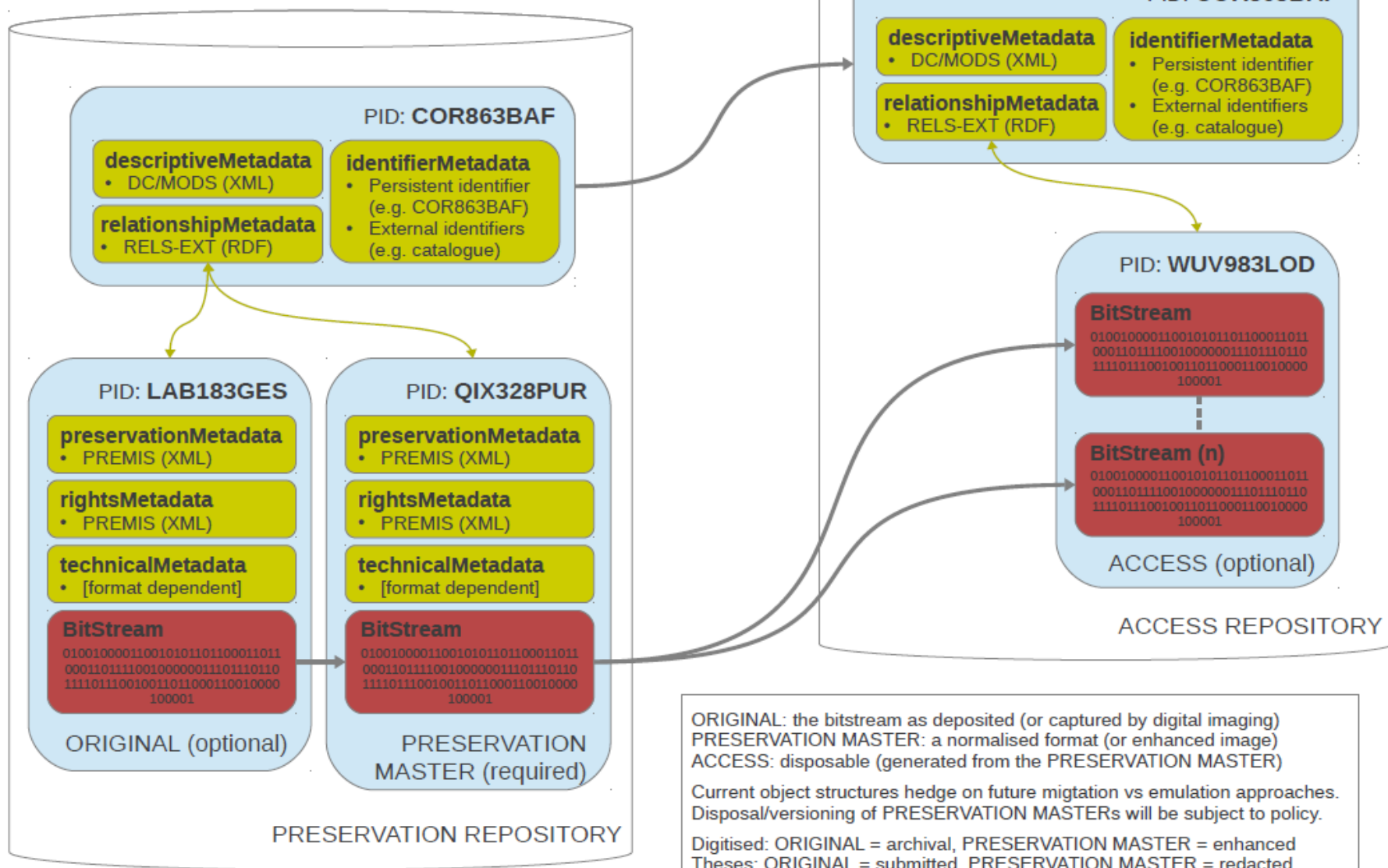
Reinventing the wheel?



PIDs to the rescue!

- Compliance with best practice
- Designing and using a schema delivers greater control over files
- They aid long term preservation by the fact that they do not change
- PIDs can be used to unify objects and metadata

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Preservation Object Structures
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What we needed

- PIDs that are:
 - Opaque (but not too opaque)
 - Long (but not too long)

“I didn’t get to where I am today by waffling”



Points In Discussion

- Practical in Discoverability: PID format, transparency and length
- Pinning it Down: What gets a PID and when
- Resolvers: ARK, DOI, Handle, URN, NOID and PURL.

Conclusions

- More complicated than you might think!
- Most important thing is persistence

And finally...

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