Here's why our latest members have joined the DPC:

Julia Barrett
University College Dublin

"We see our DPC membership as a resource for the continuing development of our digital and data collections and services, and feel that being part of the DPC will ensure that we develop best practice in this fast changing area."

Claire Tunstall
Unilever

"Joining the DPC will allow us to think strategically and extend our purpose of preserving and conserving the archives of Unilever, including born digital materials. We hope that by connecting with other DPC members, their expertise will help us to take active steps to prevent the creation of a digital black hole within our archive."

Glenn Cumiskey
The British Museum

"The Museum views the sustainable management of its digital assets as an organisational priority in attaining our larger goal of being a museum of the world for the world. We view membership of the DPC as an essential step in facilitating the capacity building necessary to enable our vision."

Kara Jones
University of Bath

"One of the core activities of the Library is to provide advice, advocacy, expertise and skills training in accessing and using the available information resources, which in many cases is digital. By joining the DPC, we can benefit from shared knowledge from other members within similar Institutions to help us meet the ongoing needs of all our library users."

Alex Hodge
Grosvenor Estate

"We are constantly upgrading technology and searching for practical solutions to manage and preserve our digital information long term and through the DPC we hope to find new ways to make digital preservation in the future a reality."

John McDonough
National Archives of Ireland

"Joining the DPC will enable the National Archives to address matters such as the capture, curation and preservation of the public record which is increasingly generated in electronic format. The National Archives will be able to leverage experience, technical knowledge and policy development from amongst the members of the DPC. Membership of the DPC will ensure the National Archives is better placed to meet the significant challenges it faces in this area."

How to join

To download an application pack, visit the DPC website:
www.dpconline.org

or to start a conversation about joining, email us at:
info@dpconline.org

There are two routes to participation in the DPC's activities:

- **Full Membership:** extended access to the Coalition and its staff and outputs as well as the opportunity to target the Coalition's expertise on specific thematic areas.

- **Associate Membership:** priority access to events, programmes and publications and the opportunity to develop innovative cross-sector partnerships.

Membership Features	Full Member	Associate Member
Dedicated support from DPC subject specialists (max 5 days per annum)	✔	✘
Attendance at cross-sector networking events	✔	By invitation
Preferential access to staff for informal advice	✔	✘
Consulted on advocacy activities	Always	Ad hoc
Establish cross-sector task forces	✔	✘
Commission events and publications	✔	✘
Set strategy and approve work plan	✔	✘
Set budgets and subscription rates	✔	✘
Access to hosted meetings on DPC web conference platform	✔	✘
Access to specialist projects and initiatives	Priority	As available
Attendance at thematic briefing days	5 places	1 place
Priority access to publications	✔	✔
Priority access to live invitational webinars	✔	✔
Online access to recorded webinars	✔	✔
Attendance at Annual General Meeting	Voting	Voting
Support in procurement of specialist services	✔	✔
Recruitment support	✔	✔
Invitation to annual unconference day: 'Connecting the Bits'	✔	✔
Eligible for grants from Leadership Programme	✔	✔
Participation in cross-sector task forces	✔	✔
Joint applications to funding bodies	✔	✔
Access to expertise of the Coalition and its members	✔	✔

Join us – the DPC is for everyone

The greatest strength of the DPC is our breadth of membership. Each of our members collects, creates or commissions digital content: each has to ensure a digital legacy which extends and transmits opportunities for access and manipulation of data.

Our members span many sectors and agencies across the world. They include national and international memory institutions, higher education institutions, broadcasters, strategic investors and funding bodies, banks, professional bodies, industry regulators and manufacturers. We welcome applications from organisations of any kind provided they share our vision and principles.

Membership organisations

We welcome applications from societies, memberships and consortia by special arrangement. Please get in touch to find out the best way for your members to access DPC benefits.

Students and institutions teaching archiving, librarianship, records management and related subjects

The DPC recognises the strategic importance in developing our student body, supporting those institutions that teach information sciences, and we recognise that the needs of students and their institutions are distinctive. We offer student travel grants to attend and support DPC meetings and students may access DPC benefits through their member institutions.

Solution providers and other vendors

The DPC is a 'vendor neutral' organisation. We also recognise that businesses need digital preservation advice now more than ever to maintain access to business-critical digital resources and to protect valuable intellectual property.

The DPC is keen to help our members procure digital preservation services and we want the market for such services to mature through informed dialogue and mutual understanding. So we're developing ways to improve our engagement with software and storage vendors. Please get in touch to find out how vendors can support and get involved with the DPC.

Discounted fees

Organisations that commit to a three-year subscription are entitled to a 10 percent reduction in their annual fee. They may choose to pay in one lump sum or in three annual instalments.

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Delivering benefits

What does the DPC do?

Our strategic objectives are to support members in:

- Developing advocacy for digital preservation by engaging with public policy development, helping embed policy and regulations, and celebrating good practice at our biennial awards ceremony.

- Workforce and capacity building through training, thematic events, knowledge exchange and scholarships.

- Developing assurance and practice through specialist advice, working towards standards and accreditation and undertaking research.

- Enabling partnerships and sustainability by facilitating enduring relationships within and outside the coalition.

What are the benefits of membership?

Members derive direct benefits from:

- Specialist advice on any area of digital preservation.

- Privileged access to the world-class expertise and services of the Coalition and its members, enabling knowledge exchange between organisations with similar challenges.

- Shared and credible advocacy for digital preservation through the creation of a unified voice, covering all organisations and sectors.

- Attendance and priority registration at DPC thematic and networking events which are free of charge or heavily discounted for members.

