From Manifestation to Content
The selection policy of the National Library of the Netherlands

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The Dutch national library and its function in the digital era

Selection
  Economy and technology
  Manifestation and content
  Push and pull

Future trends?

Conclusions
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- Maintain a deposit library of Dutch publications
- Keep the publications accessible forever
Why change selection policy?

- Economy: fast increase of publications to be processed with more or less the same budget
- Technology: new opportunities, new problems
KB’s Digital Information and Archiving System
= a warehouse for digital publications
= embedded in KB’s existing digital library infrastructure
= developed by IBM for universal usage
= accommodates automatic mass loading and manual loading
Digital content is extracted from the medium or environment and transferred to the Digital Information and Archiving System

Test results processing of offline publications:

- Time-consuming
- 30 percent can’t be processed
- Security measures are not visible beforehand
Redesigning selection policy: considerations

- Highest priority: content
- The basis of any modern publication: intangible content
- No place for carriers in archiving system
- Storage of publications with technical security measures is impossible
- Uniformity in storage and maintenance: preferably no searching facilities
A higher level of selection

- Only one manifestation of a publication, preferably the (a) digital one
- Extend automatic processing to off-line publications
- Installables: storage of content and installation software
- Print only: one edition of every ISBN
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Automatic version and metadata management

- Lower level of bibliographic description
- Regular updates
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Push and pull

Web archiving = bibliographic description, storage and maintenance of web sites and web publications in order to keep them accessible forever

Push: active deposit by publishers

Pull: harvest from the internet
KB so far preferred the push model

- 80-20-rule
- No deep web
- The missing link
Pilot webarchiving

- Dutch grey literature
- Freely accessible foreign web publications related to Dutch history, language and culture
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Future trends?

 نيوز New transnational UBC-arrangements?
 نيوز Reinforcement of national libraries?
 نيوز New business models?
 نيوز Does nice-to-know-information go digital as well?
 نيوز New technological and metadata standards?
Conclusions

- Join forces
- Exchange knowledge and information
- Just do it!
From manifestation............
Infrastructure e-Deposit KB

Verklaring van de afkortingen
BER : Basic Error Recovery
DIAS : Digital Information Archiving System
EPO : Electronic Post Office
GGC : Catalogiseersysteem Pica
IAA : Identification, Authentication & Authorisation
KB-Titel: Overkoepelende Catalogus-database KB
NBN : Nationaal Bibliografie Nummer

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