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RODA, SCAPE & E-ARK - a case study

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Outline

- What is RODA?
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What is RODA?







A digital repository specially designed for archives, with the following main features:

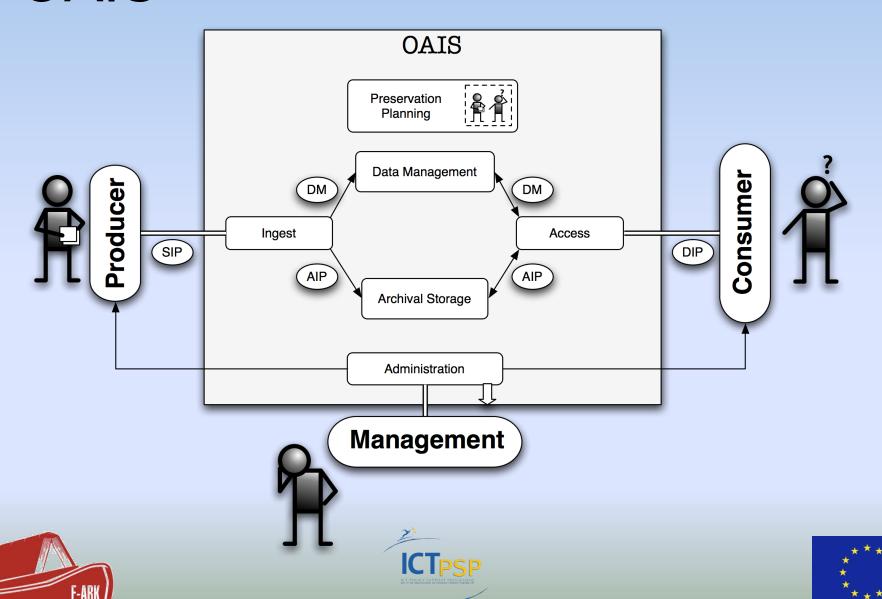
- Long-term Preservation and Authenticity
- Based on standards (OAIS, METS, EAD, PREMIS, etc.)
- Secure (fine-grain permissions, anonymous not allowed, LDAP)
- Scalable architecture (SOA)
- Clean web user interface and ingest desktop tool
- For archivists, for producers, for consumers
- Open source



