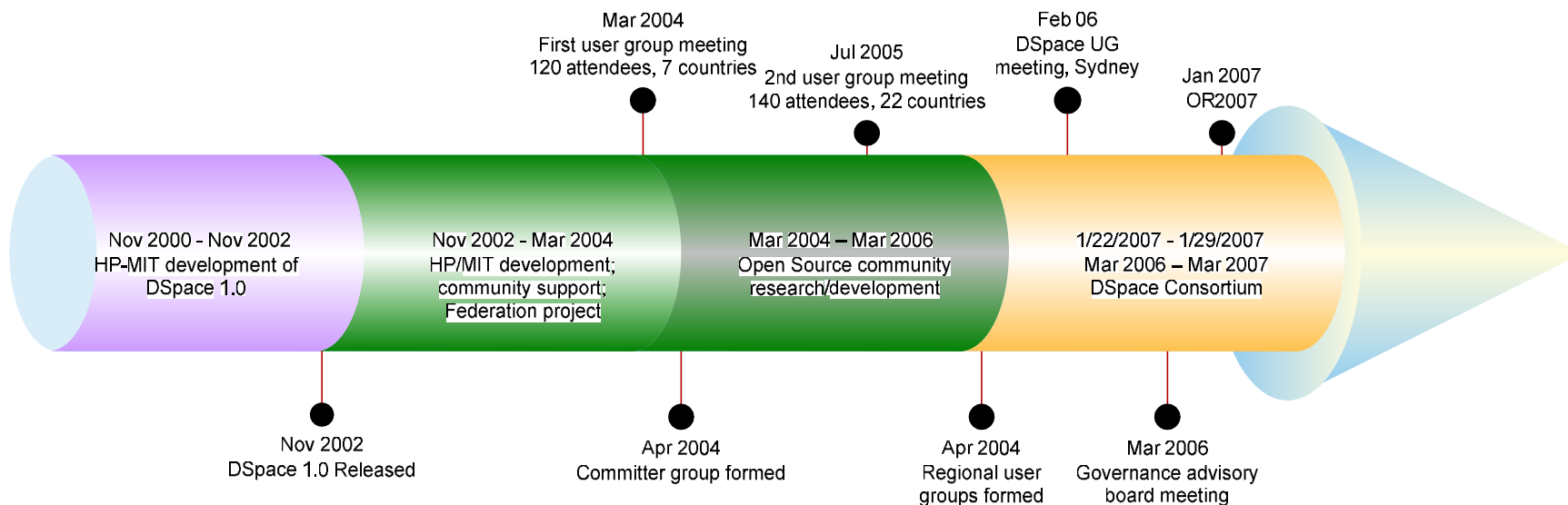


DSpace Foundation

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History of DSpace



Formation of Foundation summer 2007

Future of DSpace



- Formation of non-profit organization to provide leadership and support to the growing community of users

Provide open access and
preservation of scholarly works
worldwide

Role of the Foundation

- ❑ Be an advocate for the DSpace platform and community
- ❑ Support the development of the DSpace platform by providing leadership and funding(2.0 and beyond)
- ❑ Facilitate collaboration, communication and awareness within the community (related projects)
- ❑ Develop partnerships with others who bring value to the community(commercial or other)
- ❑ Work with other institutions and non-profits with similar goals of digital preservation and access

Short term goals- next 6 months

- ❑ Form the non-profit corporation
- ❑ Meet major contributors/institutions and stakeholders
- ❑ Improve the website for outreach high level information
- ❑ Develop sources/models for long term sustainability
- ❑ Launch DSpace 2.0 project

Non-profit

- Board formed- 7 members
- Paperwork filed
- Initial board meeting this summer
- Expect 501c3 status within 6 months

Board members

- Ann Wolpert (Chairperson) MIT Dir of Libraries
- Carole Moore U of Toronto Chief Librarian
- Chuck Henry Exec Director CLIR
- Michel Bernard (treasurer) HP Dir University Relations
- Matthew Cockerill, Co-founder BioMed Central
- Peter Walgemoed, Founder of Carelliance
- Thomas Kelly, (secretary) Lawyer Mintz Levin

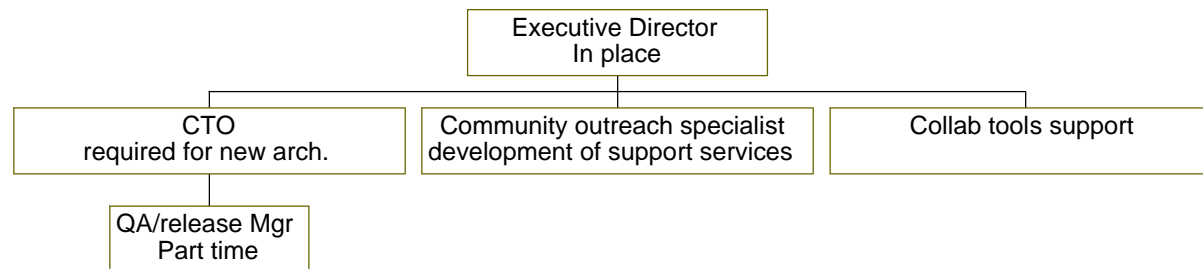
DSpace 2.0

- Technical recommendations in place
- Key goals
 - Scalability from hundreds of thousands of items to 10 million items or more
 - Interoperability better integration with other applications to import/export data through improved API's
 - Modularity ability to develop extensions without modifying the core aspects of the software
 - Work flow ability to customize the work flow to better fit the users organizational needs
 - Data model expand the capability to allow for versioning, and the management of more complex objects (Frbr)

Project Funding

- One year project
- Breakdown-
 - People(roughly 4 FTE) plus support for training, meetings and documentation
- Hope to get developers from community
- Outside funding for training, meetings and documentation
- Hire technical lead-within non-profit to guide project-later to become CTO

Possible Organization



Facilitate and provide guidance, but not to write code

Ensure DSpace(and its content) is a platform that will live on beyond any individual institution or contributor

Tactical Responsibilities of organization

- Maintain and update online tools
- Test and release management
- High level coordination and communication
- Support for training, conferences ect.
- Funding
- Exploration and development of new areas and partnerships

Funding

- Currently funded by MIT and HP
- Evaluating other sources of funding
 - Corporate sponsorships
 - Membership
 - Fee for Services
- Funding of projects- such as DSpace 2.0- through foundations, in kind contributions, and the community

Timeline

- Corporation formed July 1, non-profit 3-6 months
- Raising funds and participation for architecture project now, project kickoff early 2008, 1 year duration
- Published roadmap by September 2007
- Lightweight organization in place early 2008