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National Digital Information Infrastructure & Preservation Program:

# Intersectoral Cooperation in the U.S.

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# BACKGROUND

## NDIIPP MISSION

To ensure access over time to a rich body of digital content through the establishment of a national network of partners committed to selecting, collecting and preserving at-risk digital information

## WE ARE

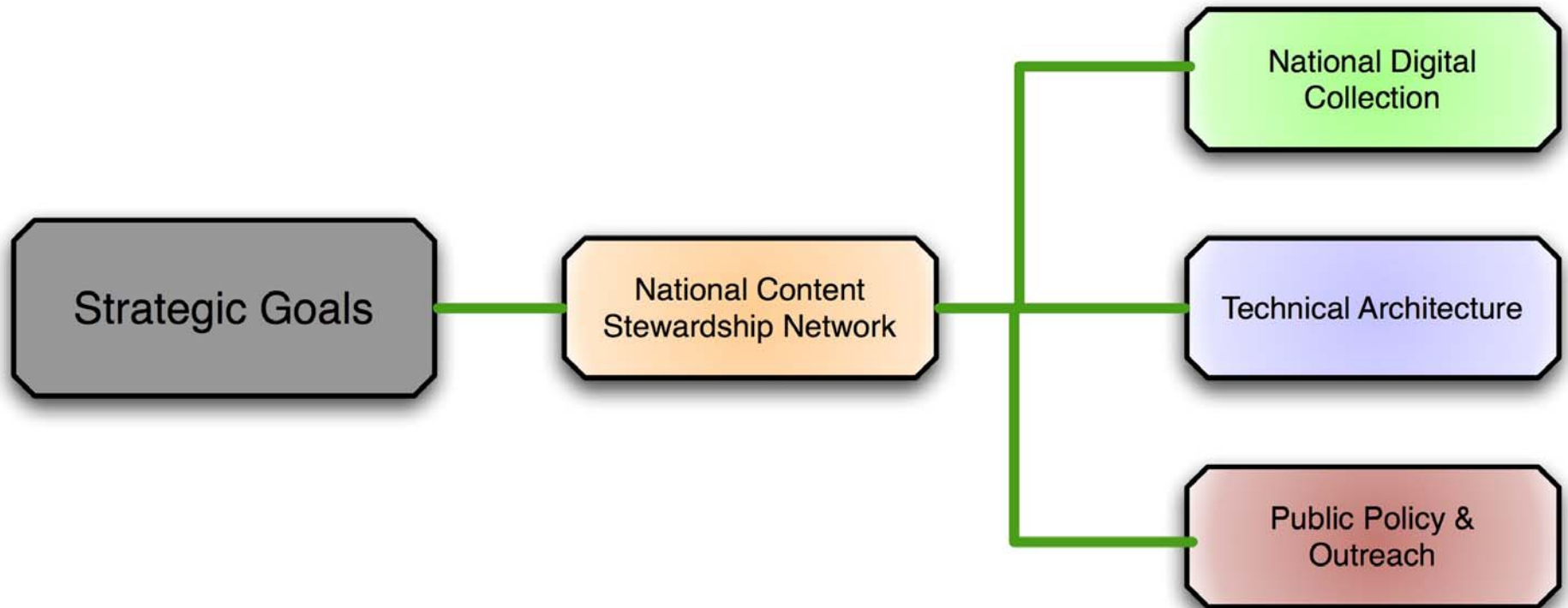
- A Network of People
- An Architecture for Preservation
- Working for Sustainable Access to Digital Content