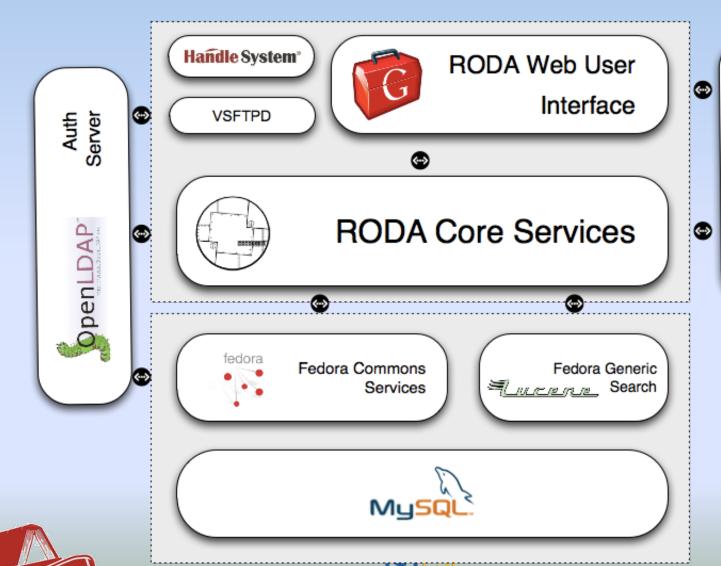




OAIS



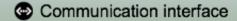
Architecture



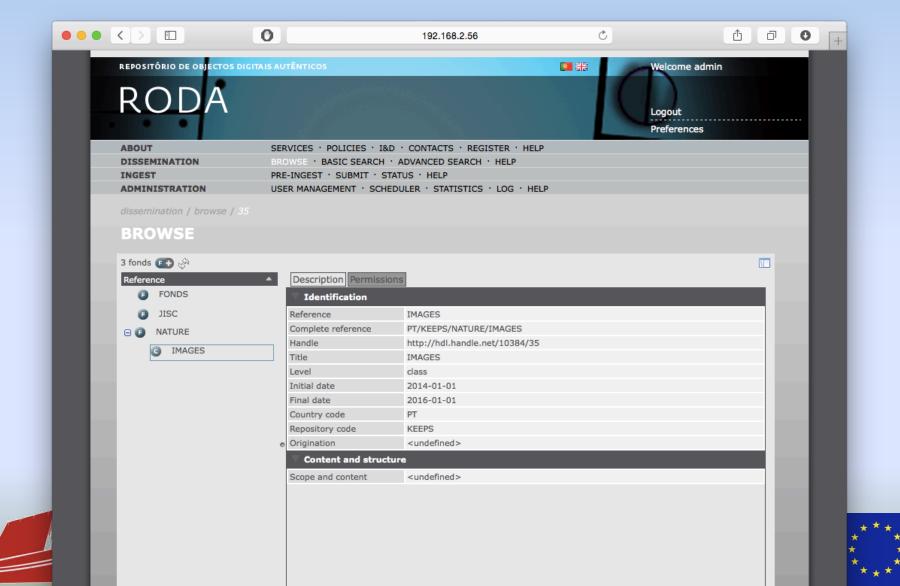
Migration services & preservation actions



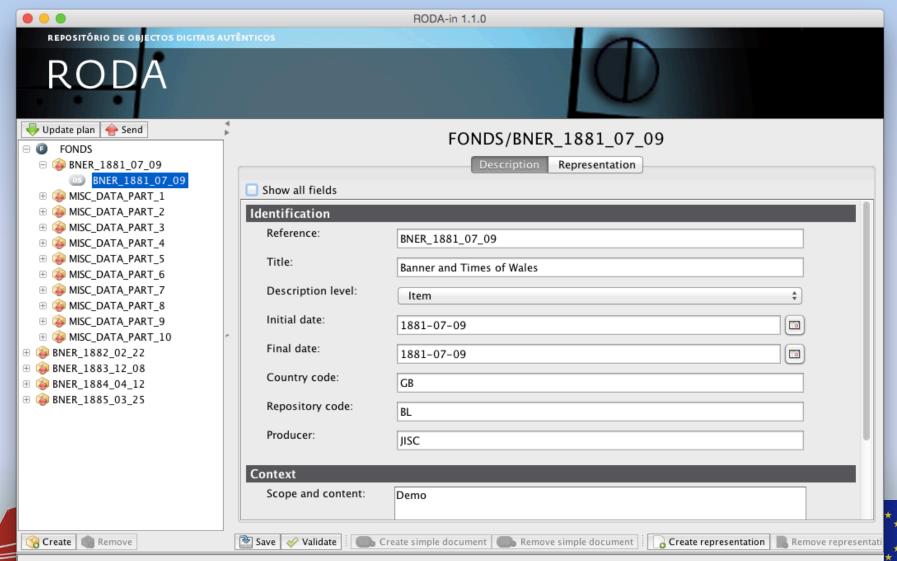




RODA Web User Interface



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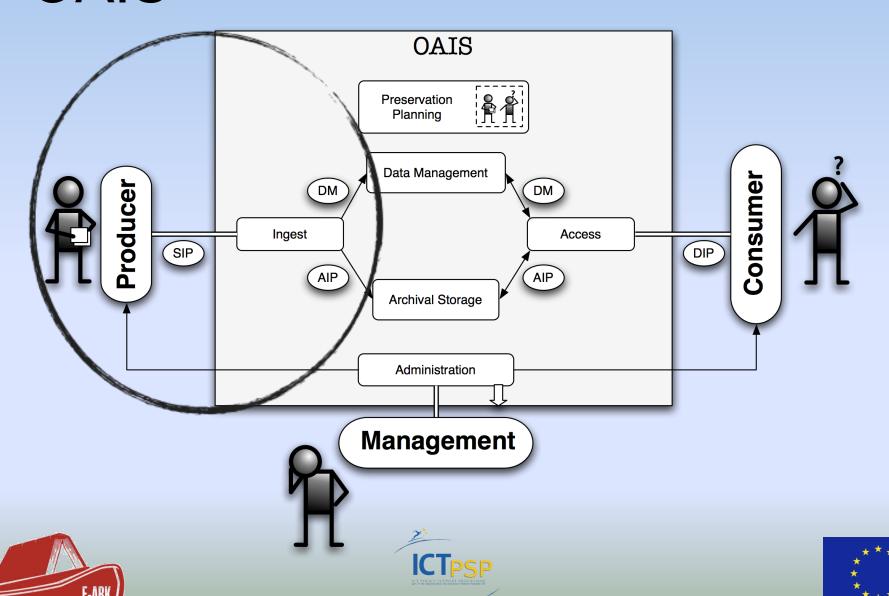
RODA current problems





