2015 - 2016 Technical Priorities

Although there are various community-driven developments in the Fedora ecosystem, this document describes the roughly 12-month technical focus of the core repository platform.

Technical Priorities

Formalize the core Fedora services Application Programming Interface (API)
This priority is to clearly define the core services that Fedora promises as a standards-based RESTful API, accompany this API with any
necessary domain-specific ontologies, and provide a Technology Compatibility Kit (TCK) for each service.

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The Fedora services are:

- a. Create/Read/Update/Delete on repository resources
 - i. Standard: Linked Data Platform
 - ii. Include Import and Export of RDF, and option for RDF serialization to disk

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- 2. Formalize the core Fedora Service Provider Interfaces (SPIs) a. Eventing SPI
- i. Defining the interface that a Fedora repository implementation should implement to publish repository events 3. Runtime configurability
 - a. Enable the update of configuration settings at runtime, e.g. changing hostname published in repository events
 - b. Enable pluggability of extension modules, e.g. adding an OAI-PMH module at runtime

- 4. Performance and Scale

 a. Establish metrics for repository limits, including:
 i. number of resources
 ii. number of bytes
 iii. See: Performance and Scalability Test Plans

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b. Establish	guideline	es for sto	orage options b	based on usag	e patterns							

Note: Items 1 and 2 define priorities related to "Fedora as a specification", whereas Items 3 and 4 relate to "Fedora as a reference implementation".