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How the National libraries will succeed with their digital strategies

French digital networks
The BnF as a catalyst

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The French digital networks

20 years old this year – just like the BnF

French digital networks milestones

1994 BnF Decree

1997 Gallica launched

2007 Mass digitisation program

2009 Special collections digitisation program

2010 Distributed System for Preservation and Archiving **2010** The digital strategic scheme for libraries

2014 Gallica Marque blanche

Core missions of the BnF

- ❑ Cooperate with existing networks
- ❑ Participate in the pooling of information resources
- ❑ Use digital technologies

The digital strategic scheme for libraries (2010)

- ❑ Create digital **documentary corpora**
- ❑ Without duplications or gaps
- ❑ **Criteria:** public demand & preservation
- ❑ **Cooperation programmes** open to any kind of libraries
- ❑ French **newspapers collections** digitisation programme

Networks growing steadily since 1994

❑ Several national projects

- Gallica
- The French Collective Catalogue
- The National Bibliography



The BnF cooperation network

In 2014, 229 partners
coordinated by the BnF
on behalf of the ministry of Culture.

- 26 legal deposit partners
- 203 documentary partners

Some cooperation partners



BnF cooperation policy over the last 20 years

Shared cataloguing (for heritage collections in particular)

- ☐ Retrospective conversion of library catalogues
- ☐ French collective catalogue

Gallica, a French Digital Library

- ☐ Coordinated digitisation of thematic collections
- ☐ Collection development policy, guidelines for digitisation

The distributed legal deposit network

- ☐ Legal deposit heritage collections distributed throughout French territory
- ☐ System extended to the Internet legal deposit

Bienvenue !

Vous accédez à distance aux **archives de l'internet** de la BnF

La Bibliothèque nationale de France met à votre disposition un accès aux **collections du dépôt légal de l'internet**, lorsque vous êtes dans les salles de lecture de ses bibliothèques partenaires.

Ces « **archives de l'internet** » sont constituées de copies de sites web français effectuées à des fréquences régulières.

Ces sites sont datés et indexés pour être restitués dans leur contexte de publication original, ce qui permet de naviguer dans les archives comme sur le web.

L'accès à ces collections, qui sont sous droits, se fait via un **navigateur sécurisé**. Vous pourrez consulter l'aide disponible dans l'application.

Pour accéder aux collections, il est nécessaire de lire attentivement et d'accepter la charte du bon usage des services à distance de la BnF.

CHARTRE DU BON USAGE DES SERVICES À DISTANCE DE LA BnF

Conditions d'accès et d'utilisation

Nature des utilisations : l'utilisation des services à distance de la BnF dans les salles de lecture des bibliothèques partenaires de la BnF est réservée à des fins de recherche documentaire et d'information conformes aux missions de recherche et d'étude de la BnF (consultation des collections du dépôt légal de l'internet).

Respect des autres usagers : Chaque utilisateur est invité à respecter les autres lecteurs en particulier en observant la

☒ J'ai lu la charte et je l'accepte

→ **Consulter**

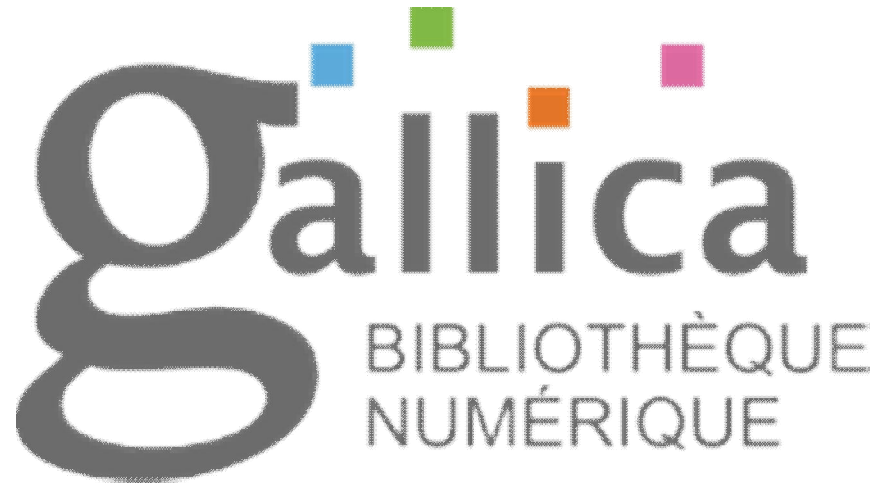
BnF cooperation policy: latest developments