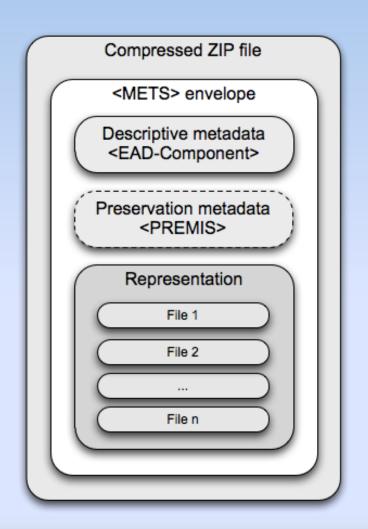


OAIS



RODA SIP Format

- Object class and format
- Place in classification plan
- Descriptive metadata
- Preservation metadata
- Technical metadata
- Representation files

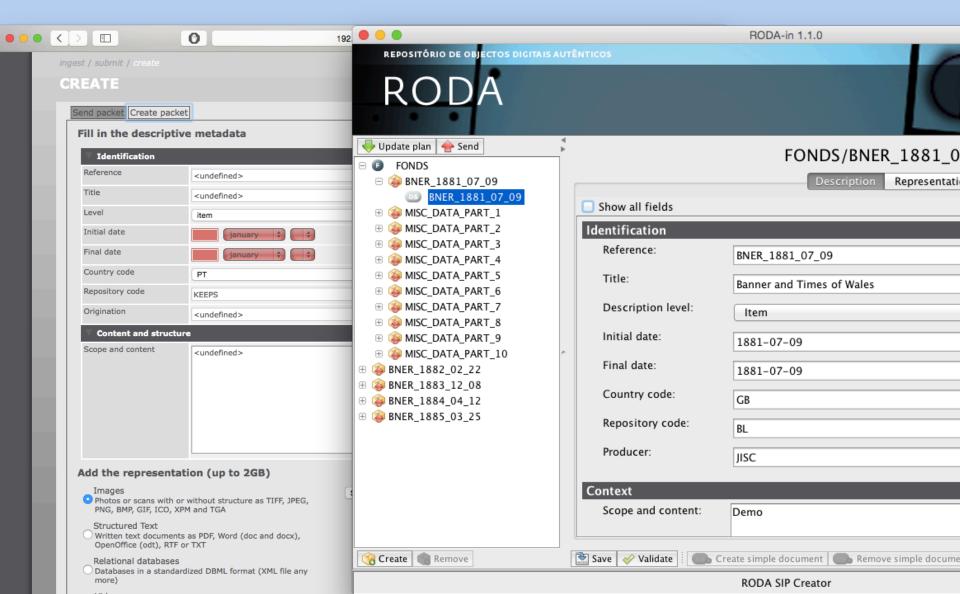




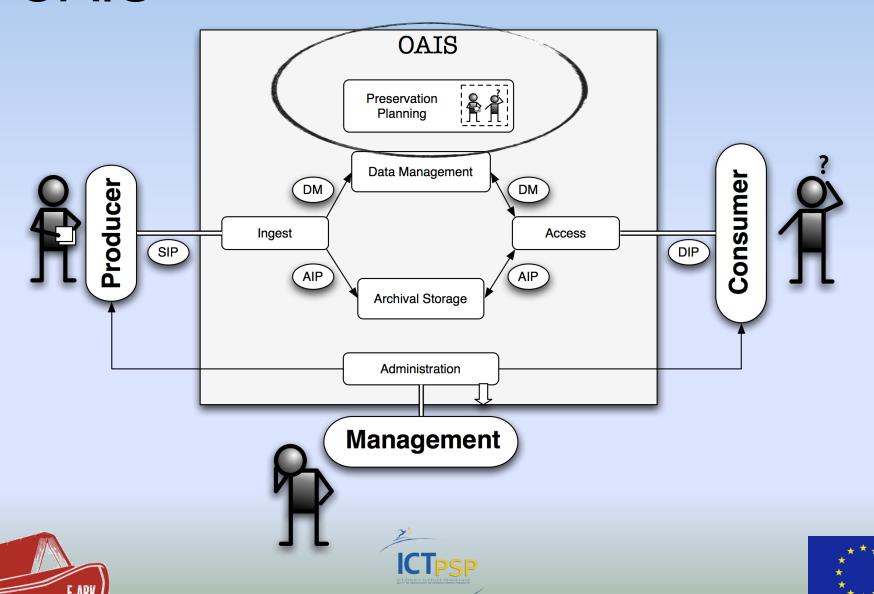




Massive SIP creation (& upload)



