

DSpace Steering Group

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The [DSpace Steering Group](#) is the primary decision-making body of the DSpace Program. It sets the strategic direction of the program, with advice and consent of the Leadership Group. It provides on-going program oversight and ensures that the priorities of the Leadership Group and members are met.

Steering Group members are elected and empowered by the Leadership. Their responsibilities include:

- Operational oversight, including time-sensitive decision-making
- Development of strategic priorities, for approval by Leadership
- Recommendations for budget allocations, for approval by Leadership
- Assistance with fundraising
- Commissioning of and liaising with working groups
- Agenda-setting for quarterly Leadership Meetings

Composition of the Steering Group

- The Steering Group is composed of 10 members (9 elected voting members, plus a permanent ex-officio Lyrasis seat).
- Elected Steering Group members serve for three-year, renewable terms.
- Steering Group members are elected by the Leadership, but can be from outside of the Leadership Group. If a Steering Group member is not also on the Leadership Group, they may still attend Leadership meetings in a non-voting capacity.

Meetings

- The Steering Group meets monthly.
- Steering Group meeting notes are shared with Leadership Group members but not made publicly available. (Meeting notes here: [DSpace Steering Home](#))
- The Steering Group communicates decisions within 2 days of a meeting to the Leadership Group to ensure transparent communication. Any Leader or Steerer can call an emergency meeting of the Leadership Group on these decisions.

2023/2024 DSpace Steering Group Members

Members are listed in alphabetical order by their surname.

DSpace Steering Group Members		
Laurie Gemmill Arp (ex-officio*)	Senior Director, Community Supported Technologies and Hosting Services	Lyrasis
Pascal-Nicolas Becker (2022-2025)	CEO, Founder	The Library Code
Lieven Droogmans (2021-2024)	CEO	Atmire
Scott Hanrath (2023-2026)	Associate Dean	University of Kansas
Erica Johns (2023-2026) (Vice Chair, 2023-2024)	Lead Librarian for the eCommons Institutional Repository Service	Cornell University Library
Agustina Martinez (2022-2025)	Open Research Systems Manager	University of Cambridge
Erik Moore (2021-2024)	Head, University Archives & Co-Director, University Digital Conservancy	University of Minnesota
Susanna Mornati (4Science) (2021-2024)	COO, CCO, Business Strategist, Business Technologist	4Science
Kristi Park (2023-2026)	Executive Director	Texas Digital Library
Maureen Walsh (2023-2025) (Chair, 2023-2025)	Scholarly Sharing Strategist	The Ohio State University

*Representative for permanent ex-officio, non-voting Lyrasis seat.