Transforming collection description

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"to maintain and develop a national collection of library material, including a comprehensive collection of library material relating to Australia and the Australian people"
• 'Do more with less'
• User expectations
• Upgrade old systems
• Future proof digital collecting
• Transition workflows
Transforming collection description

‘CREATE ONCE, USE MANY TIMES’
USER CENTERED DESIGN
LARGE SCALE DATA COLLECTION
REDUCING REPETITION AND REDUNDANT WORKFLOWS
FOCUSING STAFF RESOURCES ON THEIR EXPERTISE
Legislative change

Collect born digital publications: books, serials, maps, music

Ingest to Library systems

Public access

Preserved for future generations
Publisher deposits publication & metadata via edeposit form

File & metadata uploaded to Digital Library Collections

Notification sent to digital mailroom

Transfer of metadata to LMS

Staff upgrade catalogue record

Transfer to Digital Preservation System

Catalogue

Trove
**Metadata journey : A National Library story**

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- 7401034

**Creator**
- Smeet, Colin, author.

**Edition**
- 1st edition.
- AustMonos
- 1 January 2019
- 1 online resource.
- English

**Publisher**
- Voyager

**Start Date**
- 7401034

**Extent**
- 7 - Minimal level

**Language**
- English

**Record Source**
- Voyager

**Record Source Number**
- 7401034

**Encoding Level**
- 7 - Minimal level

**Collection**
- Australian

**Sub Unit Type**
- Digital Publication

**Form**
- Item

**Bib Level**
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**Capture Status**
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- Smith, John, editor.

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- Smeet, Colin, author

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- Australian Content

**Australian Content**
- yes

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‘Now the big big change!
The book is no longer on my desk or in my trolley! It is on my screen...
There is no trolley work, no unpacking boxes...

Because we don’t have to waste time on the basics we spend more time improving the quality of the record…’

Badra Karunarathna, NLA
September 2016
Bulk deposit

Large/Commercial publishers

Utilising publisher distribution systems

Deposit epublication and metadata files

Ingest to DLC
Set-up
- Publisher contact and set-up
- Test deposit from publisher
- Staff check sample deposit

Process
- Deposit received via FTP or CoreSource channel
- File & metadata uploaded to Digital Library Collections
- Transfer of metadata to LMS
- Transfer to Digital Preservation System

Delivery
- National Library of Australia Catalogue
- Trove
The Sinking of HMAS Sydney: How Australia's Greatest Maritime Mystery Was Solved

The gripping account of how Australia's greatest warship was lost and found. "We just found Sydney. We've got it. It's absolutely crystal clear. She's sitting upright in a small debris field. There's no doubt about it." For sixty-six years it was Australia's greatest maritime mystery: what happened to the 'pride of the fleet' HMAS Sydney - was she beaten in a fair fight with the German cruiser Kormoran, or was there treachery involved? Could the Kormoran survivors' account of the battle and its aftermath be believed? Why were there no survivors from Sydney? And where was the wreck? One of the world's foremost shipwreck hunters, David L. Mearns first heard the story of the Sydney in 1996. It left an indelible impression on him. Hunting the Sydney ten years later tested all his skills as a detective, engineer, marine scientist and navigator. But find it he did, and with that momentous discovery came answers to the mystery: closure to relatives still grieving the 645 men dead; accountability to the RAN, which had all but given up hope of ever finding its most iconic ship; and a sad but gripping explanation of the staggering naval disaster, allowing Australians to finally make sense of the conflicting, conspiratorial and painful event.

Benefits for Publishers & Library

- Utilising existing publisher distribution channels
- Set access conditions
- Rich metadata for enhanced description
- Minimal staff time for processing
Bringing new publishers onboard
Digital Deposit Service

Automated web-based submission system
Donors transfer unpublished digital material

Manage, process and deliver these submissions
Functions of DDS

- Transfer of digital objects
- Appraisal by Library staff
- Description by donor
- Ingest to safe storage
- Rights management
- Reuse of metadata
Types of transfers

• Single transfer

• Multiple submissions per donor

• Multiple donors
Set-up:
- Donor contact and form opened
- Donor submits digital files & metadata

Delivery:
- Creation of finding aid

Process:
- Deposit received and staff appraise material
- Files & metadata uploaded to Digital Library Collection
- Transfer to Digital Preservation System
Operational Benefits

- Process thousands of digital items
- Description by original creators
- Transferred and made available within hours