DSpace Release 3.5 Notes
Version 3.5

DSpace 3.5 was officially released to the public on November 9, 2015.
DSpace 3.5 can be downloaded immediately from:

- https://github.com/DSpace/DSpace/releases/tag/dspace-3.5

More information on the 3.5 release (and the 3.x platform in general) can be found in the 3.x Documentation Preface.

Upate instructions can be found at Upgrading a DSpace Installation

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Summary

DSpace 3.5 is a JSPUI security fix release to resolve several issues located in DSpace 3.4 or below. As it only provides security-fixes, DSpace 3.5 should constitute an easy upgrade from DSpace 3.x for most users. No database changes or additional configuration changes should be necessary when upgrading from DSpace 3.x to 3.5.

This release addresses the following security issues discovered in DSpace 3.x and below:

- JSPUI Security Fixes
  - [MEDIUM SEVERITY] Cross-site scripting (XSS injection) is possible in JSPUI search interface (in Firefox web browser). (DS-2736 - requires a JIRA account to access for two weeks, and then will be public): This vulnerability could allow someone to embed dangerous Javascript code into links to search results. If a user was emailed such a link and clicked it, the javascript would be run in their local browser. This vulnerability has existed since DSpace 3.x
    - Discovered by Genaro Contreras
  - [LOW SEVERITY] Expression language injection (EL Injection) is possible in JSPUI search interface. (DS-2737 - requires a JIRA account to access for two weeks, and then will be public): This vulnerability could allow someone to obtain information from the site /server using JSP syntax. This vulnerability has existed since DSpace 3.x
    - Discovered by Genaro Contreras

Upgrade Instructions

- For upgrade instructions for 3.x to 3.5 please see Upgrading From 3.0 to 3.x.
- If you are upgrading from 1.8.x to 3.5, please see Upgrading From 1.8.x to 3.5
- For general upgrade instructions, please see Upgrading a DSpace Installation

No new features in DSpace 3.5
Organizational Details

Release Coordination

- Release Coordinator: Committers Team (shared coordination) led by Tim Donohue and Andrea Schweer

Timeline and Proceeding

Release Timeline:

- Release Date: November 9, 2015

3.5 is a security-fix release. This means it includes no new features and only includes the above listed security fixes.

For a list of all new 3.x Features, please visit the DSpace Release 3.0 Notes.