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Digital Preservation for libraries

The project Digital Preservation for libraries Libraries (DP4lib) project is funded by the Deutsche Forschungsgemeinschaft (DFG). The goal of this project is to evaluate the feasibility of all options for establishing and running a ready-to-operate service for long-term preservation (LTP). In addition, the preceding conceptual work will be implemented in a piece of prototype software.

The starting point of all the work in this project is the requirement catalogue; this must be provided first. All requirements that are considered mandatory from the customer's point of view for service-based LTP must be included in this catalogue. All institutions listed in the far right column have been enlisted as external partners to support this work. The first version of the catalogue was finalised in summer 2010.

Following the requirement specification, a service portfolio for an LTP-system is to be developed which incorporates the results from the kopal project.

A further aim is to set up a business and cost model based on the developed prototype. The resources and funds required to set up and operate service-based LTP have to be determined for this.

Finally, the experiences gathered in this project will be integrated into a process model that can serve as a guideline for starting up service-based LTP.

Objectives:

- Compiling a catalogue of requirements for long-term preservation, as specified by customers.
- Evaluation of software tools for generating technical metadata.
- Development of a business and a cost model for LTP.
- Evaluation of tools for conversion and normalisation.
- Preservation planning support for all customers
- Creation of a process model for launching LTP.

External Partners:

- Bibliotheksservice-Zentrum Baden-Württemberg (BSZ)
- Deutsches Institut für Internationale Pädagogische Forschung (DIPF)
- Verbundzentrale des Gemeinsamen Bibliotheksverbundes (VZG)
- Sächsische Landesbibliothek-, Staats- und Universitätsbibliothek Dresden (SLUB)
- Technische Informationsbibliothek (TIB)
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