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DEFINITION (DIGITAL LIBRARY FEDERATION)

"Digital libraries are organizations that provide the resources, including the specialized staff, to select, structure, offer intellectual access to, interpret, distribute, preserve the integrity of, and ensure the persistence over time of collections of digital works so that they are readily and economically available for use by a defined community or set of communities"

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Definition of "digital library"
Digital Library Federation
resources making up the Digital Library Collection of two kinds:
digital original resources (resources "born digitally")
"digital surrogates" (created by format conversion from analogue resources)

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Integration of access and delivery
integrating access to traditional resources with digital resources
quote from Cliff Lynch and Hector Garcia-Molina:
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So, to begin with, here's a definition, I think probably the best one amongst the numbers that I discovered in, in preparing for this presentation, although it's a reasonably long one and it comes from the Digital Library Federation. And it reminds us particularly that the Digital Library is more than a mere aggregation of digital information resources. Now we are first of all talking about organisations and in many cases those organisations will be collaborative projects, but importantly also we are talking about something which is based on the principles of selecting and structuring and offering access to and preserving information resources just as our traditional libraries are.

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