## OUR MOTTO

Learn by doing

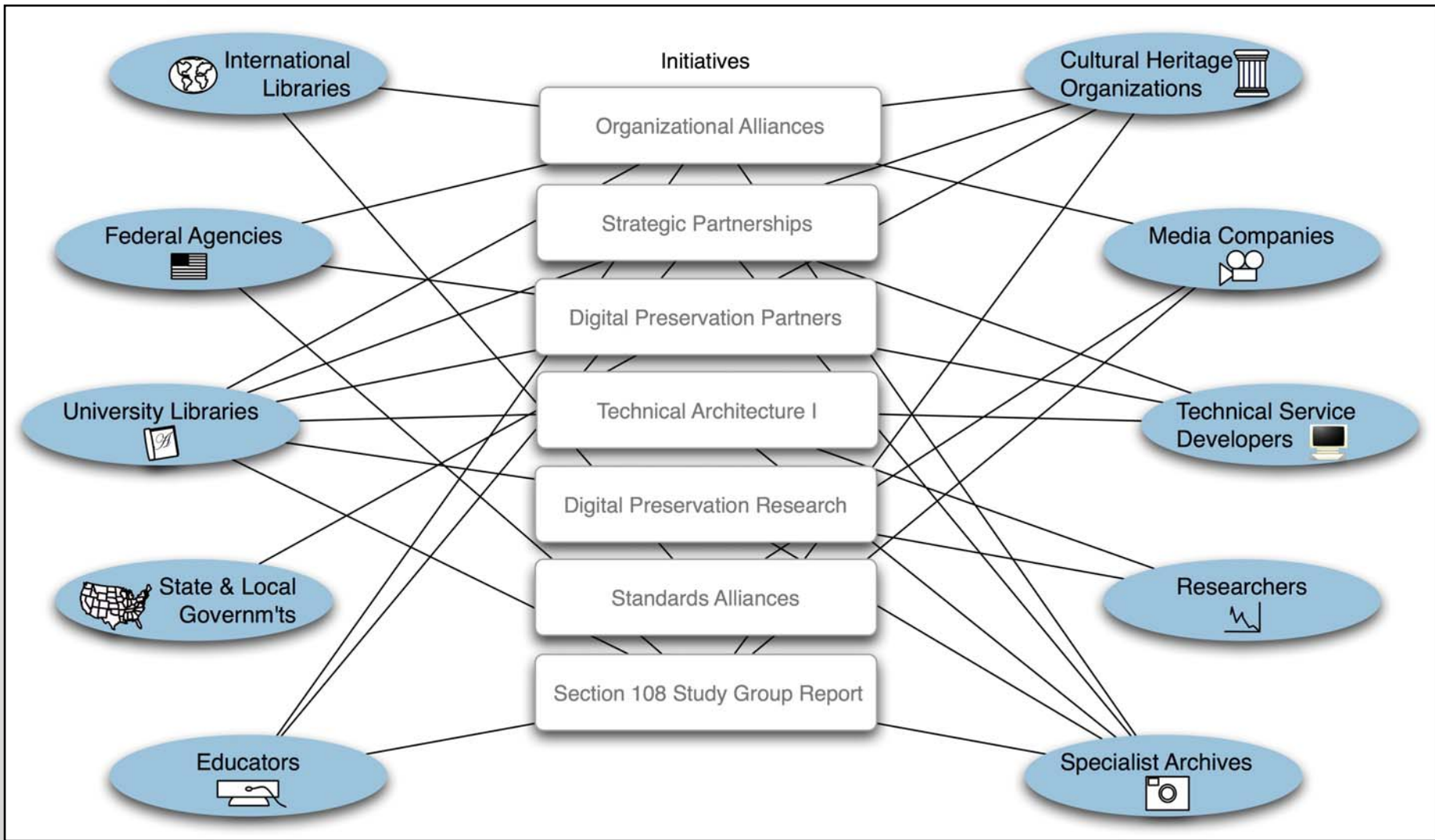


# NDIIPP DIGITAL PRESERVATION STRATEGY





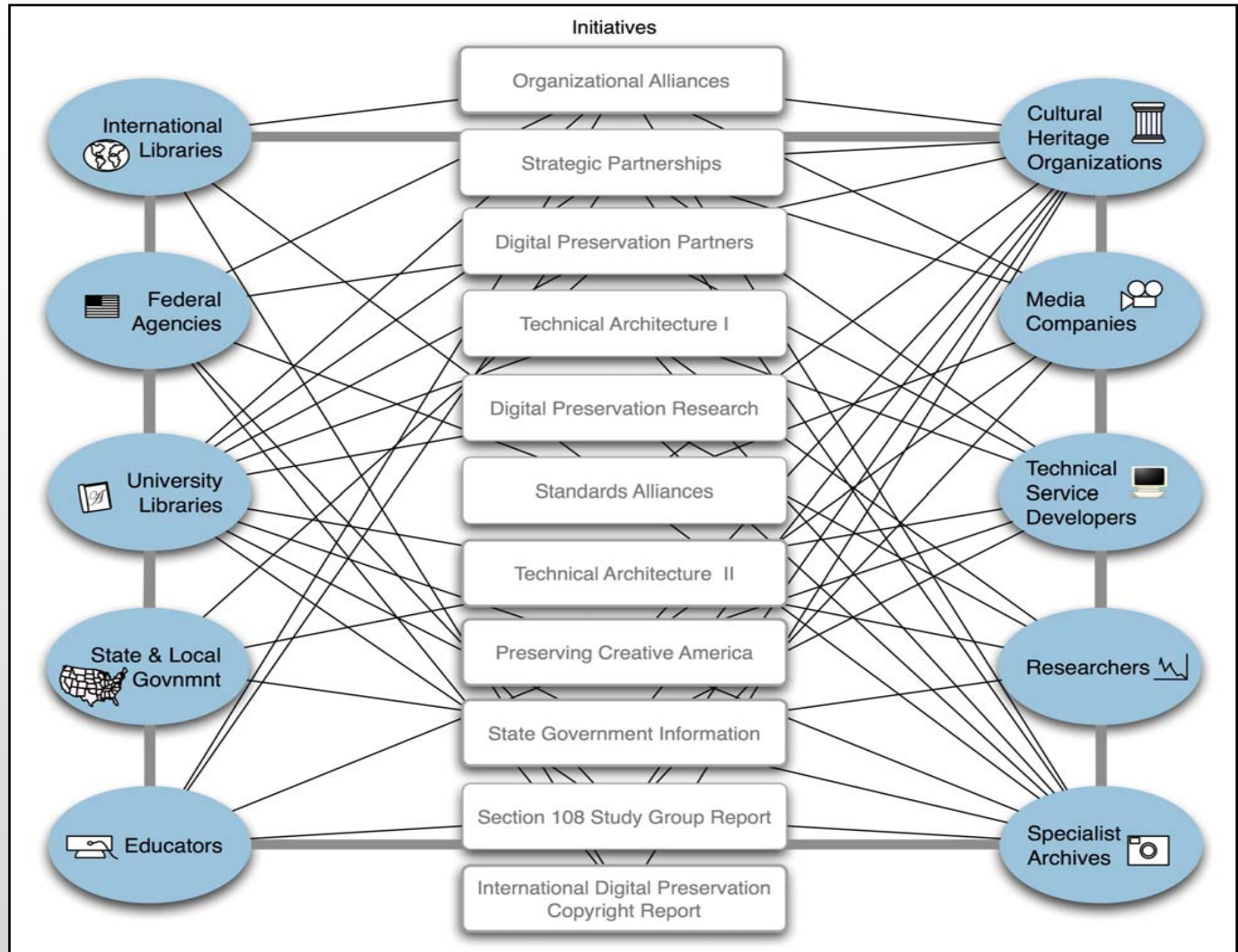