OAIS



RODA preservation actions (set of plug-ins, more can be added easily):

- Fixity check
- File format migration
- Etc.

But...

- Well founded decision for selecting optimal preservation task must be made
- Environment monitoring must be carried out







Research initiatives & results







Advanced preservation planning

- C3PO Inspect content features
- Scout Find preservation risks
- Plato Create preservation plans
- Taverna Executable workflows
- RODA Execute Plato action plans









OAIS - Preservation planning

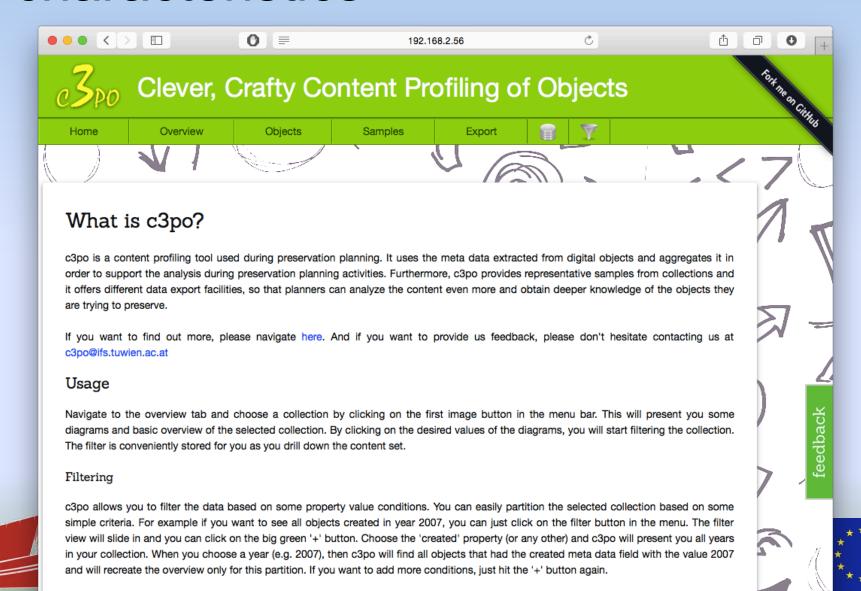
...task responsible for "monitoring the environment of the OAIS and which provides recommendations and preservation plans to ensure that the information stored in the OAIS remains accessible to, and understandable by, and sufficiently usable by, the Designated Community"...



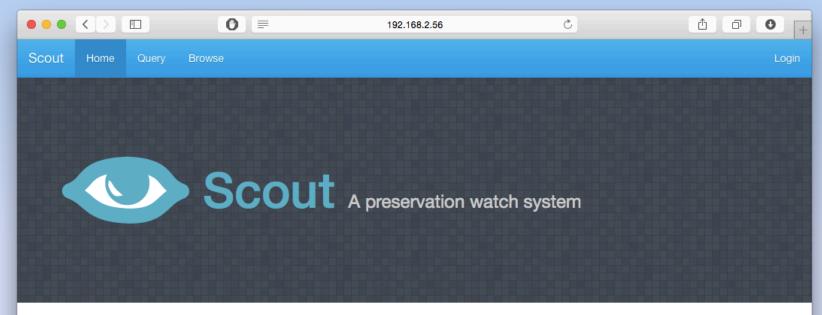




C3PO - Inspect content characteristics



Scout - Find preservation risks



What is Scout?

Scout is a digital preservation watch system that allows you to be notified whenever some significant event in the world can bring you harm or profit.

How does it work?

It gathers information from all around the world and curates it using link data technology. It can fetch information from your content, organization policies, format and tool registries, the Web, and even human knowledge, putting all on a centralized and well defined knowledge base.

Then you can define questions to **identify preservation risks**.

