

Open Preservation Foundation

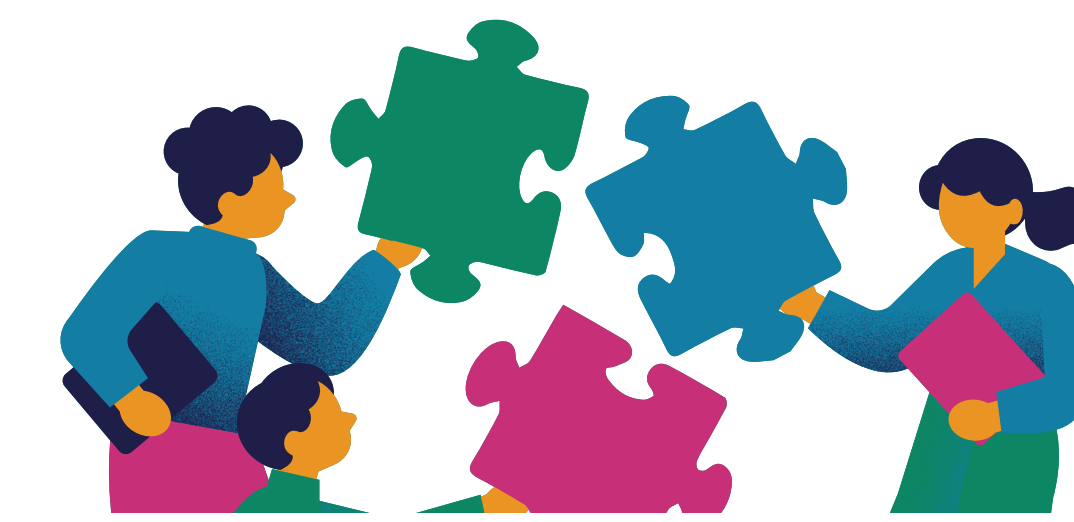


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The OPF is a global not-for-profit membership organisation. We develop and maintain open source digital preservation software and supporting resources to provide long-term solutions to #digipres problems.

WHO ARE WE?

The OPF was established in 2010 to sustain the outcomes of an EU-funded research and development project called Planets. As a not-for-profit foundation, we rely on membership fees and donations to develop our reference toolset and offer a diverse programme of activities to support your work.



We are an independent organisation for the open source community. We have established a number of successful partnerships with organisations that share our values and objectives. Whether providing coordination or technical leadership, offering solutions for sustainability, or building open source communities through our engagement and outreach activities, we participate in projects representing the cutting edge of the digital preservation landscape.

Our recent participatory efforts include:

- The E-ARK project is working with the Connecting Europe Facility (CEF) to develop the eArchiving Building Block.
- The Preservation Action Registries (PAR) is a collaborative project working to share good practice across disparate digital preservation systems using common syntax and protocols.
- We have worked with the Dutch Digital heritage Network DDHN to develop a Virtual Research Environment (VRE) with preservation tools. called ViPER.
- We are currently working on an Excel spreadsheet validator.



By joining us, you are backing our efforts to develop open standards and software, and taking your place within a community that is committed to ensuring our global digital legacy. Every member strengthens the Foundation's impact. Keep reading to see why you should join us today.

WELCOME TO OUR DIGITAL PRESERVATION COMMUNITY!

In an era defined by technological reliance and evolution and the exponential growth of digital content, the preservation of our digital assets is more important than ever.

Please allow us to introduce you to our membership program dedicated to the preservation and safeguarding of valuable digital assets – a community committed to securing the legacy of our digital world for generations.

Why Digital Preservation Matters

The fragility of digital data poses significant challenges. Format obsolescence, technological decay, and the rapid pace of change threaten the longevity of this information, risking its loss for future understanding and appreciation.

Our Commitment to Preservation

As an organisation dedicated to open source digital preservation, we understand the urgency and importance of addressing these challenges. We stand at the forefront of a global effort to develop strategies, share knowledge, and implement best practices to ensure the continued accessibility, integrity, and usability of digital assets.

Your Role in Preserving Our Digital Legacy

As part of the digital preservation community, you'll be actively participating in the preservation of our collective digital assets. Your support and involvement contribute to the creation of a sustainable ecosystem where digital content remains accessible, discoverable, and usable for future generations.

We work for you!

By joining the OPF, you have the opportunity to have your say on what we do and how we can support your digital preservation priorities.

Together, let's embark on a journey to safeguard our digital legacy. Join our membership program and be an integral part of a global movement committed to preserving and celebrating the richness of our digital heritage.

WHY SHOULD YOU BECOME A MEMBER?

By becoming a member of the Open Preservation Foundation, you join a network of individuals and organisations passionate about protecting our digital legacy. Here are some exclusive benefits our members enjoy:

- Connect and **network** with like-minded professionals, researchers, archivists, librarians, and individuals across diverse sectors interested in preserving digital information.
- Get **tech support** through our tech clinics, web demonstrators and consultations.
- We run a 'Comms Clinic' to **assist you with non-technical support**, like preparing and reviewing your reports and presentations.
- Gain **insights** from experts in the field, access resources, and participate in workshops and training sessions focused on digital preservation strategies.
- Receive **guidance and support** in navigating the complexities of preserving digital assets, including best practices, standards, and technological advancements.
- **Work and learn collaboratively** through the range of services and activities we facilitate.
- **Bridging the gap** between technical providers and users; the OPF can help facilitate conversations.
- By attending our Annual General Meeting, joining our Board of Directors, and participating in our Advisory Group, you can share your **insights** and learn from **others' expertise** to support your digital preservation priorities.
- **Be at the forefront of digital preservation**; our members are invited to consult on progress throughout the lifetime of a project and participate in shared solutions.

You can find more details in our benefits section or read more about our work in our strategy and highlights report.

HOW TO JOIN

We offer four different membership options, each one providing varying levels of support and different opportunities to get involved.

Bronze < £10m*	Silver £10m – £50m*	Gold >£50m*
£2,500 per year	£5,000 per year	£10,000 per year

* Recommended level of membership based on your organisation's annual operating budget.

Technical contributors

Our technical contributor members help support our work, providing time and resources in lieu of a membership fee. This can be providing development effort for our reference toolset, supporting new product development, and hosting workshops on open source tools that are used by our members.

Multi-year discount

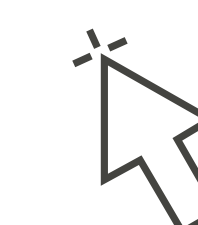
We offer a discount for multi-year membership applications: 5% discount for a two-year commitment and a 10% discount for a three-year commitment.

Donations to our work are always welcome, and accepted in multiple currencies on our website.

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