# Intersectoral Engagement 2004





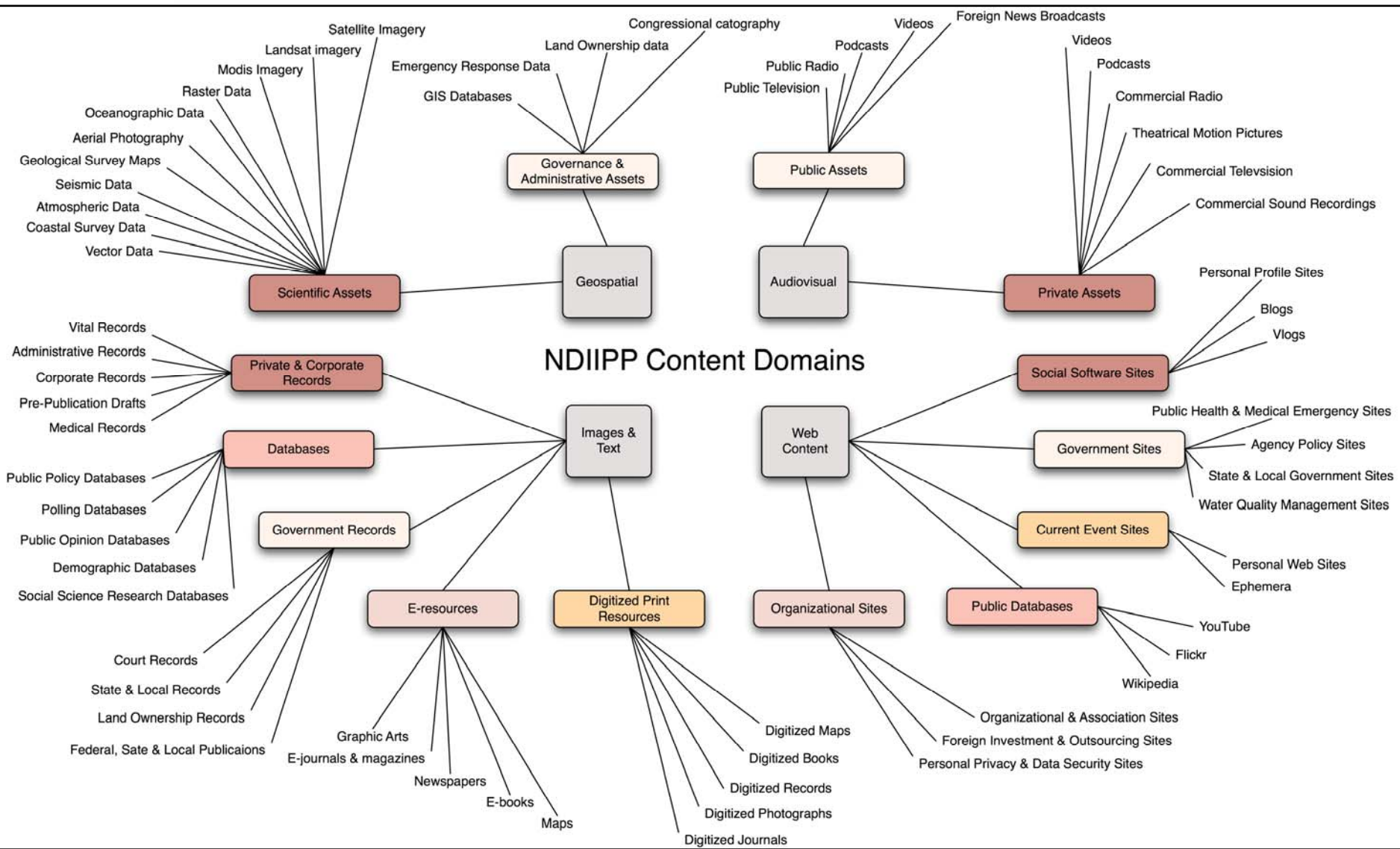
# Intersectoral Engagement 2008

- Natural networks form over time
- Partners reengage in new projects
