

# 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"> <li>• <a href="#">Joshua Westgard</a> (University of Maryland)</li> <li>• <a href="#">Doron Shalvi</a> (NLM)</li> <li>• <a href="#">Jennifer Diffin</a> (NLM)</li> <li>• <a href="#">John Rees</a> (National Library of Medicine)</li> <li>• <a href="#">Kelly Quinn</a> (NLM)</li> <li>• <a href="#">Linday Franz</a> (NLM)</li> <li>• <a href="#">Yanru Bi</a> (NLM)</li> <li>• <a href="#">Calvin Xu</a> (NLM)</li> <li>• <a href="#">Steve Liu</a> (NLM)</li> <li>• <a href="#">Nancy Fallgren</a> (NLM)</li> <li>• <a href="#">Ben Wallberg</a> (University of Maryland)</li> <li>• <a href="#">Chuck Schoppet</a> (National Agricultural Library)</li> <li>• <a href="#">Mohamed Abdul Rasheed</a> (University of Maryland)</li> <li>• <a href="#">Adrienne Hieb</a> (NASA Goddard Library)</li> <li>• <a href="#">Matt Pearson</a> (NASA Goddard Library)</li> <li>• <a href="#">Mitchell Shelton</a> (NASA Goddard Library)</li> <li>• (add your name here if you plan to attend)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <a href="#">Joshua Westgard</a> (University of Maryland)</li> <li>• <a href="#">John Rees</a> ? (NLM)</li> <li>• <a href="#">Kelly Quinn</a> (NLM)</li> <li>• <a href="#">Doron Shalvi</a> (NLM)</li> <li>• <a href="#">Yanru Bi</a> (NLM)</li> <li>• <a href="#">TA Nguyen</a> (NLM)</li> <li>• <a href="#">Calvin Xu</a> (NLM)</li> <li>• <a href="#">Steve Liu</a> (NLM)</li> <li>• <a href="#">Nancy Fallgren</a> (NLM)</li> <li>• <a href="#">Mohamed Abdul Rasheed</a> (University of Maryland)</li> <li>• <a href="#">Adrienne Hieb</a> (NASA Goddard Library)</li> <li>• <a href="#">Matt Pearson</a> (NASA Goddard Library)</li> <li>• <a href="#">Mitchell Shelton</a> (NASA Goddard Library)</li> <li>• (add your name here if you plan to attend)</li> </ul>
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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	<a href="#">Maryland Student Newspapers Demo</a>	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. <a href="#">umd-lib/newspaper-batchloader on GitHub</a>	Joshua Westgard
3:15 - 3:45	<a href="#">OCR Text as Web Annotations</a>	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"> <li>Content Modeling</li> <li>Import/Export</li> </ul>	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, IIIf, 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.