In 2007, the National Archives Preservation Conference focused on the essential components of the digitization process and on common issues that would influence reformatting decisions and approaches. It was geared to benefiting institutions that were contemplating entering, or may have had just entered, the digitization arena.

This year we are presenting “Digitizing for Preservation and Access: Past is Prologue.” It will focus on institutional approaches, case studies, standards and management techniques for projects and programs that are either underway or already completed. Thus, the discussion has moved from the experimental and theoretical to examining and learning from what has already been done.

Our intent is for attendees to leave the conference with an understanding of what digitizing choices are appropriate for their institution, based in part on lessons learned and new ground broken by other institutions, large and small.

The 2009 conference coincides with the 75th Anniversary of the founding of the National Archives.

“Digitizing for Preservation and Access: Past is Prologue” will also feature an exhibit by vendors who provide products and services related to the conference topic.

Please visit the conference website at www.archives.gov/preservation/conferences/2009/ For additional information, please call Richard Schneider, Conference Coordinator, at 301-837-3617
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