

Washington D.C. Area Fedora User Group Meeting: 3-4 October 2017

The Washington D.C. Area Fedora Users Group meets twice annually to share project updates, exchange ideas, and collaborate on Fedora-related activities. The meetings are open to anyone who would like to attend. Please [join the mailing list](#) for updates.

When

3-4 October 2017
10am-4pm (both days)

Where

NASA Goddard Space Flight Center
8800 Greenbelt Rd
Greenbelt, MD 20771

Registration

To attend the meeting, please complete [the meeting registration form](#). Due to stringent security requirements at NASA Goddard, only pre-screened participants will be able to attend the meeting. Please complete the form no later than 5pm on Monday, September 18 to allow sufficient time for the pre-screening.

Travel/Logistics



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Meals and Refreshments

Please get in touch if your institution is interested in sponsoring some.

Attendees

Day 1 (Oct. 3)

Day 2 (Oct. 4)

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Joshua Westgard (University of Maryland) • Doron Shalvi (NLM) • Jennifer Diffin (NLM) • John Rees (National Library of Medicine) • Kelly Quinn (NLM) • Lindsay Franz (NLM) • Yanru Bi (NLM) • Calvin Xu (NLM) • Steve Liu (NLM) • Nancy Fallgren (NLM) • Ben Wallberg (University of Maryland) • Chuck Schoppet (National Agricultural Library) • Mohamed Abdul Rasheed (University of Maryland) • Adrienne Hieb (NASA Goddard Library) • Matt Pearson (NASA Goddard Library) • Mitchell Shelton (NASA Goddard Library) • (add your name here if you plan to attend) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Joshua Westgard (University of Maryland) • John Rees ? (NLM) • Kelly Quinn (NLM) • Doron Shalvi (NLM) • Yanru Bi (NLM) • TA Nguyen (NLM) • Calvin Xu (NLM) • Steve Liu (NLM) • Nancy Fallgren (NLM) • Mohamed Abdul Rasheed (University of Maryland) • Adrienne Hieb (NASA Goddard Library) • Matt Pearson (NASA Goddard Library) • Mitchell Shelton (NASA Goddard Library) • (add your name here if you plan to attend)
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Agenda/Presentations

Day 1 (Oct. 3)

The first day will feature presentations and project updates from Fedora community members. Please feel free to add your name if you are interested in giving a presentation at the meeting. You may also add topics of group discussion. Please just choose an available time slot or subdivide a time slot if you want to propose a shorter presentation, but note that the details of the schedule are all subject to change.

Time	Topic	Presenter
10:00 - 10:30	Welcome coffee and introductions	All
10:30 - 11:00	Institutional updates round (One person from each institution in attendance will be asked to give a short overview of work going on at their institution, particularly work not covered in longer presentations.)	All
11:00 - 11:30	Master storage in AWS Glacier	Doron Shalvi, Calvin Xu
11:30 - 12:00	NASA Goddard Library migration update	Adrienne Hieb, Matt Pearson, Mitchell Shelton
12:00 - 1:30	Lunch	
1:30 - 2:00	API Alignment Sprint Update	Joshua Westgard
2:00 - 2:30	Maryland Student Newspapers Demo	Ben Wallberg
2:30 - 2:45	Break	
2:45 - 3:15	A Python-based bulkload client for the Fedora REST API: Some techniques, best practices, and lessons learned. umd-lib/newspaper-batchloader on GitHub	Joshua Westgard
3:15 - 3:45	OCR Text as Web Annotations	Peter Eichman
3:45 - 4:00	Wrap up & discussion	All

Day 2 (Oct. 4)

The second day will be a workshop.

Time	Topic	Facilitator(s)
10:00 - 10:15	Welcome & coffee	All
10:15 - 12:00	Demos/Discussion: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Content Modeling ▪ Import/Export 	John Rees Joshua Westgard
12:00 - 1:00	Lunch	
1:00 - 2:45	Tour of Goddard Facilities	Matthew Pearson
2:45 - 3:00	Break/Transition	
3:00 - 4:00	Wrap-up Roundtable	All

Takeaways and Action Items

- Concerns were raised about the way the current implementation exposes the path to files as the RDF subject rather than an opaque identifier-based URI. It was agreed that the follow-up conversation should be brought to the wider community.
- Future meetings will be organized by a committee, initially consisting of representatives from the four institutions in attendance at this meeting (NLM, NASA, NAL, UMD).
- Goals for future meetings are to further expand the active participation of local LAM institutions who are either using or interested in Fedora.
- Some ideas for future meeting programs:
 - Training/workshops on specific related technologies, such as Samvera, Islandora, IIf, etc.
 - Perhaps a "Fedora 101" training would be useful for attracting non-users interested in exploring what Fedora is
 - Explore aligning FUG meetings with other local meetings as a way to increase attendance (CNI?)
 - Try to advertise more thoroughly and widely
 - Explore connecting with other FUGs (either a nationwide "virtual connect" type meeting, or perhaps a physical meetup with the Mid-Atlantic FUG – possibly with Baltimore as the meeting place)
 - The presence of a Duraspace rep at the meeting is desirable and should be maintained if possible going forward.
- We should look to create a presence for Fedora and the FUG at the upcoming C4L in Washington – though it is probably too late to get formally on the program, we should seek out ways to create some presence for the FUG there.