



1st International Workshop on Standards and Technologies in Multimedia Archives and Records (STAR)

26th - 27th April 2010, EPFL Lausanne, Switzerland

Call for participation

The ability to effectively manage and protect digital multimedia content in creation, collection, preservation, and dissemination is increasingly crucial as digital technology continues to produce vast amounts of valuable and irreplaceable knowledge and information. The amount of such digital multimedia information is already huge, but as we speak it is still growing at unbelievable speed and to gigantic amount of such information.

The big questions are: Can data generated yesterday be searchable and displayable by hardware and software today and in future? Will digital content created today be accessible and presentable throughout its lifecycle (i.e. also tomorrow)? How to deal with the large number and quite different incompatible multimedia archives? How to ensure some level of interoperability among them? What are the requirements for multimedia long term archival in general? What do we cover today in standards and what and where are the gaps?

To answer these questions (or at least some of them) the workshop aims to bring together archive professionals with technical experts working in the research, development and standardization in order to assist the alignment of user needs with the availability of technical solutions. The workshop will address with invited talks and panel discussions the following key topics:

- End user requirements on preservation methods and formats
- Digital archival projects - user expectations and experiences
- Technical frameworks and architectures for multimedia archives
- Trends in data modelling
- Progress in digital preservation methods and archival formats
- Interoperability issues and standardization efforts
- Ingest and access methods for cooperation of archives

The number of participants is limited to 200. Online-registration and the agenda are available at <http://mmspl.epfl.ch/page38962.html> . Registration will start February, 8th.

Hosts	Ecole Polytechnique Federale de Lausanne EPFL, Institute of Electrical Engineering IEL Multimedia Signal Processing Group MMSPG CH-1015 Lausanne, Switzerland	Ecma International Rue du Rhone 114 CH-1204 Geneva, Switzerland
Workshop Fee	CHF 100	
Meeting Location	EPFL- Salle Polyvalente, CH-1015 Lausanne, Switzerland	
Contact	Isabelle Walch, Ecma International, Phone: *41 (22) 849 6000, , Fax: *41 (22) 849 6001, E-mail: isabelle@ecma-international.org	

Further information, e.g. agenda updates, logistics, related events and news, can be found at the STAR Workshop web site <http://mmspl.epfl.ch/page38962.html>