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# E-ARK Co-Ordinator Progress Report

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# Project Strategy

- Year 1: State of the art review / Scene setting; Creating general model; Best Practice Review; Knowledge Centre proof of concept; Engage stakeholders
- Year 2:
  - E-ARK SIP, AIP, DIP pilot versions (+ Common Specification)
  - First E-ARK Tools release
  - Knowledge Centre Services operational
  - Engage stakeholders – early users
- Year 3:
  - Pilots
  - Data Mining Showcase
  - Encouraging testing and take up of deployed tools
- Post-Project: Delivering Sustainable Services



# Milestones

Milestone number	Milestone name	Delivery month
MS01	Best practice overview	6
MS02	Knowledge Centre Service - Validated Proof of Concept Service	12
MS03	First version of E-ARK SIP, AIP and DIP specifications	15
MS04	First release of E-ARK tools	18
MS05	Knowledge Centre Service - Validated Operational Service	24 ✓
MS06	Pilot release of E-ARK formats and tools	27 ✓
MS07	Set up of pilots	27 ✓
MS08	Pilots concluded	33 ✓
MS09	Knowledge Centre Service - Validated Final Service	36
MS10	Final release of E-ARK formats and tools	36



# Deliverables

8.1.3	Annual Dissemination Strategy (Year3) (including updated Stakeholder Analysis and Exploitation Strategy)	26 ✓
2.3	Detailed pilot requirements	26 ✓
5.3	E-ARK DIP pilot specification (revision of D5.2)	27 ✓
2.4	Pilot documentation	33 ✓
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2.5	Recommended practices and final public report on pilots	36
3.4	Records export, transfer and ingest recommen and SIP Creation Tools	36
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# E-ARK mission

The E-ARK project goal is to **pilot** archival services to keep digital records authentic and usable based on current **best practices**. **These will address the three main endeavours of an archive: acquiring, preserving and enabling re-use of information**. The potential benefits for public agencies, citizens and business will be demonstrated by **providing easy and efficient access to the archived records**. Archival processes at a pan-European level will be **harmonized, supported by guidelines and recommended practices that will cater for a range of data from different types of source including record management systems and databases**. The E-ARK approach will be **public-facing, open source, robust, replicable and scalable, and will address a wide range of organisations, taking full account of legal constraints**.



# How have we done?

- What kind of impact have we really made?
- Were our initial assumptions correct?
- At the archive: Pilot impact evaluations;
- How do we evaluate the project results?
  - Outstanding?
  - Exceeds Expectations?



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# Assumptions

- Government support;
- Sharing brings economies of scale re. e.g. procurement;
- Pilots demonstrate project results;
- Project results bring business benefits;
- Possible re-use of public sector data (DSM);
- Businesses develop training.



