DSpace Community

Virtual Community Call for South African DSpace Users

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About us

- 80 years of history
- Non-profit
- Community focused
- 2000+ members
- Open Source communities
- Open Access initiatives
Benefits of Open Source Software

- Software and Community Dev
- Built by, for and with communities
- Identify with common needs
- Affordable
The most widely adopted repository
Global Community
Continuous evolution
DSpace is... its Community

What we know: +2500 installations in 122 different countries

*Based on the DuraSpace Registry
...its members

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...its service providers
DSpace numbers

**DSpace Installations by Region**

- **North America, 13%**
- **Eurasia, 9%**
- **Middle East, 2%**
- **Latin America, 20%**
- **Africa, 7%**
- **Asia, 22%**
- **Europe, 25%**

**DSpace Membership**

- **Australia, 3**
- **Canada, 9**
- **Denmark, 1**
- **Finland, 1**
- **Hong Kong, 1**
- **Italy, 1**
- **Netherlands, 2**
- **New Zealand, 1**
- **Norway, 1**
- **Peru, 1**
- **Portugal, 1**
- **Qatar, 1**
- **Sweden, 2**
- **Switzerland, 1**
- **Belgium, 1**
- **UK, 5**
- **USA, 29**

**South Africa**

Sum of number of records for each country. Color shows details about country. The marks are labeled by country. The view is filtered on country, which has multiple members selected.
**DSpace Governance**

**Leadership Group**
- Leaders are elected for 1 year
- Approving the annual budget allocation and any modifications
- Approving the Project roadmap
- Approving the strategic direction
- Nominating and electing Steering Group members
- Voting on key decisions presented by Steering Group
- Helping to raise funds and secure other resources on behalf of the project

**Steering Group**
- The Steering Group is composed by 9 Steerers elected from the Leaders
- Providing strategic direction to the Project
- Recommending annual budget allocations
- Presenting key decisions to the Leadership Group for discussion and approval
- Raising funds and securing other resources on behalf of the Project
- Overseeing project operations
The New Leadership Group (meeting once a month since August 2018)

20 Members – 10 Countries

Pascal-Nicolas Becker (The Library Code)
Allen Bell (University of British Columbia Library)
John Butler (University of Minnesota)
Suzanne Chase ((Georgetown University)
Lieven Droogmans (Atmire)
Federico Ferrario (Cineca)
Scott Hanrath (University of Kansas)
Barbara Hirschmann (ETH Zurich)
Jyrki Ilva (National Library of Finland)
Pierre Lasou (Université Laval)
Mariya Maistrovskaya (University of Toronto)
Agustina Martinez (University of Cambridge)
João Mendes Moreira (Foundation of Science and Technology)
Susanna Mornati (4Science)
César Olivares (CONCYTEC)
Jere Odell (Indiana University Purdue University Indiana)
Kristi Park (Texas Digital Library)
Beate Rajski (Hamburg University of Technology)
Gail Steinhart (Cornell University)
Maureen Walsh (The Ohio State University Libraries)
The New Steering Group (meeting once a month from September 2018)

9 Members – 8 Countries

Pascal-Nicolas Becker (The Library Code)
John Butler (University of Minnesota)
Lieven Droogmans (Atmire)
Jyrki Ilva (National Library of Finland)
Agustina Martinez (University of Cambridge)
João Mendes Moreira (FCT Portugal)
Susanna Mornati (4Science)
César Olivares (CONCYTEC)
Maureen Walsh (The Ohio State University Libraries)
19 Committers

Pascal-Nicolas BECKER - Technische Universität Berlin / The Library Code
Andrea BOLLINI - 4Science
Ben BOSMAN - Atmire
Terry BRADY - Georgetown University
Tom DESAIR - Atmire
Peter DIETZ - Longsight
Mark DIGGORY - Atmire
Tim DONOHUE - DuraSpace (Project Tech Lead)
Claudia JÜRGEN - University Library of Dortmund
Art LOWEL - Atmire
Bram LUYTEN - Atmire
Ivan MASÁR (aka helix84)
Luigi Andrea PASCARELLI - 4Science
Hardy POTTINGER - UCLA Library
Andrea SCHWEER - University of Waikato ITS
Kim SHEPHERD - http://shepherd.nz/
Robin TAYLOR - University of Edinburgh
Kevin VAN DE VELDE - Atmire
Mark WOOD - Indiana University-Purdue University Indianapolis
DSpace community engagement

