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## INTERPARES

A member of the DAVID staff was in Vancouver from 10 to 16 February 2002 for the start of the InterPARES 2 project.

The first phase of the InterPARES project came to an end on 31 December 2001. This project focussed on the conditions necessary for authenticity for static archive documents generated within governmental databank environments and document management systems. The results of the project will be officially presented in Washington in June 2002. The final reports of the four taskforces will then be published in one volume, available from the summer.

In the meantime the next stage of the project - InterPARES 2 - has been given the go-ahead. This second stage started on 1 January 2002 and will run until 31 December 2006. InterPARES 2 is concerned with dynamic and interactive documents generated by the government in the arts and in the sciences. Each focus comprises three research areas: 1. records creation & maintenance, 2. authenticity, accuracy & reliability, 3. appraisal & preservation.

During the first InterPARES 2 workshop, the research issues were refined and the methodology and planned approach established. The DAVID researchers will link up with the work groups dealing with government archives, where the emphasis is on e-government.

## DLM FORUM

In May 2002 the DLM Forum, a biannual multidisciplinary congress on the storage, preservation and accessibility of electronic information, organized by the European Commission, is again taking place in Barcelona. Within the framework of DLM, DAVID is currently preparing a paper about the role of the digital signature for electronic archives. This paper will soon be available for consultation on the DAVID website.

## **STANDARDS FOR DIGITAL ARCHIVE DOCUMENTS**

Changes and additions have been made to the summary of standards for digital archive documents. Standards for bitmap and vector representations (TIFF, JPEG, GIF, PNG, BMP, FlashPix, ImagePac, EPS) have been added. The recent DVD standard was included in the data media. The standards for textual documents were also added to.

## **WEBSITE**

The following reports were recently put on the website:

- \* F. BOUDREZ and S. VAN DEN EYNDE, *Archiving e-mails*, Antwerp-Leuven, 2002.
- \* F. BOUDREZ, *From backup to archived website. The archiving of the first versions of the Digitale Metropool Antwerpen*, Antwerp, 2002, 6 pp.
- \* *Digital Archive: Guidelines for the administration*
  - *Preserving e-mails off line*
  - *Durable CDs*
  - *Folder structure and file names for digital documents*

Reports on the archiving of e-mails and the archiving of websites are currently being translated for the English-language site. The latter \_ the archiving of websites report - will be published in Dutch within the next few weeks.

## **NEWSLETTER**

Next Newsletter: end April 2002. All the previous newsletters can be consulted on the website.