The Group will share experiences and expertise in institutions looking to adopt Hydra. Economics have got together with three institutional digital repositories, image / media repositories, and those managing archives and special collections. Repository administration solutions enhance back-end workflows.

*** Hydra UK Group formed ***

The University of Hull and London School of Economics have got together with three institutions looking to adopt Hydra:

- University of York
- University of Durham
- Lancaster University

The Group will share experiences and expertise, as well as work together on joint projects that require a UK-based solution.

How is Hydra being used in Europe?

The University of Hull

The Royal Library in Denmark is using Hydra to build its new digital library infrastructure. Digital objects from various sources enter a Hydra repository for digital curation/archiving, whilst another is used to manage dissemination. Public access will be through a number of tailored applications over this Hydra head. Long-term preservation is in a secure bit repository.

Future developments:
- Support for multiple object types and metadata formats.
- To be opened at the end of 2014!

Take a look: http://hydra.hull.ac.uk

Trinity College Dublin

Trinity College, Dublin is the technical lead for the Digital Repository of Ireland and is using Hydra to build the ingest, browse and search components for this. DRI will house the cultural, humanities and social science outputs of universities, libraries, galleries and other heritage institutions.

Features include use of the Europe-wide EDUCATE federation, a distributed preservation layer and support for a wide variety of metadata standards and object types.

For further details visit http://www.dri.ie

Take a look: http://digital.library.lse.ac.uk/

The London School of Economics has used Hydra to build its Digital Library. It contains a wide variety of material including digitised versions of significant LSE archival holdings such as the diaries of Beatrice Webb and the recently acquired Women’s Library.

Future plans include:
- Widen the collection scope to include more born digital material, and integrating LSE’s institutional repositories.

Take a look: http://collections.cdmae.cat

The Royal Library of Denmark

Hydra is a free and open source software, available under the Apache 2 license.

Hydra - 25 global partners

Three partners in Europe

- Stanford
- Hull
- Virginia
- DuraSpace
- Medialintel
- Norte Dame
- Northwestern
- Columbia
- Penn State
- Indiana
- London School of Economics
- Rock and Roll Hall of Fame Data Curation Experts

One of the main goals to the Theatre Institute of Barcelona is preserve and promote collections of objects and documents related to the performing arts.

Hydra Europe Symposium

Held in Dublin, 7-8 April 2014

Presentations at:
http://wiki.duraspace.org/display/hydra/
European+Hydra+meetings+and+web+events

Look out for web events in during 2014-15