

Empowering the Community through a Framework for Interest Groups and Working Groups

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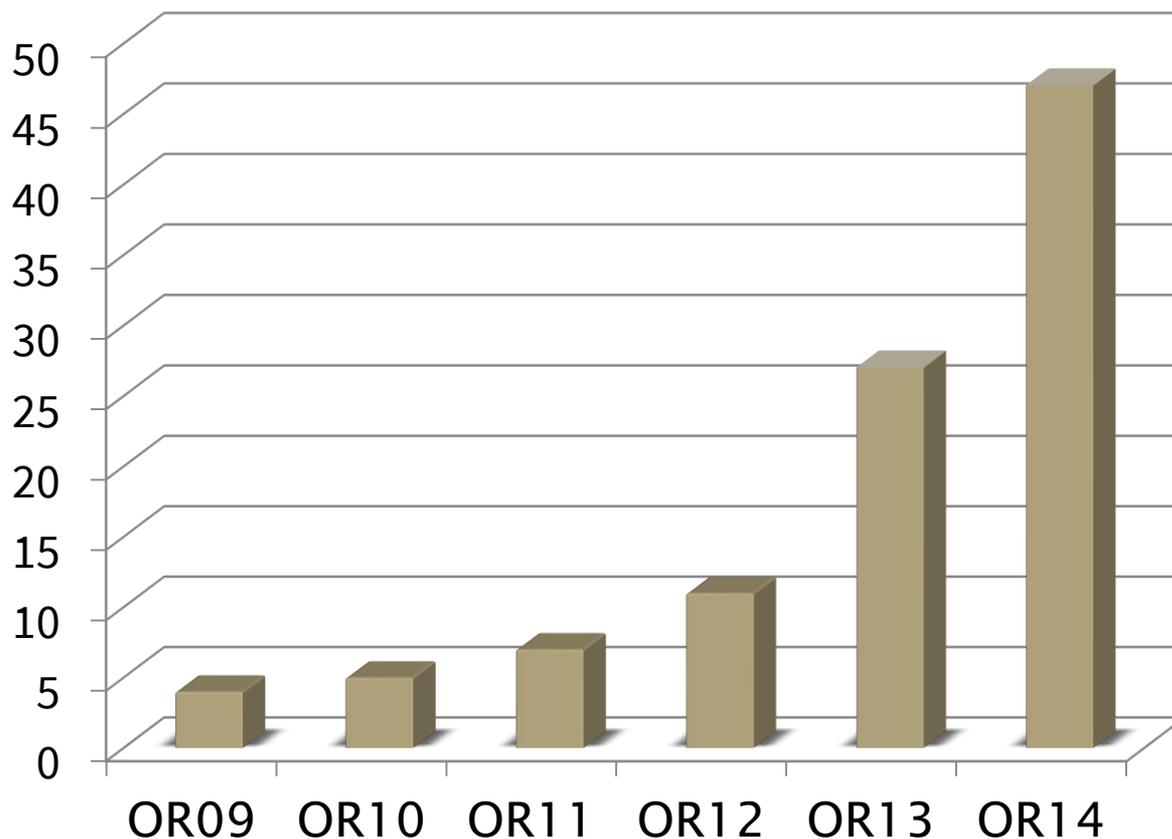
Three Critical Priorities

1. Technical framework continue to advance to enable easy code sharing and reuse
2. Community framework evolves to accommodate growth in partners
3. Create a full suite of solution bundles

Eight Strategic Priorities

1. Develop solution bundles
2. Develop turnkey applications
3. Grow the Hydra vendor ecosystem
4. Codify a scalable training framework to fuel community growth
5. Develop a documentation framework
6. Ensure the technical framework allows code sharing
7. Refresh and intensify the community ties
8. Grow the community of users and adopters

Current Partners and Known Users



Requirements

Any Hydra community structure must ...

- function successfully without central organization
- be lightweight and avoid imposing work-hindering overheads
- respect the equality of partners as joint decision makers
- facilitate visibility and discovery of ongoing, beneficial work
- allow work to take place outside of the structure
- enable new partners to join ongoing conversation and development
- be community focused, not a means of advertising specific products

Proposed Solution

Interest Groups

- Discussion and planning
- Lead to Working Groups

Working Groups

- Requires commitments
- Where work gets done

Interest Groups

- Formed at will to discuss a particular topic
- No need for approval
- No need for CLAs as no deliverables
- Requires at least two partner institutions
- Publically available notes should be taken

Working Groups

- Formalized by documenting the scope and nature of the work
 - Shared needs & use cases, institutions involved, timeframe
 - Can be updated to reflect reality rather than aspirations
- WG is announced and institutions must publically commit to it
- CLAs required for participation
- Requires at least three partner institutions throughout
- Requires a designated facilitator to promote activity
- Notes must be public to enable new partners to determine if they want to commit, and what is going on

Existing Interest/Working Groups

- Hydra RDF Working Group
- Hydra Archiving Working Group
- Hydra Digital Preservation Working Group
- Hydra UX
- Others that we don't know about?

Could Regional Groups Fit as Interest Groups?

- Hydra UK
- Hydra Northeast
- We Hope to Grow the List!

Projects - Interest Groups or Working Groups?

- Hydra Core
- Hydramata
- Sufia
- Spotlight
- Others that we don't know about?

Survey – Work Percolating But Who Knew?

- Exploring Migration to Fedora 4
- Service Management, Media & Metadata
- Migration from ContentDM
- Fedora 4 Rights Metadata for Complex Objects

Survey – New Topics of Interest

- Statistics & Metrics, Automated Harvesting of Content for Ext Providers
- Metadata Aggregation & Enrichment
- Multi-file Items & Administrative Features
- Self Assessment & Improvement
- **Repository Migration** / ResourceSync
- Hydra Integration with Institution Systems (e.g. LMS, LDAP, Student System, etc.)
- **Fedora4**
- Policy & Agreements

Benefits to the Community

- Increases exposure of ongoing work in and beyond the community
- Facilitates engagement with new partners
- Understand community level priorities, use cases and requirements
- Development of high quality products, within a reasonable timeframe, that benefit the community not individual institutions
- Demonstrating activity and collaboration
- Cross-institutional skills transfer and development
- Doesn't change working best practice, just codifies it