

nestor – the German approach to digital curation

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nestor is...

- the **N**etwork of **E**xpertise in long-term **STO**rage of digital **R**esources in Germany.
- a cooperative project of libraries, archives and museums and other interested parties
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nestor partners

- German National Library
- Bavarian State Library
- Göttingen State and University Library
- Humboldt-University Berlin
- FernUniversität Hagen
- Institut für Museumskunde
- Bundesarchiv / Federal Archive of Germany

Goals of nestor

- Establish a **cross-sectoral community** to promote and support long-term preservation activities
- Raise **awareness** in society
- Trigger **synergies** between on-going activities in Germany and cooperate with international partners and projects
- Establish a **permanent organisation** which coordinates and represents the concerns of long-term storage

nestor - tasks

- to make available expertise and information
- to support cooperation
- to present models of procedures and best practices
- to establish standards
- to raise awareness
- to prepare a sustainable future organization
- **Not** to set up an archive!

nestor working groups

- Currently about 30 institutions in 5 working groups:
 - WG Trusted Repositories
 - WG Media
 - WG Cooperative long-term preservation
 - WG Standardization
 - WG Grid, eScience and raw data

Activities of nestor

- **Training**

- nestor / DPE schools
- cooperation with educational institutions
- Curriculum development
- Development of eLearning modules
- nestor handbook / encyclopedia
- Seminars and Workshops

Activities of nestor

- **Information**
 - nestor subject gateway
 - News service
 - Newsletter
 - Calendar
 - Person-Database
 - ...

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Activities of nestor

- **Standardization**
 - Criteria for trusted digital repositories
 - Interoperability of persistent identifiers
 - Standardized delivery of electronic objects to the archive (Ingest)
 - Collaboration with DIN (German standardization body)

Activities of nestor

- **Research**

- Synergies between grid-technologies and long-term preservation
- Publication of a series of expert-reports
- Collaboration with other projects, e.g. SHAMAN, PARSE.insight, kopal etc.

Thank you for your kind attention!

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