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SPN-WIDE INITIATIVES

Learn about current SPN-wide efforts - activities that crosscut working groups and affiliated projects

TWO-YEAR SEED FUNDED LAUNCH

From August 2018 to December 14, 2018, SPN ran a prospectus campaign to invite sponsorship and membership for a two-year, seed funded period to scale up SPN's services and operations. On January 1 2019, we officially launched!

We want to thank all of our organizational members for investing in the future of SPN:

- Canadian Centre for Architecture
- Computer History Museum
- Cornell University
- Duke University
- Georgia Tech
- Harvard/Smithsonian Center for Astrophysics
- Living Computers: Museum + Labs
- Massachusetts Institute of Technology

- New York University
- Penn State University
- Software Sustainability Institute
- Stanford University
- Texas Tech University
- University of Arizona
- University of Illinois
- University of Michigan
- University of North Carolina at Greensboro
- University of Texas at Austin
- University of Virginia
- Yale University

Read more about SPN's seed-funded launch on the new SPN blog. In the inaugural post, we introduce the SPN staff and describe the SPN All-Hands Strategy meeting series (Jan 23, Jan 31 and Feb 7, 2019) to establish a shared context between members and active participants from our volunteer phase.

We are seeking new members and sponsors to join and/or contribute through the two-year seed funded period. If you have any questions, please contact Jessica Meyerson jessica[at]educopia[dot]com.

WORKING GROUPS

Learn about the activities, outputs, and accomplishments of SPN Working Groups

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The SPN Research Working Group released the Service Provider Survey on January 22 and the survey will be open until February 19. The goal of the survey is to understand existing capacity for services related to software preservation in order to inform local policies and workflows.

Now accepting responses:
Service Provider Survey

http://bit.ly/SPN_SPS
Survey will close on February 19, 2019

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Members of the Research Working Group are sharing more information about the ways that their work on the Service Provider Survey aligns with their professional scope and organizational priorities.

"At the Georgia Tech Library, as part of our retroTECH program, we're collecting, preserving, and providing access to software -- from software that will empower us to preserve digital architectural collections to student-created Game Boy Advance games. We hope to preserve not only the bits but also the human stories behind the software's creation and use. That's why I helped design the Service Provider Survey with the SPN Research Working Group -because the data from this study will directly inform both the field and our local policies and procedures."

Wendy Hagenmaier
Georgia Institute of Technology

Take the survey at: http://bit.ly/SPN_SPS
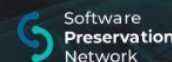Survey will close on February 19, 2019

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"At the University of Virginia Library, the collection, preservation, and access to software and software dependent data has grown to be part of our greater library research and learning mission, as software touches nearly every aspect of modern scholarship and life.

The data from the Service Provider Survey will not only help aid the future practice and preservation policies locally at UVA Library and in the field, but I expect will also spark meaningful connections across diverse research communities."

Lauren Work
University of Virginia

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AFFILIATED PROJECTS

Learn about SPN affiliated project activities and milestones - SPN affiliated projects focus on some aspect of software preservation/curation that supports the strategic goals of SPN

ARL CODE OF BEST PRACTICES
FOR FAIR USE
IN SOFTWARE PRESERVATION

Timeline: January 2017 – June 2020

Funder(s): Alfred P. Sloan Foundation

Awardee: Association of Research Libraries

The Association of Research Libraries (ARL) and the Software Preservation Network (SPN) are excited to announce our upcoming, jointly hosted webinar series entitled "The Fair Use Code and Other Legal Tools for Software Preservation"! Starting on 25th February (Fair Use Week!) and running for 7 weeks, each webinar lasts 55 minutes and uses the Zoom web conferencing platform. The webinar series is free to attend and open to all. All webinar episodes will be recorded and made available online after each event.

