

SPARC DSpace User Group Meeting 2012

The [DSpace Community Advisory Team](#), the [DuraSpace](#) organization and [@mire](#), a DSpace Registered Service Provider, invite all DSpace enthusiasts to a half day DSpace user group meeting immediately following the [SPARC 2012 Open Access Meeting](#). The meeting will feature presentations on DSpace update, tutorials and community presentations/networking.

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Please note that only coffee and tea will be provided for the meeting. Attendees are on their own for both breakfast and lunch.

Meeting Notes

Some meeting notes are available at <http://titanpad.com/sparc-dspace>.

Location and Time

The meeting will be held in same hotel as the 2012 SPARC Conference, the Intercontinental Hotel in Kansas City, on *Wednesday, March 14 from 8:30am until 1:00pm in Salon 3. *Please see the SPARC Conference site for information on hotel accommodations and other logistical info: <http://www.arl.org/sparc/meetings/oa12/index.shtml>.

Call for Proposals

We are currently seeking presentation proposals from members of the community with innovative DSpace projects at their institutions. Proposals should be sent to vhollister@duraspace.org by February 7. Acceptance notification will be sent by February 9.

Meeting Schedule

We still refining the agenda and recruiting presenters for the Community 24x7. This has traditionally been a fairly informal meeting with lots of opportunity for networking with other DSpace users. We highly recommend that if possible you plan to allow time after the session to go to lunch and continue small group conversations around specific areas of interest.

8.30-9.00: Welcome and Update on DuraSpace and DSpace by Valorie Hollister: [slides](#)

9.00-9.30: Tutorial on Batch Loading Workflows for DSpace by Maureen Walsh, Metadata Librarian/Assistant Professor from The Ohio State University Libraries

In this presentation, Maureen will discuss the workflows and methods for the automated re-purposing of metadata for batch import into DSpace (including the repurposing of MARC metadata, embedded image metadata, and printed text metadata). She will also provide an overview of two methods (Perl scripts and the Simple Archive Format Packager developed at Ohio State) of building the simple archive format for DSpace item importing. [slides](#)

9.30-10.00: Community Involvement and DSpace Innovation by Bram Luyten & Mark Diggory (@mire) [slides](#)

10.00-10.15: BREAK

10.15-12.00: Community 24 x 7

- Strategic Planning by Hilde Colenbrander cIRcle Coordinator from the University of British Columbia Library: [slides](#)

- Enhancing item discoverability through personnel collaboration by Amy Lana from the University of Missouri: [slides](#)

- Gabriela Mircea from the University of Toronto Libraries: [slides](#)

- Stacy Konkiel from Indiana University Bloomington Libraries: [slides](#)

- Repository outreach/marketing efforts by Colleen Lyon from the University of Texas Austin: [slides](#)

- Media RSS Feeds feature (i.e. iTunes U) and the custom feature Ohio States uses for handling proxy licenses by Maureen Walsh from The Ohio State University Libraries: [Media RSS slides](#) / [Proxy slides](#)

- All attendees are encouraged to do a 24x7 -- see suggested topics below or just tell us about your current work with DSpace

12.00-1.00: Structured Networking (see below)

If you have specific suggestions for other content (presentations, tutorials, discussions, etc.) to include in the meeting please feel free to email me at vhollister@duraspace.org.

Community 24 x 7

24x7 presentations were a favorite at Open Repositories 2011 and generated a lot of discussion and information sharing. It is a version of the Pecha Kucha style presentations and is intended to provide as many people as possible an opportunity to share information about their projects/efforts/ideas. Presentations are limited to 7 minutes and no more than 24 slides. We strongly encourage all attendees to participate! Suggested topics include best (or worst) practices on the following topics:

- Budget: managing the repository budget and responding to user needs
- Strategic planning: developing a strategy and costing for future development of the repository
- Fundraising: sourcing funding opportunities for repository projects
- Personnel: coordinating and managing activities of repository personnel and coordinating repository development with associated departments
- Your projects/ideas.....

Structured Networking Session

This is a chance for you to hear from other members of the community and learn what they are working on. Depending on your travel plans, you are invited connect with other users to continue networking over lunch. Here are some possible questions to get the discussion going:

Are you putting a DSpace 1.8 upgrade on your roadmap? Why or why not?

What are your main organizational issues with your repository? (staff time available, boss doesn't want to fund it, researchers don't perceive the value, etc.)

What are your main technical issues with your repository ? (learning curve, staff availability/turnover, working on an older dspace version, etc.)

If there's one thing DuraSpace and/or the community could do for you, that would make YOUR life easier, what would it be?

Meeting Registration

The meeting is being sponsored by the DuraSpace organization and @mire, a Registered DSpace Service Provider. The event is free for anyone who wishes to participate. For planning purposes, please send an email with your name and institution to vhollister@duraspace.org March 1.

Meeting Crowdvine

A Crowdvine has been set up for anyone attending the DSpace user group meeting (or the SPARC meeting) in an effort to promote making connections. Here is the link: <http://sparc-dspace.crowdvine.com/posts>

Planning Committee

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