University of Westminster entrusts its digital preservation to Arkivum

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Chippenham, Wiltshire, 7th July 2016 – Arkivum, the leading provider of managed digital preservation and archiving solutions, is delighted to announce that University of Westminster (London, UK) has selected Arkivum Perpetua as its long-term digital preservation solution.

With a 175-year old collection of historical records from both its predecessor institutions and from donated materials, UoW has faced the challenge to safeguard, preserve and provide global access to its digital and digitised collections using a cost-effective, state-of-the-art and end-to-end solution.

Arkivum's Perpetua is a digital preservation and access solution that can be deployed and operated as either cloud-based or on-site. Perpetua ensures digital files remain accessible and usable over decades or longer timescales and uses world-leading open-source tools such as Archivematica to provide preservation functionality. Perpetua, a comprehensive suite that also provides added benefits such as search, discovery and automation, is based on Arkivum's unique 100% data integrity guaranteed storage solution.

Elaine Penn, University Archivist and Records Manager at University of Westminster said: "We felt that Arkivum's Perpetua solution was best suited to serve our long-term needs. Our institutional records are extremely important to us and having a trusted partner whose solution is on the Jisc framework is central to our long-term storage strategy."

Guy Yaniv, CEO at Arkivum added: "The Arkivum team is proud to have been selected as the University of Westminster's partner of choice for safeguarding and preserving its priceless digital assets. Perpetua is a comprehensive preservation solution designed from the ground up to meet the highest industry standards and service levels as expected by University of Westminster."

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About Arkivum

Arkivum provides industry-leading data preservation and archiving solutions to organisations in higher education, healthcare, life sciences, and digital heritage. These solutions assure the long-term value, trustworthiness and authenticity of data irrespective of whether it's terabytes or petabytes being preserved, and irrespective of whether the retention period is years, decades, or a quarter of a century.

Through active data management, chain of custody and ISO 27001 compliance processes, Arkivum's unique technology provides rapid, low-latency access to archived data and provides an unrivalled 100% data integrity guarantee. Backed by indemnity insurance, this is our commitment to protect, curate and preserve data for the future and to eliminate the needless loss of information and knowledge.

Arkivum works with partners to deliver integrated, scalable and flexible solutions for data discovery and sharing; publishing; file format preservation; and information portals.

Since its formation in 2011, Arkivum has grown steadily, boasting 300% growth in 2014 and again in 2015. As an example, Arkivum provides data archiving solutions to 1 in 2 of the top 60 universities in the UK, but its business growth is not only within the higher education sector. The need to retain and provide access to large volumes of data for many years to come is also paramount in other sectors too, such as Healthcare, Life Sciences, and Digital Heritage.

For more information, visit www.arkivum.com (http://www.arkivum.com)

About the University of Westminster

The University of Westminster boasts a vibrant learning environment attracting more than 20,000 students from over 150 nations and we continue to invest in our future with new developments, research projects and new ideas.

We offer highly attractive practice-based courses that are independently rated as excellent, many with international recognition. Our distinguished 175-year history has meant we lead the way in many areas of research, particularly politics, media, art and design, architecture and biomedical sciences, and our position in the city of London allows us to continue to build on our close connections with leading figures and organisations in these areas as well as in the worlds of business, information technology, politics and law.

Our commitment to educating graduates for the needs of professional life attracts high quality students from within the UK and around the globe.

Internationalisation, employability and sustainability are key elements in the University of Westminster's vision for the future and we strive to ensure the very highest standards are met and maintained.

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