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ABOUT KARIN
Karin is the metadata strategist at the municipality organisation Sydarkivera. She currently serves as the chair of PREMIS EC and the DILCIS Board, co-chair of TS EAS, as well as a member of the METS Board. Since 2018 she has been responsible for the E-ARK specifications.

ABOUT SYDARKIVERA
Kommunalförbundet Sydarkivera is a local federation comprising 36 members in Sweden. The association’s mission is to perform archiving assignments, manage a joint archive system, and act as a common archive authority for its members.

LOCATION
Alvesta (Sweden)

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WHAT MOTIVATED SYDARKIVERA TO JOIN THE OPF?
Since its creation as a result of the Planets project, the OPF has been an important player in providing valuable information and insights to the digital preservation community. As the preservation agency for our members, we have as a goal to be active members of the digital preservation community to make sure we serve as the best provider of digital preservation. We always seek to both extend and deepen our collaboration with preservation initiatives in Europe and beyond to become the best providers for our members. Being part of the OPF broadens our capability to learn from the best in the preservation community.

HOW DOES OPF BEST SERVE THE DIGITAL PRESERVATION COMMUNITY?
The main contribution from OPF to the digital preservation community is gathering members and providing space for us to work together on shared problems in a friendly and encouraging setting! It is crucial to support organisations like OPF so they can guide both small and large members in the field of digital preservation!

HOW DOES OPF BEST HELP YOU AND YOUR COLLEAGUES ADDRESS YOUR PRIORITIES?
Being able to participate in specialist member groups is valuable in helping us to make recommendations to our members. OPF’s work in maintaining important tools like veraPDF and JHOVE, which are critical for working with file validation, needs to carry on. Being able to see instruction videos and participate in webinars and Hackatons is a big support in understanding the tools and giving inspiration to our staff who work with them.