These questions can cross-relate information from different

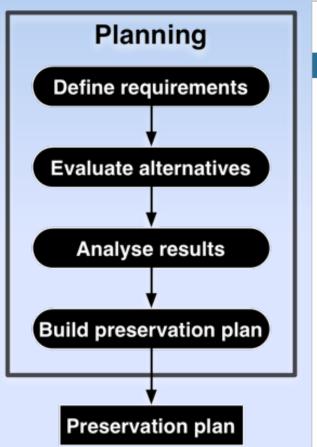








Plato - Create preservation plans





Digital content is short-lived, yet may prove to have value in the future. How can we keep it a Finding the right action to enable future access to digital content in a transparent way is the

The mission of digital preservation is to ensure continued, authentic long-term access to digital objects communities. This requires preservation actions to be carried out when the original environment of digit of preservation actions exist, but each shows specific peculiarities, and a variety of factors influence the

The **mission of preservation planning** is to ensure authentic future access for a specific set of object defining the actions needed to preserve it.

The planning tool **Plato** is a decision support tool that implements a solid preservation planning preservation, preservation action and automatic object comparison in a service-oriented support for preservation planning endeavours.

What's new?

September 2014: Best Demonstration at Digital Libraries 2014

We are happy to announce that The SCAPE preservation lifecycle was awarded Best Demonstration at D



Taverna - Execute the plan



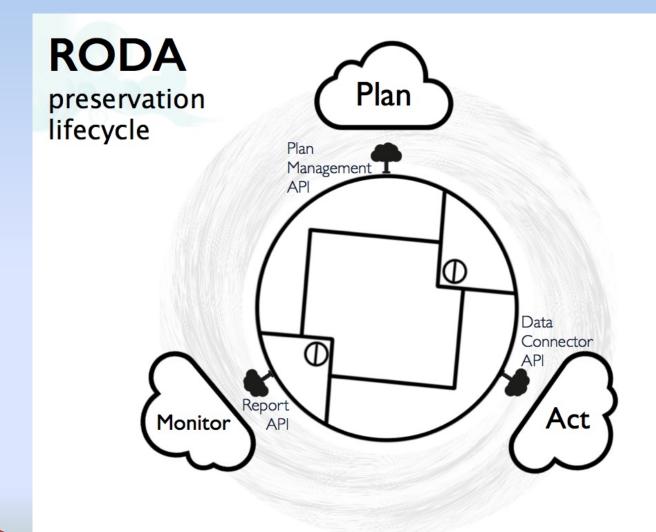
Taverna is an open source and domain-independent Workflow Management System - a suite of tools used to design and execute scientific workflows and aid in silico experimentation.

Taverna has been created by the myGrid team and is currently funded though FP7 projects BioVeL, SCAPE and Wf4Ever.





Advanced preservation planning









Future research







RODA - full scale pilot

- Implement pan-European SIP & DIP
- Improve ingest process
- Improve access to content (specially databases)
- Integrate RODA with live Record Management System





