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Sharing the effort... a personal view on D3.4

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What is APARSEN?

- A **Network of Excellence** in digital preservation
- Funded by European Commission
 - 7th Framework Programme — Digital Libraries and Digital Preservation
- January 2011 to December 2014 (4 years)
- Coordinated by Science and Technology Facilities Council (UK)
- **31 renowned partners from 13 countries** (10 EU countries + Israel, Russia, Switzerland)



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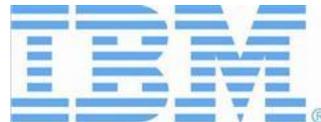
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active for nearly
10 years in RTD in
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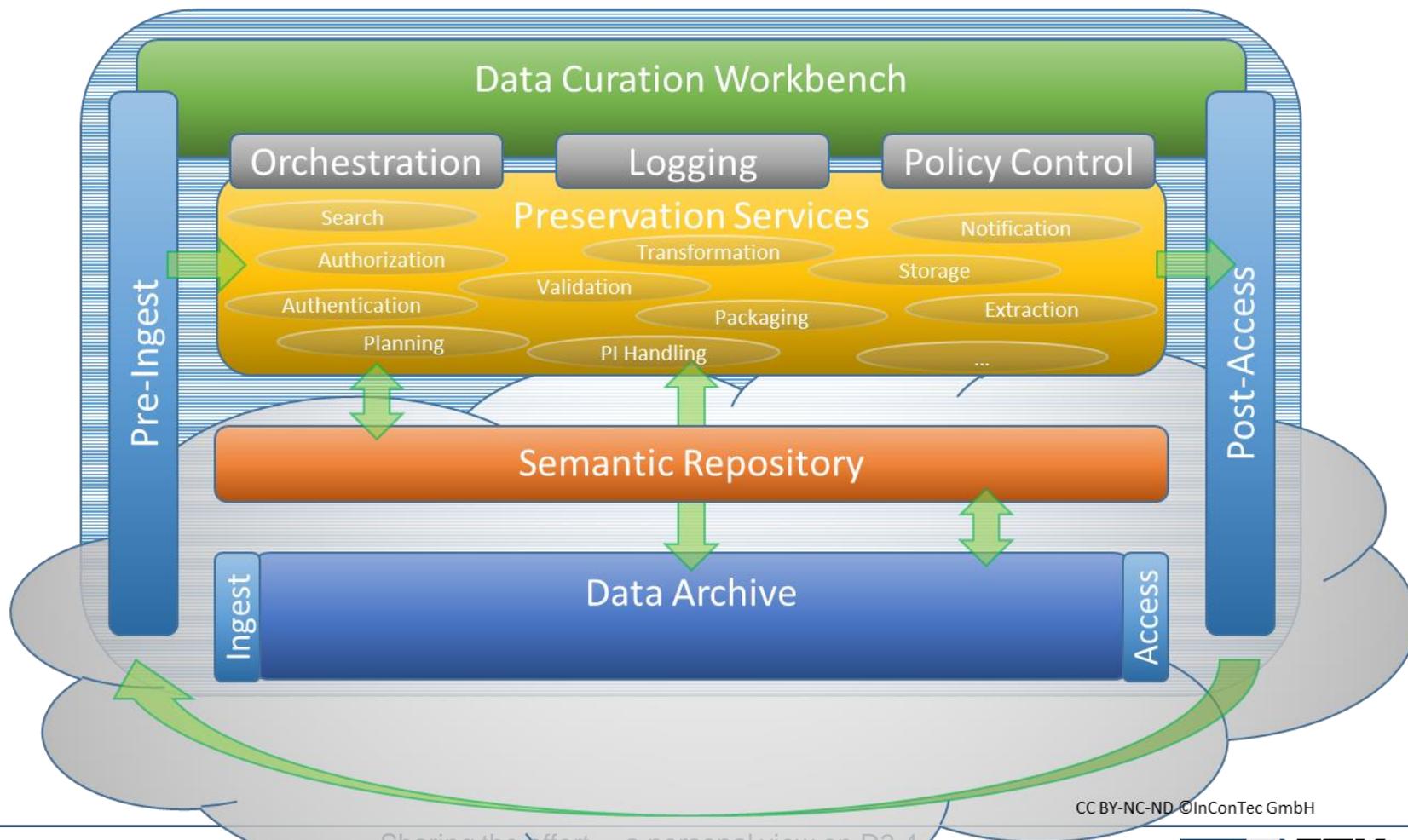
Personal Background

DigitalPreservationEurope, nestor, PARSE.Insight, SHAMAN, EMTO, EFG, SCIDIP-ES... and APARSEN ... + SMART VORTEX, CAPP-4-SMEs

- Information system perspective on Digital Preservation
 - Service orchestration, virtualization of resources... policy management and enforcement
 - Enterprise architecture

- Focus on application of semantic technologies
 - Long-term semantic interoperability
 - Open standards, models, and protocols

Long-term Semantic Interoperability Environment



APARSEN Common Vision

• APARSEN topic areas

- **Trust** (Authenticity, Provenance, Data quality, Audit and certification, Appraisal/selection criteria, ...)
- **Sustainability** (Brokerage services, Business cases, Cost/benefit analyses, Storage solutions, Transfer of custody, Risk management/threats, Processes, ...)
- **Usability** (File formats, Context/semantics, Intelligibility, Interoperability, Common tools, Preservation planning, Infrastructure, ...)
- **Access** (Persistent identifiers, Policies and governance, IPR/access rights, Finding aids/metadata, ...)

• Roadmap components

- Harmonization of data storage and preservation
- Improved interoperability
- Establishment of conditions for cross-sector integration
- Governance models for infrastructure integration



Initial Impressions

- Condensed version very helpful
- Areas non-orthogonal
- Communities: digital cultural heritage, e-science (Arts and Humanities?)
- Stakeholder types addressed?
- Working practices and community consultations?
- Methodology for eliciting gaps?
- Refinement procedure for roadmap?

Harmonization of data storage and preservation

- Bit-stream preservation “under control”
- High-level preservation policies vs. SLAs?
- Embed preservation functions in (existing) VREs?
- Authentication, authorization, ... and accounting?
- Procedure for consolidation of requirements?

Improved interoperability

- Pragmatic focus on technical, semantic aspects
- Addressing change, evolution?
- Agreement on community-specific terminology realistic?
- Role of (open) standards, coverage, adoption (D3.2?)?
- ...

Establishment of conditions for cross-sector integration

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- Focus on grid, cloud computing?
- Level of adoption in target communities?
- Alignment of registry of preservation tools and services with similar initiatives (APARSEN, COPTR, ...)
- “Digital preservation requirements” defined by OAIS?

Governance models for infrastructure integration

- Alignment with similar initiatives related to business models, cost models (APARSEN, 4C, ...)
- Framework based on Enterprise Architecture models (TOGAF, Zachman, ...)?
- Trust based on evidence, not restricted to repository level
- Digital object/data lifecycles, OAIS environment?
- Role of (legal) mandates, constraints?

Conclusions

Interoperability with the future

- Sharing efforts... federated infrastructure
- Acknowledge legacy... add preservation functions
- Looking beyond archive borders... lifecycle management
- Trust is evidence-based... Proof-of-Concepts
- Sustainability... requires funding *“Who pays and why...?”*

Grand challenges located at governance/policy level!

Next steps towards final roadmap??



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