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Track: Digital Media: Content and Communication

Minitrack: Digital Libraries

Since the advent of high speed internet access and inexpensive storage, libraries around the world are building repositories of their books, papers, and other works which can be digitized or which were born digital. Repositories are growing rapidly in scope and number, for example, Project Gutenberg, Google Book Search, the Internet Archive, the World Digital Library, and many others. Topics for this minitrack include but are not limited to:

- Digital libraries development, architecture, and management
- Management of born digital and multimedia content
- Management of and conversion workflows for physical media
- Harvest and preservation of internet content
- Digital object storage and retrieval
- Multi-lingual and interoperability issues
- Copyrights and digital rights management
- Digital preservation and access management
- Digital library case studies
- Digital library standards and policies
- Open archive initiatives
- Role of digital libraries in educational, cultural, social and economic development

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