- Experience is shared across content domains



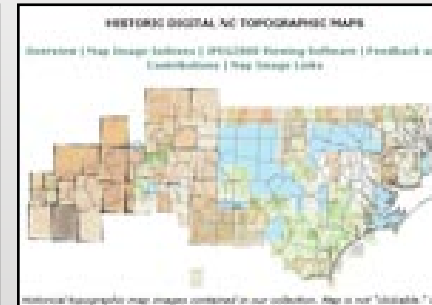
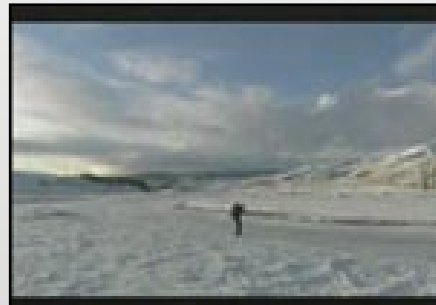
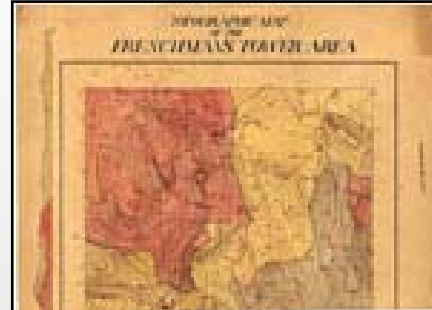