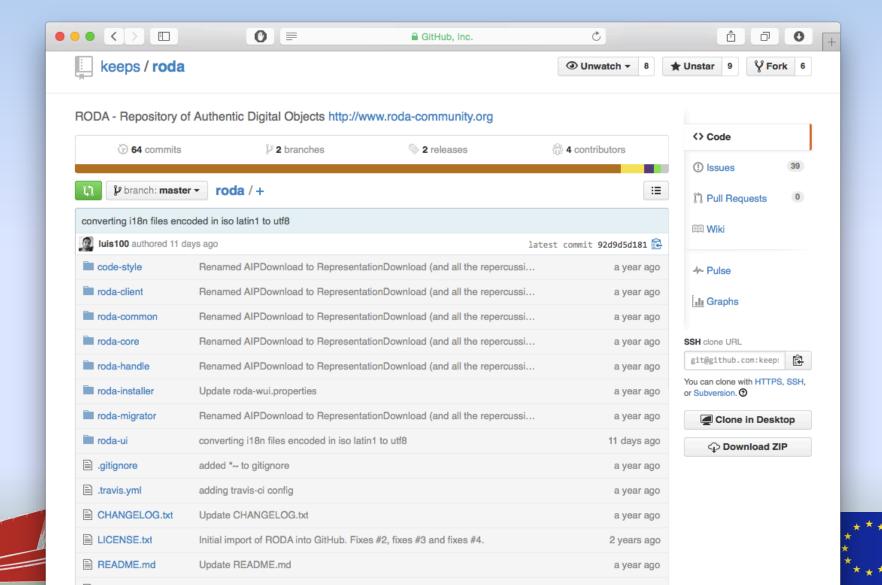
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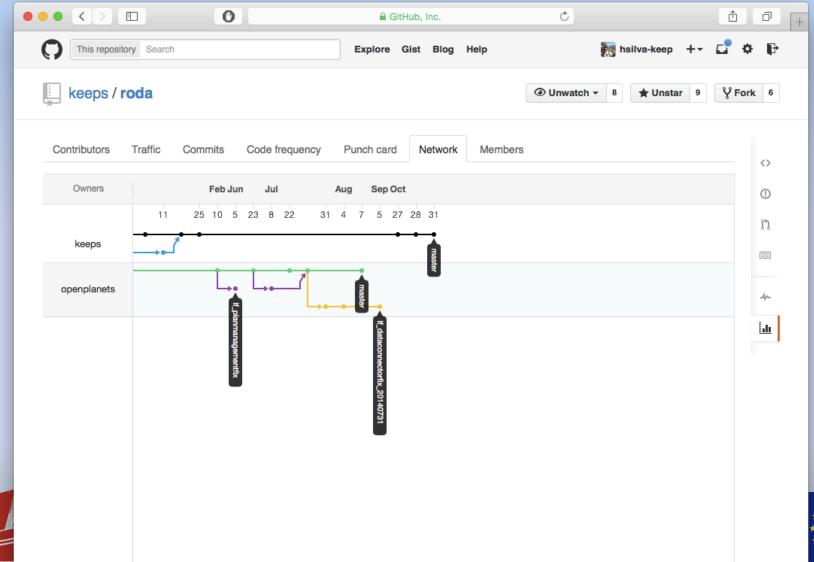




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SCAPE outputs

- C3PO, Scout, Plato, Taverna are external services
- Integrated with RODA via 3 new APIs:
 - Repository independent
 - Use standards (e.g. OAI-PMH, PREMIS, Dublin Core, METS)
 - Made none or the least changes possible in the underlying data model

This means: they will be merge into the main source code







E-ARK outputs

- Changes can have much deeper impact
- But we are willing to take that risk
- This way the outcomes of the project get to the end user

This means: they will be merge into the main source code







Final thoughts







- To be successful, be open to changes
- Open source and standards based approaches facilitate those changes
- Using available infrastructures (e.g. GitHub) and founding accelerates the access to new developments
- But planning and design is needed to facilitate the integration of new developments into the main source

Embrace changes, but plan well and communicate!







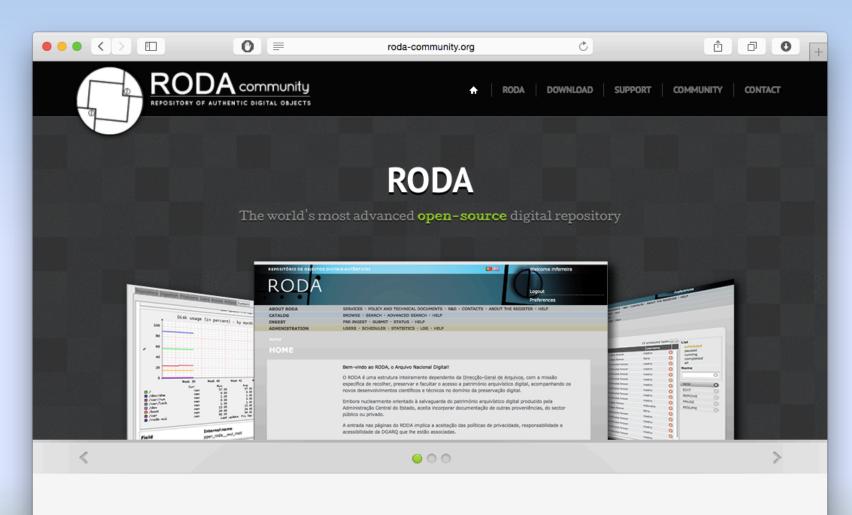
Want to know more about RODA?







http://www.roda-community.org



An open-source digital repository designed for preservation

RODA is a complete digital repository that delivers functionality for all the main units of the OAIS reference model. RODA is capable of ingesting, managing and providing access to the various types of digital content produced by large corporations or public bodies. RODA is based on open-source technologies and is





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