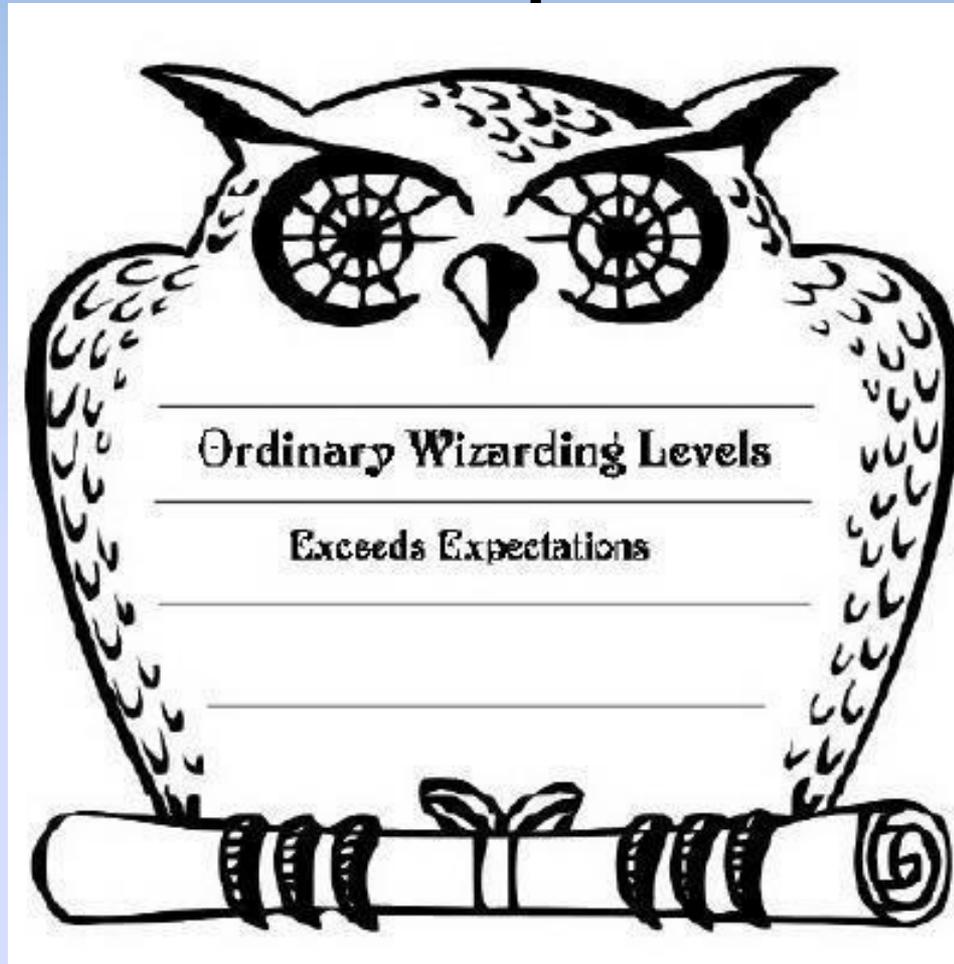
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# Exceeds Expectations?



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# Outstanding!

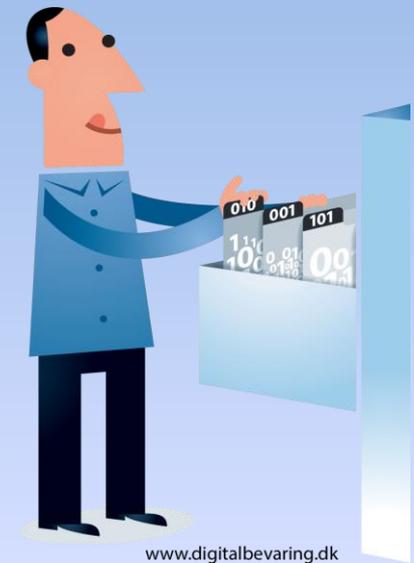
E.g.

- Common standards: Same SIP used in different archives; same SIP works with different tools;
- Tools improved, new tools developed;
- Range of O/S tools – real choice.



# Outstanding!

- Database preservation:
  - SIARD 2.0;
  - DBPTK;
- Real solutions to pressing problems – INSPIRE, EC Natura 2000 directive; geodata;
- Advanced search techniques (data mining showcase);
- New searching facilities etc. (full text);



# Outstanding!

- Commercial benefit;
- Unexpected take-up: NARA, Chile, EC Publications Office;
- Commitment to continue with / without funding.
- Benefits of archives working closely together.



# Lessons Learnt

- Go to each archive at beginning of project;
- Some things haven't quite worked as planned;
- Will reflect constructively and share thoughts in a lessons learnt report.



# Outreach in Year 3

- UNESCO PERSIST, Abu Dhabi March;
- ICA, Seoul, E-Gov conference, September
- E-GOV conference, Lisbon, September
- iPRES 2016, Bern, Switzerland
- DLM meetings,
- DPC / OPF webinars,
- Final Conference, Budapest



# E-ARK Year 4

- Establish E-ARK as „business as usual“
- Look for further funding opportunities
  - Messages towards H2020, CEF, ISA<sup>2</sup>
  - H2020 Big Data call early 2017
- Extend collaboration (additional national archives and e-gov agencies, software developers, academia)
- Continue doing what we really need for our business!





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