# CONTENT: DOMAIN MAP





# CONTENT: COLLECTIONS



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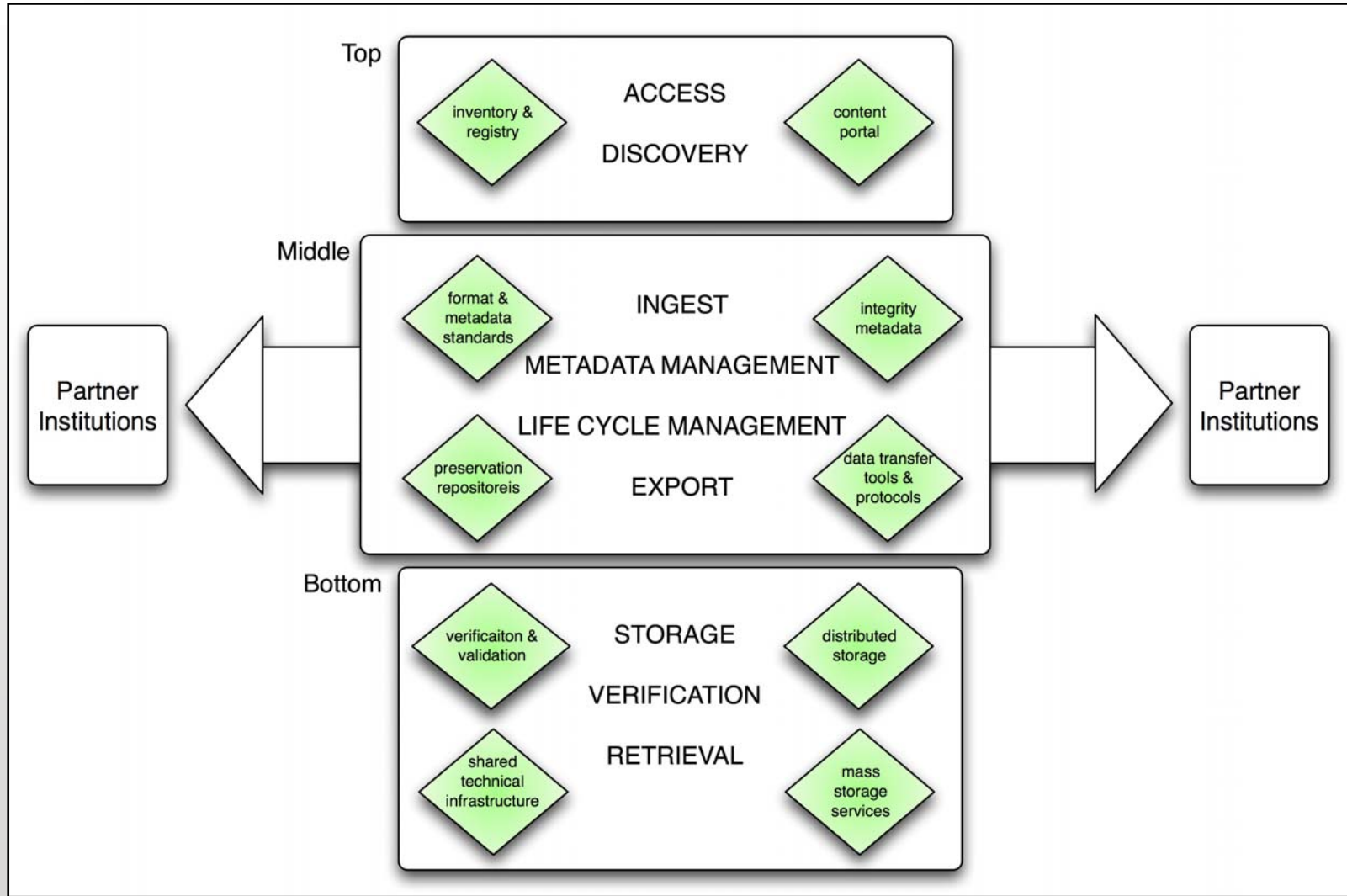
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Geospatial

