# ARCHIVES LEGISLATION IN THE NETHERLANDS

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## **DIGITAL SOCIETY**

- Freedom of acces to information
- Preservation of data and records
- Authenticity (deep fake)

#### **DUTCH ARCHIVES LAW 1995**

- New design in 2020, new law in 2023
- What's new? Modernization, adjustment, not a revolution

## KVAN, A NEW INFORMATION LAW

• Integration of several interests in different laws in to a new Information Law

- Acces to information (WOB, WOO, Archives Law)
- Privacy (GDPR)
- Security (BIO)

## KVAN, A NEW INFORMATION LAW

- First phase; integration of information policy within government structures
- Cooperation between the Archivist, the CIO, security officers, information commissionars and privacy commissionars

#### THE NEW ARCHIVES LAW 2021

- Text is adjusted to digital society and modernized
- New transfer period; 10 years
- Restrictions in accessibility must be motivated by government agencies
- Government agencies are obliged to appoint an archivist in the organization
- There is no obligation anymore about a diploma/certificate
- For some organization an exemption is made about transfering there records

#### **ALL-IN-ALL**

- Old concepts have not changed (transfer, authenticity, appraisal, accessibility)
- No new answers to the modern challenges in record keeping (common grounds, datadriven business, duplication of information, platform technologies, authenticity and durability)
- Most important is 10 years transer period!