- ❑ Bibliographic products and services
 - Linked open data models and open data policy
 - Shared vocabularies and thesauri



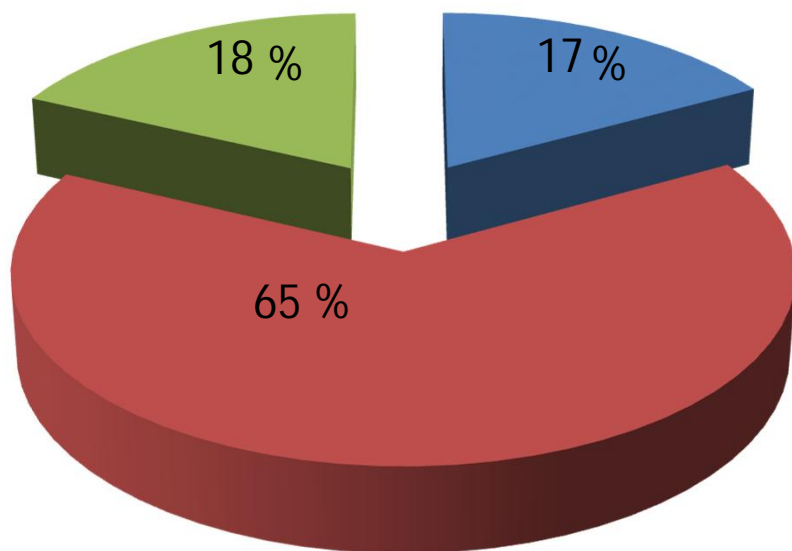
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- ❑ Shared digitisation and harvesting



a collective digital library

270 partners
(1997-2014)

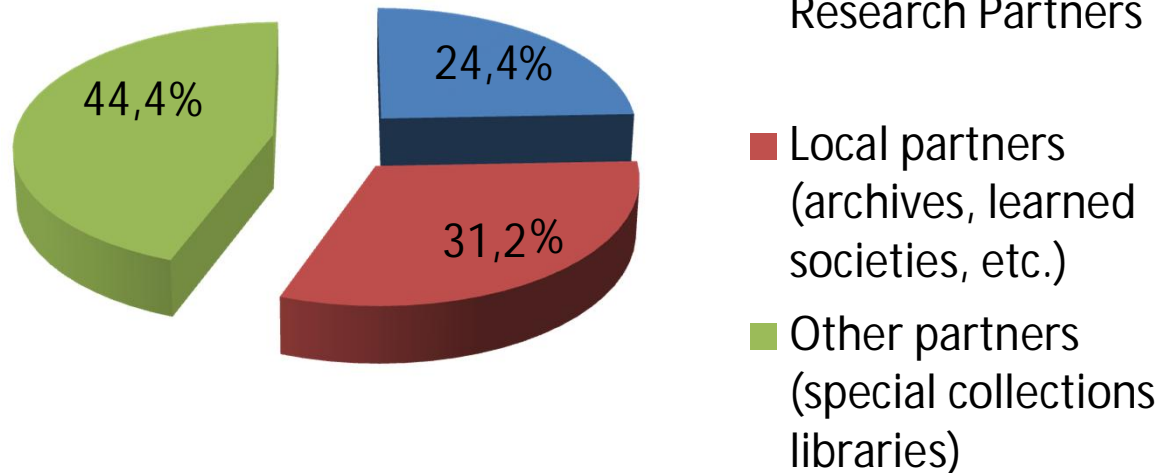


- Higher Education & Research Partners (46)
- Local partners (archives, learned societies, etc.) (175)
- Other partners (special collections libraries) (49)

a collective digital library

400,000 documents from partner institutions

- 35% digitised by BnF
- 57% OAI harvested
- 8% ingested



Since 2009, one third of the current digitisation programme is devoted to documents held by BnF partners

