



The InterPARES Project

International Research on Permanent
Authentic Records in Electronic Systems

BACKGROUND

InterPARES 1 (1999-2001)

- Inactive textual records
- Administrative and Legal
- 13 countries / 26 case studies

InterPARES 2 (2002-2006)

- Interactive, experiential and dynamic systems
- Arts, Sciences and e-Government
- 21 countries / 22 case studies

InterPARES 3 (2007-2012)

- Implementation & testing phase
- 14 national & multinational teams

APPLICATION

- Supports development of consistent and comprehensive preservation policies, strategies and standards
- Scalable to individuals, organizations and governments, and national and international standards bodies
- Applicable to all digital objects, including digital records

MAJOR FINDINGS & PRODUCTS

Theory

- Body of Concepts & Principles:
 - ✓ Reliability
 - ✓ Accuracy
 - ✓ Authenticity
 - ✓ Trusted Custodian
- Archival Diplomatics of Digital Records

Methodology

- Authenticity Requirements
- Template for Analysis
- Policy Framework
- Creator & Preserver Guidelines
- 2 Models:
 - ✓ Chain of Preservation Model
 - ✓ Business-Driven Recordkeeping Model
- Terminology Database
- Metadata and Archival Description Registry and Analysis System (MADRAS)

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