

# Once upon a time in a library... ...was born a PID

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**NETWORK**

**8 000 contributors from France, Switzerland and Belgium**

Dedicated training, helpdesk, listserv and collaborative curation projects



**4.6 million person records**

**0.4 million organisation records**

Metadata schema following international standards

**DATA**

**2024**

**Abes** appointed by the French **HER Ministry** to participate in a national registry for research organisations



Weekly automated routine to align **ORCID** and **IdRef** via data dump and APIs

**2024**

**2022**

**Liège University** (Belgium) joins **IdRef**



Massive matching **IdRef-ROR**

**2023**

**2021**

**Cairn** (HSS publisher) joins **IdRef**



**data.idref.fr** (RDF triple store connecting multiple sources thanks to matching with external IDs)



**paprika.idref.fr** (data curation interface with IA features)

**2019**

**2020**

**RERO+, Renouvaud, SLSP** (Switzerland) join **IdRef**



**2017**

**IdRef** as person PID in the French research portal **ScanR**



**Persée** (digitization platform) joins **IdRef**



**IdRef v2** : display of all documents linked in **theses.fr** and **Calames**



Start of massive reconciliation process with national OA repository (**HAL**)

**2017**

**2016**

Memorandum of understanding with **ORCID**



**ORCID** data dump loaded for the first time

**2016**

**2010**

**IdRef** was created as an authority file shared by the **Sudoc**, the national **PhD thesis portal**, and the database for archives and manuscripts **Calames**. It describes people, organisations, places and subject headings.



**IdRef** integrated in **VIAF**

**2012**



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