



A holistic description of the Danish society: The Danish National Archives' New Strategy for Selection of Records

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Reorganisations as a Part of the "Archival Everyday"

- Social and political developments lead to frequent re-organizations and changes of public bodies and public functions.
- Privatisation of public bodies and functions

The National Archives' New Appraisal Strategy 2017

- The mission: "We document the present for the future"
- Two strategic goals:
 - 1) The National Archives' collection must ensure an opportunity for a holistic description of the Danish society.
 - 2) To ensure that the National Archives' collection and preservation work is carried out in close cooperation with authorities and private actors to ensure that the right records are designated for preservation.
- The legislative and financial framework

Implementation of the Strategy: The Veterans' Project

Aims:

1. Survey of relevant archival associations and records
2. Strategy for contact with private associations: how, when and who.
3. Description of what is worthy of preservation.
4. For private associations agreements on handing over records to the Archives

Implementation of the Strategy: The Veterans' Project

- New preservation methods
- Choosing the right associations for preservation
- Preliminary results

Concluding Remarks

- Different legislative and financial frames
- The same goal: To ensure that records from all parts of the Danish society are a part of our common memory so that a holistic description of our society can be told.