National User Groups
Slack channel: #dspace-XX
UG WIKI pages
Mailing list
Country webinars
Partnerships

Working groups
DSpace 7 Working Group
DSpace 7 Entities Working Group
DSpace 7 Marketing Working Group
DSpace Community Advisory Team (DCAT)

Webinars, meetings and events
• DSpace Developer Show and Tell meetings
• OR2019: Workshops and sessions on DSpace 7:
  https://wiki.duraspace.org/display/DSPACE/DSpace+7+at+OR2019
• Meetings: https://wiki.duraspace.org/display/DSPACE/Meetings
• Community Sprints: https://wiki.duraspace.org/display/DSPACE/DSpace+7+Community+Sprints
• User Group meetings, national events
• Webinars in partnership with Google Scholar

DSpace Community Annual Report 2017-July 2018
A new WIKI space for the South African DSpace User Group

Welcome to the DSpace Wiki! Please sign up and participate.

Although a few pages are "locked" to prevent spamming, anyone who signs up and creates an account can freely edit most of the DSpace WIKI. If you've forgotten your password, please visit the reset your password page.

This space is thought to be easy for DSpace users in South Africa to share information about their activities, projects, events and ideas and to make them known to the global DSpace Community. In South Africa there are 47 installations and a vibrant community of users. This page and its sub-pages are the platform to coordinate the collaboration among Ugandan institutions in order to facilitate discussions on country specific themes and topics of interest.

1. Who is using DSpace in South Africa?

In the DSpace Registry there are information about the DSpace installations currently running in South Africa.

Please take a moment to look for your institution and check whether the information is correct. If your institution is missing, you can add it here: https://duraspace.org/registry/register-your-site/

2. How to communicate?

There are numerous ways to get in touch, both at a global level with the global DSpace Community and at the regional level.

2.1. Mailing Lists

General and global DSpace lists

Globally, there are several public mailing lists that you can join, depending on your particular interest.

# dspace-za

A new Slack Channel for instant messaging

# dspace-za

You created this channel today. This is the very beginning of the #dspace-za channel. Description: This channel is for the South African DSpace User Group to allow members of the group to easily share ideas, information, questions and best practices.
The road to DSpace 7

We’ve got a 2 UI problem!

2014
Product Survey & Vision Doc

2015
Strategic Plan & Technical Roadmap
We need a single, new UI

2016
UI Prototype Challenge & Angular 2 proof of concept
Angular 2!

2017
DSpace 6 released & DSpace 7 Working Group
Early demo of Browse UI

2018
DSpace Entities Working Group & Ongoing v7 development
What’s coming in DSpace 7

https://wiki.duraspace.org/display/DSPACE/Strategic+Planning
DSpace 7.0: what is it?

- Single, Angular UI
- Fully-featured REST API
- Configurable Entities (Working Group)
- Align with Next Generation Repository recommendations (ResourceSync and Signposting)
- Same backend from DSpace 6.x
DSpace 7 - Challenges

- $0 in grant funding

- All code designed / written / tested / reviewed by community volunteers (42 so far)
  - Major contributors: Atmire, 4Science, FCT
  - First release requiring *test driven development*

- Largest release in DSpace history (since 1.0)
  - Angular UI - 1,727 commits
  - REST API - 1,108 commits
How to get involved (technically)

**DSpace 7 will arrive more quickly with more help!**

- Discussions or meetings are encouraged to occur via the #dev channel in Slack.

- Anyone is welcome to attend DSpace 7 Working Group or DSpace 7 Entities Working Group meetings (both occur weekly).

For info: DuraSpace WIKI

Current activities: Meeting Agendas
How to get involved (non-technically)

Join **DSpace 7 Outreach Group**

- Communication / outreach around DSpace 7
- Gather UI/UX design inspiration

Join **DSpace Community Advisory Team (DCAT)**

- Repository Managers interest group
- Advises on community needs

Join **Grupo Brasileiro de Usuários DSpace**

- WIKI, Slack, mailing list
- Webinars and events

*Become a member and contribute to the product roadmap and the governance*
Thanks
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