Web sites

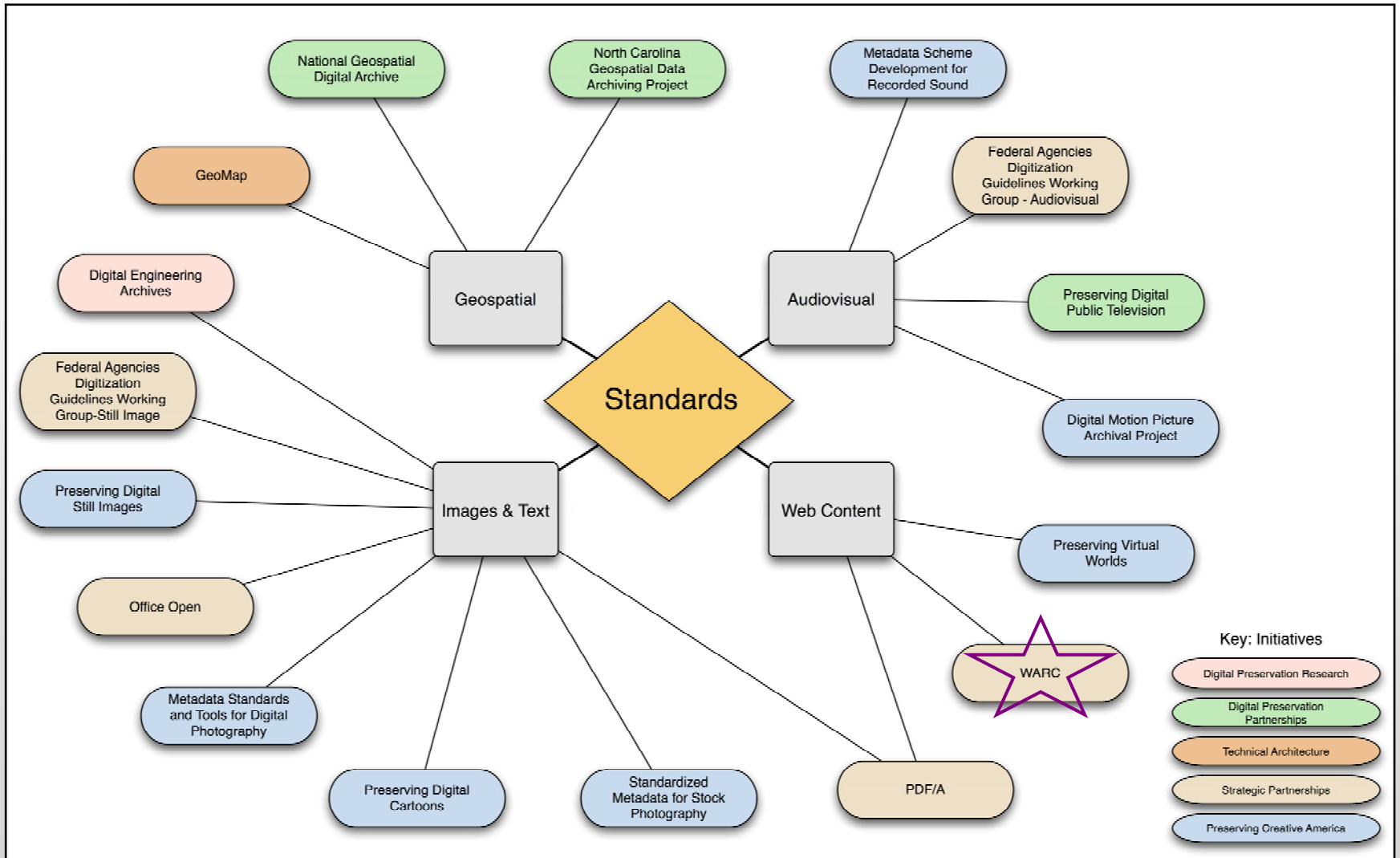


# ARCHITECTURE OF COOPERATION





# Cooperation on STANDARDS





# ARCHITECTURE: TOOLS

- Inventory of tools and services designed, developed or used by NDIIPP partners during their projects

<http://www.digitalpreservation.gov/partners/resources/tools/index.html>

- Library of Congress transfer tool software on Sourceforge.net

<http://sourceforge.net/projects/loc-xferutils/>



# OUTREACH

- Weekly program updates on <http://www.digitalpreservation.gov>
- Monthly newsletter with over 9800 subscribers
- Demonstrations at National Book Festival
- Printed brochures for stakeholders and the general public

**PRESERVING DIGITAL CULTURE**

Libraries everywhere are facing the same challenges as individuals who want to preserve their digital memories, but on a much greater scale. In addition to saving electronic journals and books, digital films and sound recordings, digital maps and other born digital materials, the Library of Congress is collecting and preserving important Web sites.

