

DSpace Release 4.0 Status

Version 4.0

DSpace 4.0 was officially released to the public on December 16, 2013.

DSpace 4.0 can be downloaded immediately at either of the following locations:

- SourceForge (Zip): <https://sourceforge.net/projects/dspace/files/>
- GitHub: <https://github.com/DSpace/DSpace> (tag 'dspace-4.0')

See the [DSpace 4.x Release Notes](#) for more information.

Where are the Release Notes?

[DSpace 4.x Release Notes](#) have been incorporated into the DSpace 4.x documentation wiki. The content of that page, and this one, is similar, but it's not a perfect duplicate. This page is for coordinating and planning DSpace Release 4.0, and for communicating this status information to the community. The [DSpace 4.x Release Notes](#) page is a historical document, with much of the same material.

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New features in DSpace 4.0

DSpace 4.0 ships with a number of new features. Certain features are automatically enabled by default while others require deliberate activation. The following non-exhaustive list contains the major new features in 4.0 that are enabled by default:



Discovery: Search & Browse is now enabled by default in both XMLUI and JSPUI.

Note: The Lucene/DB-based search & browse backend is still supported, but is deprecated and might be removed in a future release. Any new features should use the Discovery API instead of tying directly to Lucene, Solr or Elastic Search.

- Discovery general enhancements
 - Solr libraries were upgraded to version 4.4 (JSPUI, XMLUI and OAI modules) - by lap
 - [Solr search accent insensitive](#) - by ab
 - Solr-based item counter - by im, ab
- Discovery UI enhancements (both JSPUI and XMLUI)
 - Query spell checking ("did you mean") - XMLUI by kv, JSPUI by lap, ab

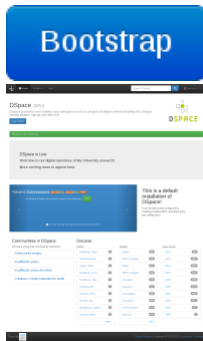
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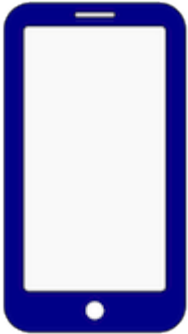
im - Ivan Masár

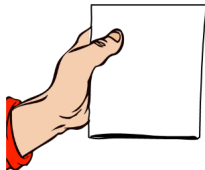


A new [Bootstrap](#)-based default look and feel for JSPUI (see [DS-1675](#) for screenshots)

Kindly contributed by Andrea Bollini & Luigi Andrea Pascarelli with the support of [CINECA](#)

	JSPUI new features • Bibliographic import and lookup in Submission, by CINECA and Greek National Documentation Centre/EKT • AJAX progress bar for file upload the submission upload step (DS-1639), by Andrea Bollini with the support of CINECA • Sherpa/Romeo integration in the submission upload step (DS-1633), by Andrea Bollini with the support of CINECA
	JSPUI porting of features previously available only on XMLUI • Advanced Embargo feature • Item level versioning feature • Curation tasks administrative UI • "Login as" feature Kindly contributed by Keiji Suzuki & Luigi Andrea Pascarelli with the support of CINECA
	UI support for metadata batch import from various bibliographic formats • Update to Biblio-Transformation-Engine 0.9.2.2 • Added data loader for OAI-PMH • New configuration format to support simultaneous input mappings from the various supported metadata formats • New interface for administrators in JSPUI (for file data loaders like bibtex, csv, tsv, endnote and ris) Kindly contributed by the Greek National Documentation Centre/EKT
blocked URL	SWORDv2 module update, which provides the following improvements: • some general bug fixes including: bitstream url construction, config options, context management and connection pool, ORIGINAL bundle problem (DS-1149) • proper METSDSpaceSIP support in both deposit and update • proper authentication for accessing actionable bitstreams (i.e. those that can be replaced via sword), tightened security options around mediated actions, and add extra security to the access of descriptive documents (deposit receipts, statements) • more configuration options: bundles to expose in Statements, DepositMO extensions (for individual files), and many more • some general refactoring • addition of 404 responses where necessary • better support for add/replace of metadata, and how metadata updates are handled on archived items • update to latest version of Java Server library • new bitstream formats in the bitstream registry Kindly contributed by Richard Jones with the support of Cottage Labs
blocked URL	Improved command line features • Run commands in batch • Display DSpace instance information including version and enabled modules (DS-1456) • Create users from command line (DS-1355) Kindly contributed by Mark H. Wood with the support of IUPUI University Library
	Support simple embargo in XMLUI item display and in AID import/export Unable to locate Jira server for this macro. It may be due to Application Link configuration. Unable to locate Jira server for this macro. It may be due to Application Link configuration. Kindly contributed by Nan Masar and Perry Brady with the support of Georgetown University
	Language switch for xmlui and some basic idp stuff Unable to locate Jira server for this macro. It may be due to Application Link configuration. Kindly contributed by Ciara da Sagen with the support of U. Dortmund University
	Filtering of feeds based on statistics page request by the spiders to the BMC server on the spiders User-Agent string. Unable to locate Jira server for this macro. It may be due to Application Link configuration. Kindly contributed by Mark H. Wood with the support of IUPUI University Library