- Priority access to reports and papers with the ability to annotate and share your comments online.

- Guiding the expertise of the Coalition to complement strategic aims.

- Initiating strategically important research.

- Shared tool and policy development.

- Joint applications to funding agencies.

- Participation in community wide specialist projects and initiatives, enabling access to state of the art thinking and practice.

Our values

In everything we do, the DPC:

- Operates as a neutral body.

- Embraces a consultative, innovative and open approach.

- Engages in a collaborative manner with all stakeholders to comprehend and respond to their needs.

- Maintains sound stewardship of the Coalition's resources.

- Shares best practice and knowledge transfer with our members to support their local priorities.

- Maintains vendor neutrality.

- Supports development of standards and generic approaches to digital preservation.

Indicative programme for 2016 – 2017

The DPC offers a programme of thematic events and specialist publications throughout the year. Members get priority access to events and publications to help with procuring services, writing up research or drafting policies. The publication programme is overseen by full members who commission research tied directly to their strategic needs and made available on the DPC website.

Publications	
Technology Watch Reports and Handbook	
Preserving PDF	Autumn 2016
Preserving Databases	2017
JPEG2000	2017
Preserving Email	2017
Newsletters and Informal Reports	
Blog Posts	Throughout the year
Conference Reports	Throughout the year
Case Notes	Throughout the year

Task Forces and working parties provide independently moderated spaces in which members can discuss, debate and resolve issues on targeted topics in an informal and confidential way. These groups are open only to members.

Working Parties and Task Forces	
Name	**Type**
Value of Data*	Invitational think tank
Web Archiving & Preservation Task Force	Policy & skills development forum
Bedern Group	Historic Environment Data
Princes Street Group	Network of National Institutions
Editorial Board	Technology Watch Reports

*New for 2016-2017

The Leadership Programme provides scholarships for members to undertake training and personal development opportunities. These scholarships are offered through regular calls for applications, but members are also welcome to nominate relevant opportunities by contacting the Head of Training and Skills. Some of the scholarships planned for 2016-2017 are:

Leadership Programme
Digital Preservation Training Programme Online
DPTP One Day Courses – incl. Digitisation and Web Archiving 101
Digital Preservation distance learning module from Aberystwyth University
Places at relevant Digital Preservation Conferences

Specialist events

Members get priority registration for events either free-of-charge or with a large subsidy. Non-members are also welcome but only after members have registered and only if additional sponsorship is available. The programme is approved and overseen by full members who commission thematic events to support their own needs.

Specialist Events		
Name	**Type/Location**	**Date**
Making Progress in Digital Preservation	Roadshow: Dublin, London, Edinburgh	October 2016
Preserving 3D Objects	Conference: London	3-4 November 2016
DPC/PERICLES Conference	Conference: London	30 November – 2 December 2016
Getting Started in Digital Preservation	Roadshow: Aberystwyth	December 2016
What I Wish I Knew...	Student Conference: London	January 2017
Procuring Preservation	Briefing Day: Edinburgh	February 2017
Getting Started in Digital Preservation	Roadshow: London, Newcastle, Glasgow	April – May 2017
Connecting the Bits	Member Unconference and Networking Event: York	June 2017
Emulation	Briefing Day: York	June 2017
Getting Started in Digital Preservation	Roadshow: Manchester	June 2017
Preserving Email	Briefing Day: London	July 2017

Highlights from selected events will be broadcast online or recorded for members to view after the event.

Webinars	
'Technology Bytes III' – DPC members and invited guests share the latest in digital preservation innovation.	2pm Wednesdays, September – December 2016
'True Confessions of a Digital Preservationist' – DPC members share and discuss latest challenges and solutions.	2pm Wednesdays, January – March 2017
'Workflow webinars' – DPC members share their workflows for the digital lifecycle.	2pm Wednesdays, April – July 2017

DPC members are invited to visit the *'Members' Lounge'*, a regular hour long drop-in session to discuss anything and everything relating to digital preservation.

Members are welcome to use the DPC web-conferencing facility for their own use by prior arrangement.

Here's what people said about some of our events:

What I wish I knew…

"Having panel members from various types of jobs and career backgrounds gave a realistic and diverse look to digital preservation."

"Stopped it seeming too strange & frightening"

"An incredible choice of speakers - real diversity of perspectives and personalities which made for a dynamic day. Nice to know presentations will be accessible online so I could focus on listening rather than making notes. Good pace and logistics of the day."

"Day ran very smoothly. Great variety of speakers (who really knew their stuff!) from a range of institutions."

Re: Format
Briefing Day, June 2016

"Managed to bring together an excellent variety of speakers, who were able to deliver excellent guidance and case studies to such a diverse audience."

Getting Started in Digital Preservation
Dublin, May 2016

"A lot of very useful info thoughtfully set out, and very approachable and knowledgeable presenters open to questions. Plenty of chances to talk to other delegates."

Preserving Social Media
November 2015

"Good opportunities for discussion, very thought-provoking talks."

"Good overview of the topic. Impressed by the range of speakers."

"Excellent event all round - plenty of time to discuss and share experiences with colleagues from other institutions."

Highlights for 2016-2017

The 2016 Digital Preservation Awards

The Digital Preservation Coalition has returned to its quest to find and celebrate the very best work in digital preservation across all sectors, with the launch of the 2016 Digital Preservation Awards.

The prestigious Digital Preservation Awards is the most prominent celebration of achievement for those people and organisations who have made significant and innovative contributions to maintaining a digital legacy, and will culminate in a glittering awards ceremony at the Wellcome Trust in London on Wednesday 30th November 2016.