The Internet is a shared repository for digital culture. It is where creations and knowledge can be openly shared. Much important information is today created specifically for the World Wide Web and exists nowhere else. Online information is often immediately accessible, but it may not remain available for the long term. It is estimated that the life span of an average Web site is less than 44 days.

The Library of Congress and partner organizations are developing tools to collect and preserve Web sites documenting key moments in our recent history that contribute to our collective memory. Since 2000, the Library has developed thematic Web archives on Hurricane Katrina, the events of September 11, 2001, and the U.S. national elections, among others. Explore examples from these important collections.

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**SHARED DIGITAL HERITAGE**

- Digital Heritage
- Personal Digital Heritage
- Shared Digital Heritage
- Digital Preservation

The Library of Congress > Digital Preservation

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**Meeting the Challenge**

The Library of Congress continues to work with the Federal Agencies Digitization Guidelines Initiative. The Still Image working group is developing guidelines for activities associated with digital imaging and encoding.

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**Digital Preservation Pioneers**

Larry Carver talks about creating a home for geospatial data in the library world and his vision for finding information related to any spot on the Earth through online maps.

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**Partner Tools and Services**

The NDIIPP program has actively supported the development of tools and services to support digital preservation. Get access to them here.

**NDIIPP Newsletter**

[Latest NDIIPP Newsletter](#)

**News & Events**

**Legislative Information Preservation Project Holds Meeting**

Project partners get updates and plan activities for the next phase of the project.

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**Library Releases Software**

Open source software tools that cultural heritage organizations can use to send and receive digital data have recently been released on Sourceforge.net.

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**Partners Plan for the Future**



# Cooperation via access

## Access challenges

- Rights
  - Distributed collections
  - Numerous workflows
  - Vague user base
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- Early 2010 launch NDIIPP Portal
    - Tool for discovery
    - Tool for export & sharing
    - Tool for improving metadata
    - Serve as registry

DIGITAL PRESERVATION: **What Is Being Preserved**  
A National Community Preserving Our Culture for Future Generations

The LIBRARY of CONGRESS

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**PRESERVING... Maps and Geospatial Data**

**PRESERVING OUR DIGITAL CULTURE**

The National Digital Information Infrastructure and Preservation Program (NDIIPP) at the Library of Congress has been working since 2000 with a network of partners to save the nation's digital heritage – Web sites, maps, documents, television, social science databases and other materials that are important to the intellectual future of the nation. These items will be lost if they are not now saved.

> [Learn more about this initiative](#)  
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**Photographs of Rural Life in Alabama (1920-1960)**  
> [Visit Collection and Other Examples](#)

**iPoll: Over 70 Years of Public Opinion Survey Data**  
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**The Stanford Geological Survey (1895-1995)**  
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**Connecticut Statewide School Reports: No Child Left Behind**  
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**Documents from the Dot Com Boom**  
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# Intersectoral Cooperation: Successes

- Sub-networks solidify, tested tools flourish
  - MetaArchive Cooperative
  - LOCKSS



<http://www.metaarchive.org/>



# Intersectoral Cooperation: Successes

- Cooperative tools and standards emerge
  - BagIt
- Content stewards offer data for preservation tests
  - ACE, PAWN
- Content stewards first in line for beta test
  - DuraCloud



# Intersectoral Cooperation: Successes

- Federal Digitization Guideline WG
  - All sectors of gov participating
- End-of-Term Web Crawl
  - Private, public & non profit collaboration
- Section 108 Study Group
  - Agreement btw rights holders & memory orgs
- K-12 Archive-It pilot
  - Education & preservation communities



# Intersectoral Cooperation: Lessons Learned

- NDIIPP role as neutral convener is key
  - Every institution is different
  - Heterogeneity is good but high need for coordination
- Trust among sectors is vital
  - Preservation not seen as competition of ROI
- The need for shared best practices & shared responsibility is universal
- Focus cooperation around content or data or . . .
  - Useful services
  - Satisfice



# Goals for more Collaboration

- Building a national digital collection 2009-2013 with distributed partners
  - Public policy resources
  - News, Journalism, and Newsmakers
  - Geospatial Information
- Charter a National Digital Stewardship Alliance to organize, grow and maintain partnerships
  - project to program to organizational commitment
- Enable technical management through infrastructure projects
- Advance a professional development program in digital preservation