

Exploring E-portfolios

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What is an eportfolio?

- “An electronic portfolio, also known as an e-portfolio or digital portfolio, is a collection of electronic evidence assembled and managed by a user, usually on the Web. Such electronic evidence may include inputted text, electronic files, images, multimedia, blog entries, and hyperlinks”.

en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Electronic_portfolio

Types of e-portfolios

- developmental (working),
- reflective (learning)
- representational (showcase).

Usage

- Schools
- Tertiary education
- Continuing professional development
- Job applications
- Assessment
- Accreditation
- Recognition of prior learning

Examples & Evidence

- **Tool :** www.foliospaces.com
- **Example:**
<http://www.foliospaces.com/view/view.php?id=1582> is an example from FolioSpaces
- **Video:**
<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=6B3tujXlbdk>
- **Article:** [EDUCAUSE Learning Initiative: An Overview of e-portfolios \(2005\)](#)

A Case Study from the Hinterlands

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- how it evolved
- what we are doing
- why we are undertaking this
- feedback from a researcher
- where to from here?

MePrints

Just another ECS Blogs weblog

- [MEPrints the begining](#)
- April 20th, 2009 by pm5
- All About MEPrints is a JISC rapid innovations project to build a profile system for the EPrints software. The aim is that a user in the repository will have a page which promotes their identity within the repository. It is hoped this will improve user - repository relations and also provide useful information for user - user interactions.

The Tale So Far


- 2008 - implemented ePrints repository software to enormous acclaim
- 2010 - testing MePrints, enormous acclaim still to come
- The testing question will be “What do you want from an e-Portfolio?”

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Feedback from a Hinterlands researcher

- Possibly did not have the full version as the profile edit button was missing from the screen. As an e-portfolio product, MePrints does exactly what is required of it – a space to store and comment on artifacts, move objects in and out, rearrange to provide context, with the ability to set up RSS feeds and to add widgets as required. It does not have the additional capacity that some portfolio software, such as Exabis or Mahara have, of allowing a more social space for invited access, but this is not a necessary feature of an e-portfolio system and is probably done better elsewhere, e.g. FaceBook.
- “However, MePrints does what a "research portfolio" requires (i.e. allows me to display (both by recent and most accessed) my research outputs.”

Aspects for consideration

- What do you want from an e-portfolio – private research development space, shared space with other researchers, public space, social space
- What software to use – open source (MePrints, Exabis), proprietary (Mahara)


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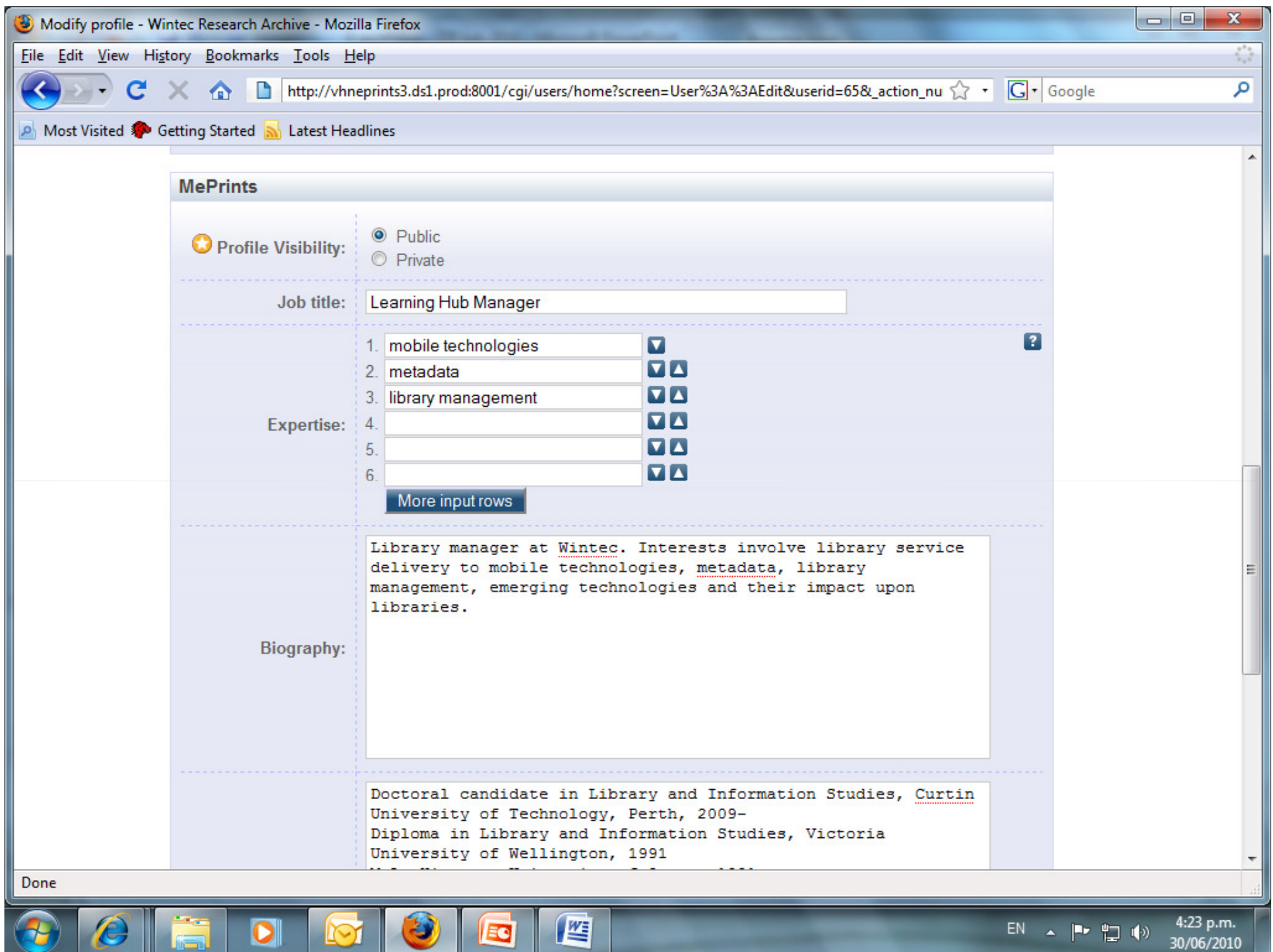
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Whither?

- Promotion across the Hinterland research community
- Demonstration and feedback received
- Customisation undertaken?
- Look at other products, e.g. Greenstone, Mahara