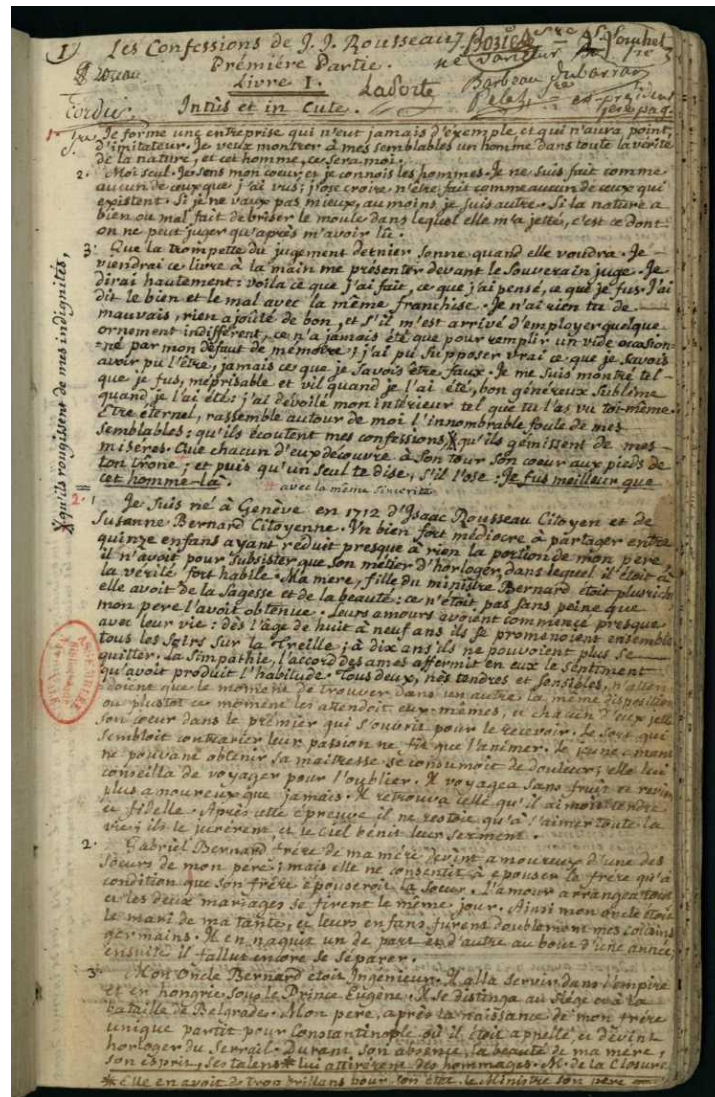
Alphabet book (1926)

by Benjamin Rabier

Paris, bibliothèque de l'Heure joyeuse



The Confessions,
by Jean-Jacques Rousseau
autograph manuscript, 1765-1770
Paris, National Assembly



BnF cooperation policy: latest developments

- ❑ Providing collective services and tools to the GLAM professional community and the culture industry professionals
 - Archiving service in SPAR–Distributed Archiving and Preservation System
 - Core access tools with customisable options (digital library)



Using and promoting common or interoperable tools and vocabularies: a challenge



To conclude

- ❑ **What is the BnF's digital strategy?**
 - To combine technology and governance

- ❑ **How will national libraries succeed in their digital strategies?**
 - To act as a leader and / or catalyst at the national level and to play an active role

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Thank you

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