

DLM Forum Triennial Meeting

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Workshop descriptions

Dates: 3–5 November 2026

Venue: [Aviva Stadium](#), Lansdowne Road, Ballsbridge, Dublin 4, D04 K5F9

Entrance: M (please see the Practical Information document for further details)

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One Command to Transcribe Them All: Production-Ready OCR and HTR for Historical Archives

Workshop leader: Anssi Jääskeläinen, Xamk, Finland

This hands-on workshop introduces the AI-powered OCR and Handwritten Text Recognition (HTR) tools developed within the ArchXAI project to make historical documents more accessible.

Participants will have the opportunity to install and test the tools on their own laptops using Docker. The solution supports the processing of both printed and handwritten historical documents, including HTR models for Finnish, Swedish, Estonian and Latvian.

Please note: Participants should bring their own laptops and be prepared to install and run the software. The tools will be presented in a pre-release version, offering participants an opportunity to test them before their planned release at the end of November 2026.

Hands-on with CloudViper

Workshop leaders: Neil Jefferies and Darren Dignam, Open Preservation Foundation

This hands-on workshop introduces CloudViper, a cloud-based digital preservation environment that provides easy access to a wide range of digital preservation tools without the need for local installation.

Participants will have the opportunity to explore CloudViper and try out tools such as JHOVE, veraPDF, Arlington validators and MediaInfo. The platform can be used for training, testing and running digital preservation workflows, with up-to-date tools readily available through a web browser.

Please note: Participants should bring their own laptops with an up-to-date web browser. No software installation is required.

Influencing Data Policies from the Perspective of Sustainable Accessibility

Workshop leader: Jasper Slob, National Archives of the Netherlands

How can archives influence government data policies to ensure the long-term accessibility of information?

This interactive workshop explores the experience of the National Archives of the Netherlands in contributing to government policies on data sharing, data quality and data management, ensuring that archival requirements and sustainable accessibility are taken into account.

Following a short introduction to the Dutch experience, participants will be invited to discuss the role of archives in shaping data policies, how they can contribute to policy development, and how this relates to the principles of Archiving by Design.

The workshop offers an opportunity to share experiences, exchange ideas and explore how archival professionals can strengthen their involvement in data policy development.

Archiving by Design – Using the Information Object Table in a Project Simulation

Workshop leader: Rens Ouwerkerk, Municipality of Utrecht, the Netherlands

Assisted by: István Alföldi, Jože Škofljanec and Ilona van der Linden

How can Archiving by Design be applied in real-life projects?

In this interactive workshop, participants will explore the practical use of the Information Object Table, a tool developed by the E-ARK Reference Architecture working group to support Archiving by Design.

Through a simulation of a realistic project environment, participants will gain hands-on experience in applying the Information Object Table, develop a better understanding of how Archiving by Design works in practice, and explore the challenges involved.

Please note: This workshop follows the presentation on the Information Object Table by István Alföldi. Participants are encouraged to attend the presentation beforehand.

Workshop on archiving by design - Get your AbD team going using our AbD user card deck

Workshop leaders: Sofia Särduquist, Swedish National Archives, and Kristine Ildron, National Archives of Norway

Where do you start when applying Archiving by Design (AbD) to a new system?

This workshop introduces the AbD Card Deck, a practical tool developed to help teams take their first steps in applying the Archiving by Design framework.

The card deck contains 20 standardised user profiles designed to bring the user perspective into the planning and development of new information systems. It can help teams prepare for an AbD assessment, identify relevant user needs and structure workshops and interviews during the system design process.

Participants will learn how the card deck can support the early stages of Archiving by Design and provide a practical starting point for discussions about information management and preservation requirements.