	Several improvements to help Google Scholar better index your content (requested by Google Scholar team). See also Search Engine Optimization recommendations for ways to further enhance Google Scholar (and other search engines) findability. Unable to locate Jira server for this macro. It may be due to Application Link configuration. Unable to locate Jira server for this macro. It may be due to Application Link configuration. Unable to locate Jira server for this macro. It may be due to Application Link configuration. Kindly contributed by several members of the DSpace committer team (see individual tickets for more details).
The following list contains all features that are included in the DSpace 4.0 release, but need to be enabled manually. Review the documentation for these features carefully, especially if you are upgrading from an older version of DSpace.	
	DOI Support - Support for minting new DOIs - Support for the DataCite and EZID DOI providers link configuration. Unable to locate Jira server for this macro. It may be due to Application Link configuration. Kindly contributed by Pascal Nicolas Becker & Mark Wood with the support of TU Berlin and IUPUI University Library
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	Mobile Theme for XMLUI matures from beta (DS-1679) - New feature: Documentation Kindly contributed by Elias Tzoc and James Russell with the support of Miami University
	Improvements to LDAP Authentication New option to map LDAP attribute-based group membership to internal DSpace groups Kindly contributed by Ivan Masár and Sam Ottenhoff of Longsight for Allegheny College (DS-1078).
	Unable to locate Jira server for this macro. It may be due to Application Link configuration. Kindly contributed by Jason Sherman with the support of University of Science and Arts of Oklahoma
	Unable to locate Jira server for this macro. It may be due to Application Link configuration. Kindly contributed by Richard Rodgers with the support of Massachusetts Institute of Technology

	Request a Copy for JSPUI and XMLUI (DS-824) For items with restricted access, allows users to ask the original author for a copy of the item Original contribution of Adán Román Ruiz (Arvo Consultores). JSPUI version adapted from the Universidade do Minho. XMLUI version funded by Instituto Oceanográfico de España. Additional improvements/bug fixes by Andrea Bollini (CINECA).
blocked URL 	A new REST web service API module based on Jersey (a JAX RS 1.0 implementation) (DS-1696) Provides: - Read-only access to unrestricted communities, collections, items and bitstreams - Handle lookup - JSON (and XML) output formats Kindly contributed by Peter Dietz with the support of Ohio State University Libraries

More Information

 Additional information about DSpace 4.0 may be found in the [4.0 Documentation](#).

A full list of all changes / bug fixes in 4.0 is available in the [History](#) section of the 4.0 Documentation.

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Possible JIRA tickets to resolve (automated list)

This is the list of JIRA tickets ("New Features" and Improvements) currently scheduled for 4.0. **There is no guarantee they will all be completed in time for 4.0 release, and tickets may be dropped/added to the list at any time.** But, if you'd like to volunteer to help with one, please let us know by attaching a comment to the ticket in question.

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Changes

The following changes have already been made to the codebase and will be released in 4.0. Please note that the below listing is dynamically generated, so it will be changing as we continue to add new features, improvements and bug fixes to the 4.0 release.

New Features in 4.0

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General Improvements in 4.0

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Bug Fixes in 4.0

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Organizational Details

Release Coordination

Instead of a single "Release Coordinator", the DSpace 4.0 release will be managed by a "Release Team".

Release Team Leader

- [Mark H. Wood](#)

Release Team Members

- [Hardy Pottinger](#)
- [Mark H. Wood](#)
- [Andrea Bollini \(4Science\)](#)

Timeline and Processing

Date	Milestone	What it means
October 07	Deadline for feature pull requests	If you wish to contribute features to DSpace 4.0, you must submit a pull request by this date.
October 09	Weekly developers' meeting devoted to review of feature pull requests for 4.0	The entire hour's meeting will be used to discuss proposed features submitted by the deadline.
October 16	Weekly developers' meeting devoted to review of feature pull requests for 4.0	The entire hour's meeting will be used to discuss proposed features submitted by the deadline.
October 21	Feature freeze	DSpace 4.0 is considered feature-complete on this date. Only bugfixes will be pulled between this date and final release.
October 21	Release Candidate 1 tagged	A DSpace 4.0 Release Candidate will be available for wider testing.
November 04-15	Testathon	Intensive public testing of the RC is invited. The Release Team will focus on getting problems resolved.
December 03	Release Candidate 2 tagged	An updated DSpace 4.0 Release Candidate will be available for wider testing.
December 05-06	Release Candidate 3 tagged	If necessary, an updated DSpace 4.0 Release Candidate will be available for wider testing.

December 13 or 16	DSpace 4.0 release tagged	DSpace 4.0 is released for general use.
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Release Process needs to proceed according to the following Maven release process: [Release Procedure](#)

Contribute to DSpace

On October 21st, the window for contributing **new functionality** to the DSpace 4 release formally closed. Bugfixes are currently still considered.

Any contribution is always welcome! Contributions of new functionality will be considered for future releases of DSpace. Code and documentation need not be finished, so long as it is working and we can all see what it is for. Time is set aside for fixing, polishing, and integration. General [Code Contribution Guidelines](#) are available. Anyone is welcome to ask questions on the [dspace-devel mailing list](#).

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