Portico Identifier Usage and Naming Policy

1. Policy Statement

1.1. Identifiers created by Portico

- It is Portico’s policy to use a digital object identification scheme that can uniquely identify objects of different types and at different levels of granularity, and which will create a stable name or reference to an object that can be permanently associated with that object, regardless of future changes to organizational structures or to digital object access protocols.
  - This is in conformance with the requirement that an OAIS-compliant repository maintain “Reference” information as part of the ”Preservation Description Information.”
  - This Reference information “provides one or more identifiers, or systems of identifiers, by which the Content Information may be uniquely identified. Examples include an ISBN number for a book, or a set of attributes that distinguish one instance of Content Information from another.”
  - Portico uses the Archival Resource Key (ARK) naming scheme for Portico-generated identifiers.
  - Portico uses the NOID software tool to generate ARK identifiers.
  - The Name Assigning Authority Number for Portico is “27972.”

- Please see the References section for links to an overview of the Archival Resource Key naming scheme, the specification for that scheme, and a description of the NOID application.

1.2. Identifiers created by Content Providers

- As Portico preserves all original source files, any content provider identifiers are preserved in those files. In addition, upon migration, Portico will preserve content provider identifiers in the transformed file as well. Many of these content provider identifiers will also be copied to the Portico preservation metadata file for continuity and to aid in discoverability.

2. Implementation Examples

2.1. Objects for which identifiers are created by Portico:

- The archival unit itself
- The content unit for different versions of the archival unit
- Functional units comprising the archival unit
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- Storage units comprising the functional units
- Metadata unit associated with the archival unit
- Metadata records associated with the archival unit, including both extracted and curated metadata, technical metadata, and metadata about events associated with the processing of the archival unit over its lifecycle

2.2. Objects for which identifiers are provided by content providers:

- E-journal Content (Please see the Portico JATS DTD documentation for definition of and Portico usage policy for these elements)
  - ISSN
  - ISBN
  - Journal identifier
  - Volume identifier
  - Publication identifier for a cited publication (e.g., DOI)
  - Issue Identifier
  - Article Identifier
  - Identifiers used to provide internal linkage and cross-reference among elements in a single E-journal content unit
  - External link information (Note that Portico only guarantees resolution of external links if these links are to items maintained in the Portico archive. For such items the link address will begin with the Archival Resource Key label (“ark:/”) followed by the Name Assigning Authority Number for Portico (“27972/”). For any other publisher-supplied link string, Portico makes no claim either to the existence of the object, its validity, or the validity of the syntax of the reference string.)

- E-book Content (Please see the Portico BITS DTD documentation for definition of and Portico usage policy for these elements)
  - ISSN
  - ISBN
  - Book identifier
  - Journal identifier
  - Volume identifier
  - Publication identifier for a cited publication (e.g., DOI)
  - Issue Identifier
  - Article Identifier
3. References


3.2. About ARKS - ARK Alliance https://arks.org/about/ accessed 2023.02.10


3.4. NOID-0.424 - nice opaque identifier generator commands https://metacpan.org/dist/Noid/view/noid accessed 2023.02.10

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