

Developing a digital repository infrastructure for sharing digital resources in the teaching education community

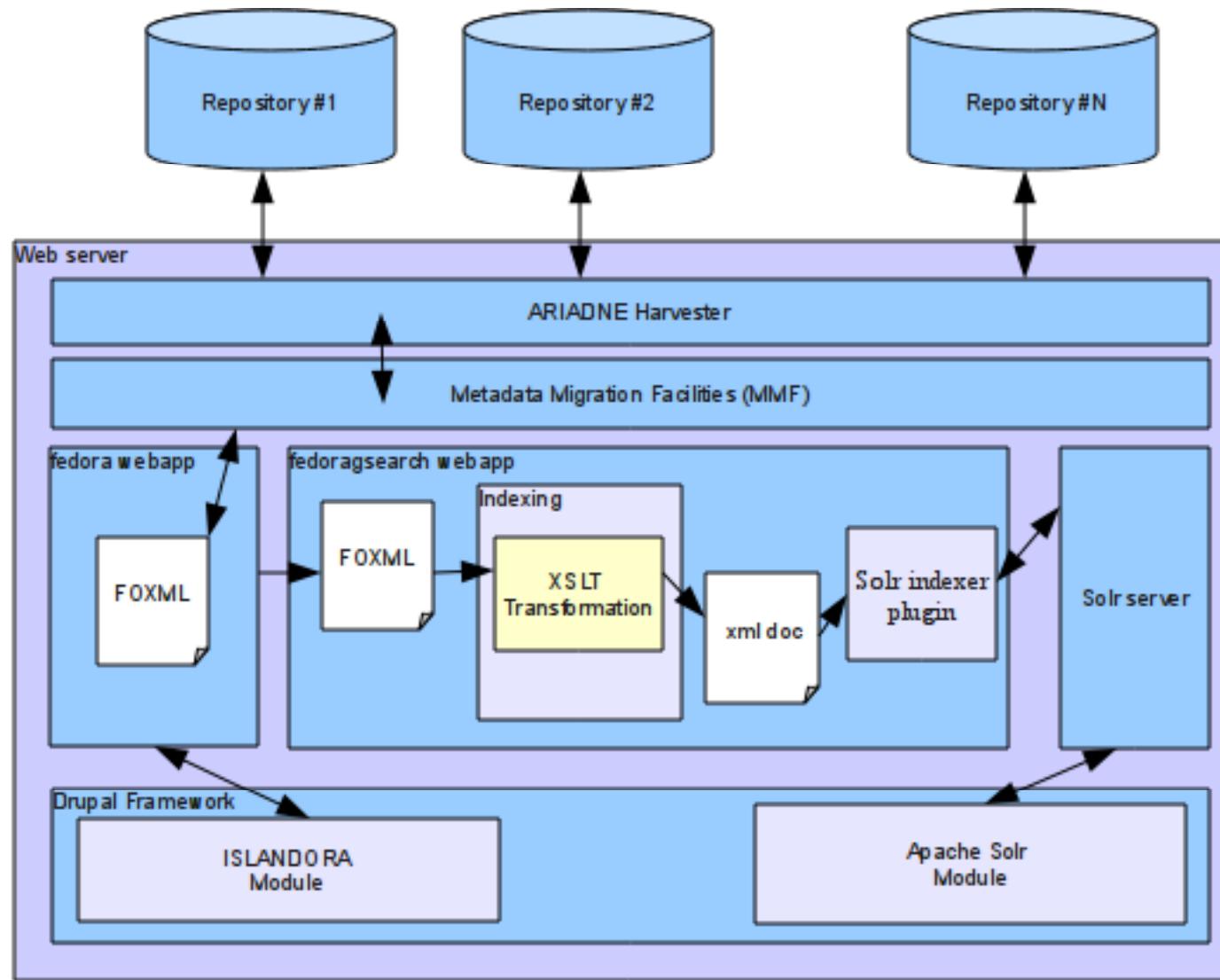
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The main goal

- To establish a highly visible and functional portal with advanced brokerage services that will provide personalised access to a wide-range of Teacher Education (TE) content.
- The system is not devoted to the digital assets themselves, but to the metadata used to describe those digital assets

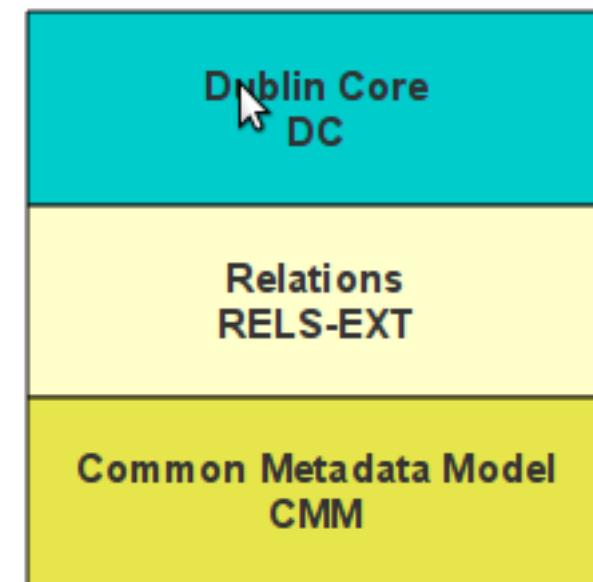


System architecture overview



Metadata (1)

- The central repository contains metadata representing resources from the Teacher Education (TE) domain.
- These metadata are represented in Common Metadata Model (CMM) format, expressed as an application profile of LOM



Metadata (2)

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Data capture

- System collect metadata from various *sources*: partners' local metadata repositories and external repositories or additional sources containing such metadata.
- **The ARIADNE Harvester** is used to harvest all these *sources* of metadata using the **OAI-PMH** Protocol
- Harvested records are published in Fedora via **Simple Publishing Interface (SPI)**



Data indexing, searching and browsing

- The Fedora Generic Search Service is used for indexing Fedora FOXML records, and text data streams (DC, RELS-EXT, and CMM datastreams)
- Solr plugin is used for indexing documents via HTTP POST interface of Solr

The screenshot shows a search results page for the term "education". At the top, there are three buttons: TAKE, USE, and GIVE. Below them is a navigation bar with links to Advanced, Browse, Preferences, and Sign out, and a Hide options button. The main search results area has a green header with the text "Search results". A search bar contains the query "ed". To the right of the search bar, there is a "SEARCH" button. Below the search bar, a dropdown menu lists suggestions: "educational", "technology", "software", "research", and "evaluation", each followed by a count of results: 9884, 5393, 4180, 293, and 293 respectively. To the right of these counts, the text "significati e prospettive" is visible. Below the search bar, there are two search results cards. The first card is titled "La MEDIA EDUCATION: definizione, riferimenti storici, culturali." It includes a "Show more»" link and social sharing icons. The second card is titled "Dall'A-LEARNING al M-LEARNING" and includes a star rating and a brief description: "The new media as agents of change for education in progress. - The link between media education and development of critical thinking - Writing vs. writes." On the right side of the page, there are two sections: "SORT BY" and "FILTER BY COLLECTION". The "SORT BY" section includes options for Relevancy, Language, Format, and Date. The "FILTER BY COLLECTION" section lists several collections with their counts: sharetec:UVA_Collection (552), sharetec:ITD_Collection (419), sharetec:Teacher_TV_Collectio (315), sharetec:MUEP_Collection (160), and sharetec:CIRDFA_Collection (80).

Front-end

- Drupal based front-end providing end-user functionalities like commenting, rating, etc.
- Islandora module allowing Drupal users to view CMM records stored as a digital objects in fedora repository.



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