

# Member Newsletter, outline/content, March 2017

**DuraSpace Membership Newsletter**  
**March 21**

## MESSAGE FROM THE CEO

This month I am pleased to welcome new DuraSpace Board members Kaithlin Thaney and Wolfram Horstmann.

Ms. Thaney is an open advocate and Senior Fellow at Mozilla. Most recently she served as the Director of Mozilla Leadership Networks at the Mozilla Foundation, overseeing community-based programs in science, learning, advocacy, Internet of Things, and women and web literacy. She also founded and directed Mozilla's first science program—the Mozilla Science Lab—empowering thousands of researchers, developers, and librarians to collaborate through fellowships, open source, and project-based learning.

Dr. Horstmann is the University Librarian at Georg-August-Universität Göttingen, Bielefeld University. Previously he was the Associate Director for Digital Library Programmes and IT at The Bodleian Library, University of Oxford. His research interests include issues related to management of and access to research data in university libraries.

We were gratified to receive more than 120 applications for the DuraSpace Business Development Manager position. Interviews are underway for the person who will cultivate and deepen relationships and partnerships to elevate our organization's profile, and to expand the services it offers. I look forward to introducing the new Business Development Manager soon.

The 2017 Membership Campaign kicks off in April. As current members you will be emailed information prior to your renewal date. We value and appreciate your continued financial support, which is critical to advance the DSpace, Fedora, and VIVO open source software projects. While DuraSpace proudly provides these applications for free for anyone to use, our projects rely on your membership dollars to pay for the staff who provide technical leadership, direct strategic planning, organize community outreach, and coordinate timely software releases.

Warm regards,

Debra Hanken Kurtz

CEO

## DURASPACE MEMBER SUMMIT

### DuraSpace Member Summit, April 4-5, 2017

We are looking forward to seeing you soon at the 2017 DuraSpace Member Summit will be held on April 3-4 directly following the [CNI Spring 2017 Meeting](#) to be held the Hyatt Regency in Albuquerque, New Mexico.

## PROJECTS

### FEDORA

#### Focus on Fedora Contributors, Museums and the Web Workshop

The first article in the monthly Fedora Repository Contributor Profile series [highlights new contributor Danny Bernstein's interests and accomplishments](#). His current focus is on core Fedora performance issues particularly as they relate to development of the new Hyku repository. [Read more here](#).

[Museums and the Web](#) will be hosted in Cleveland, OH from April 19-22. The conference features advanced research and exemplary applications of digital practice for cultural, natural and scientific heritage. This year's conference includes a [workshop on Hydra-in-a-box for museums](#) led by David Wilcox and Stefano Cossu. Workshop seats are limited so please [register in advance](#).

### DSPACE

#### Face-to-Face with DSpace 7, DSpace 7 Webinar Recordings

DSpace community members will be attending conferences and meetings this spring where DSpace 7 UI development will be discussed. If you will be attending as well please reach out to them, "ask about DSpace 7," and find out how to get involved with community efforts around the development of DSpace 7. [Read more here](#).

DuraSpace concluded its latest Hot Topics Webinar Series, "Introducing DSpace 7: Next Generation UI." Curated by Claire Knowles, Library Digital Development Manager, The University of Edinburgh, this three-part series began by showcasing the efforts of the team behind the next generation UI for DSpace highlighting aspects of DSpace 7 development. Presentation slides and webinar recordings are available here: <http://duraspace.org/hot-topics>.

### VIVO

#### VIVO 2017 Conference Speakers Added—Submission Deadline Extended,

The deadline for presentation abstracts, workshops, posters and demos for the 8th Annual VIVO Conference has been extended until [. Submit your proposal now!](#)

David Eichmann, Director and Associate Professor in the School of Library Science at the University of Iowa and Rebecca Bryant, Senior Program Officer at OCLC Research will be presenting plenary talks at the 8th International VIVO Conference. Learn more about them at the [conference website](#).

## SERVICES

We are pleased to welcome new DSpaceDirect customer [Ashesi University College](#) and new DuraCloud customer [Colorado College](#).

[ArchivesDirect](#), [DSpaceDirect](#), and [DuraCloud](#) services from DuraSpace are built on solid open source software platforms and require very little effort to start up. DuraSpace staff experts work directly with service customers to provide personalized on-boarding processes and superb customer support. Our services can provide open access to institutional resources, preservation of treasured collections, and simplified data management tools. Contact [customer support@duraspace.org](mailto:customer.support@duraspace.org) to learn more about any of the web services DuraSpace offers.

## WHERE WE'LL BE (please update)

**CNI Spring Membership Meeting**, April 3-4, 2017, Debra Hanken Kurtz, David Wilcox, Andrew Woods

**DuraSpace Member Summit**, April 4-5, 2017 (Following CNI), All DuraSpace staff members

**DPLAfest**, April 20-21, Heather Greer Klein