

Ten years ago, the Planets project deposited a TimeCapsule at the high-security data storage vault, Swiss Fort Knox.

The TimeCapsule contains a set of at-risk digital objects including a PDF brochure, some JAVA code, the PLANETS homepage in HTML, a JPEG photograph and a short mov video. The objects are stored on a range of physical media from paper to blue ray.



The TimeCapsule highlights the continual threats facing digital content and the impacts of time and technological advancement on our ability to access it.



Each digital object has been converted into an accessible format (e.g. PDF to PDF/A, JPEG to JPEG2000 and MOV to MPEG4, java to XML) to showcase the importance of digital preservation.

An online version of the TimeCapsule was made available for future researchers to investigate and experiment with the items
www.ifs.tuwien.ac.at/dp/timecapsule/