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## First Anniversary Call for Papers

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Scientists and researchers across the UK generate increasingly vast amounts of digital data, with further investment in digitisation and purchase of digital content and information. The scientific record in digital form is at risk from technology obsolescence, from the fragility of digital media, and from an incomplete grasp of the basics of good practice. Digital Curation, defined as maintaining and adding value to a trusted body of digital information over the life-cycle of scholarly and scientific materials, for current and future use, covers the set of practices required to manage data properly.

The *International Journal of Digital Curation (IJDC)* has been set up to share research and expert knowledge on these issues from around the world. It appears in electronic form twice a year and is produced by UKOLN at the University of Bath, sponsored by the Digital Curation Centre (working to support institutions that store, manage and preserve these data to help ensure their enhancement and long-term use, and providing a national focus for research and development into curation issues).

The *IJDC* fills a critical “niche gap”, offering valuable insights into the research challenges, service developments, best practice and policy approaches associated with this field. It is international in coverage and has drawn on an eminent international Editorial Board to inform and guide its inception. It is entirely devoted to papers, articles and reports on curation of digital objects and related issues. If you are a researcher, developer or practitioner working in these areas, this is the journal for you.

As the *IJDC* celebrates its first anniversary it seems timely to re-issue a call for papers. The *IJDC* welcomes contributions from across all disciplines and domains engaged in the creation, use and management of digital data from researchers and curators through to policy makers and funders.

The areas in which the *IJDC* is particularly interested are detailed as follows:

- Sustainability issues
- Data resource: creation, development, management, context and metadata, authenticity and provenance
- Data access and re-use, including publication, discovery, citation and linking, annotation, discussion and review, integration and

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collaboration, and access management including intellectual property and ethical issues as well as technical

- Digital preservation and archiving to make available over the longer term, including objects whose state is changing, preservation approaches, formats and representation information, repositories, economic and business models, and audit and certification

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