CRITICAL SUCCESS FACTORS FOR AN AFRICAN DIGITAL LIBRARY

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AFRICAN DIGITAL LIBRARY VISION

1 Push content to ADL

Content Owners
- Museums
- Libraries
- Archives
- Galleries
- Biodiversity
- Research
- Education
- Government
- Universities
...

2 ADL organises content

African Digital Library
- Index Repository
- Preview Repository

3 User request

4 Response

5 User request details

6 Response from source

User
**DIGITAL MATURITY MODEL FOR HERITAGE INSTITUTIONS**

**LEVEL 0**: no own web site of any form

**LEVEL 1**: basic own web single page and perhaps web pages on tourism web sites

**LEVEL 2**: own web site with pages for governance, collections, location, contact details

**LEVEL 3**: access to items within collections and digital reproductions, but only primitive search capability

**LEVEL 4**: full online collections with powerful search and access to digital content, sustainable + persistent identifiers

**LEVEL 5**: DISCOVERABLE: metadata and preview images pushed to / pulled from aggregator search engines, such as BHL / EUROPEANA
CRITICAL SUCCESS FACTORS (CSF)

1. **CAPACITY**: Institutions to build capacity in electronic inventories + catalogues + web presence

2. **ONLINE**: Institutions to enable access to their online collections

3. **IDENTIFIER**: Institutions to provide for Persistent Identifiers and for access to individual objects

4. **UPLOAD**: Easy and rapid uploading of index/preview information

5. **STANDARDS**: Common standards for metadata fields, and common vocabularies

6. **BUY-IN**: Buy-in from each discipline: MUSEUMS, LIBRARIES, ARCHIVES, SITES, NATURAL SCIENCE, BUILT HERITAGE, ORAL HISTORY, EDUCATION