To register and learn more about what we'll cover in each episode visit: http://bit.ly/2019-spn-arl-webinars-register

WEBINAR SERIES

THE FAIR USE CODE & OTHER LEGAL TOOLS FOR SOFTWARE PRESERVATION

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SOFTWARE PRESERVATION NETWORK

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FEB 25 - APRIL 8, 2019
11AMPT/1PMCT/2PMET

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100 PERSON REGISTRATION PER EPISODE
ALL EPISODES WILL BE RECORDED AND
POSTED ON THE SPN WEBSITE

Series Overview

- EPISODE 1: *The Code of Best Practices in Fair Use for Software Preservation: Why and How*
    › February 25, 2019 @ 11amPT/1pmCT/2pmET
- EPISODE 2: *Beginning the Preservation Workflow*
    › March 4, 2019 @ 11amPT/1pmCT/2pmET
- EPISODE 3: *Making Software Available Within Institutions and Networks*
    › March 11, 2019 @ 11amPT/1pmCT/2pmET
- EPISODE 4: *Working with Source Code and Software Licenses*
    › March 18, 2019 @ 11amPT/1pmCT/2pmET
- EPISODE 5: *Understanding the Anti-circumvention Rules and the Preservation Exemptions*
    › March 25, 2019 @ 11amPT/1pmCT/2pmET
- EPISODE 6: *Making the Code Part of Software Preservation Culture*
    › Monday, April 1, 2019 @ 11amPT/1pmCT/2pmET
- EPISODE 7: *International Implications*
    › April 8, 2019 @ 11amPT/1pmCT/2pmET

Timeline: January 2018 – June 2020

Funder(s): Andrew W. Mellon Foundation and Alfred P. Sloan Foundation

Awardee: Yale University

With this issue of STACKTRACE, we are launching the EaaSI blog where you'll find blog posts each month from different members of the EaaSI team. Moving forward, EaaSI Affiliation Project Updates will be posted to the EaaSI blog and linked to from the newsletter.

This issue, you'll learn about the November 2018 Node Lead In-Person Meeting, EaaSI Participation Agreement in collaboration with the Harvard Cyberlaw Clinic, Wikidata record validation, and the Beta Rollout of the EaaSI system to network Node Hosts. Read the latest EaaSI Project Update from Seth Anderson (EaaSI Program Manager) on our EaasI News page.

Members of the EaaSI team are participating in the upcoming PASIG 2019 Meeting in Mexico City, Mexico. Seth Anderson and Jessica Meyerson will explore the ecosystem of software preservation tools and services alongside **Krista Cox** (Director of Public Policy Initiatives, Association of Research Libraries); **Daina Bouquin** (Head Librarian, Center for Astrophysics, Harvard & Smithsonian); **Don Brower** (Head of Digital Infrastructure, Notre Dame University); and **Selina Aragon** (Communications Lead, Software Sustainability Institute).

Timeline: June 2017 – May 2020

Funder(s): Institute for Museum and Library Services #RE-95-17-0058-17

Awardee: CalPoly State University

With this issue of STACKTRACE, we are launching the FCoP blog where you'll find blog posts each month from FCoP Staff, Cohort Members, and soon-to-be Project Researcher. Moving forward, FCoP Project Updates will be posted to the FCoP blog and linked to from the newsletter.

This issue, you'll learn about recent emulation sandbox testing, Q&A on the Preservationist's Guide to the DMCA Exemption with Kendra Albert (Cyberlaw Clinic), status reports on each of the FCoP cohort projects, and the awardee of the FCoP Research Travel Award. Read the latest FCoP Project Update from Zach Vowell and Jessica Meyerson on our FCoP News page.

NETWORK MAINTENANCE

Learn about changes and improvements to functional aspects of the Network including updates on governance, funding, engagement strategies and other activities that comprise backbone support for working groups, committees, affiliated projects, and strategic partnerships

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WEBSITE UPDATE: The new SPN Website is live! However, we are still working out all the kinks. Please use our contact form to let us know if you identify an error or would like provide feedback on how to improve the site.

JOIN SPN: Do you appreciate the work that SPN has been doing over the last several years to broaden participation and ensure lawful preservation, sharing, and resource of software? Would you like to SPN to continue its work of coordination, research, advocacy, and capacity building? Do you have ideas or a vision for the future of software preservation that you would like to see realized through the SPN community?

If you answered "Yes" to any of these questions, then consider supporting our work through membership or sponsorship. Download, complete and submit your SPN Participation Agreement to <jessica@educopia.org>.

FIND OUT MORE

The Software Preservation Network (SPN) facilitates and supports software preservation efforts. SPN preserves

software through community engagement, infrastructure support and knowledge generation in five core activity areas including Legal & Policy Advocacy, Metadata & Standards Development, Training & Education, Research-in-Practice and Technological Infrastructure.

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