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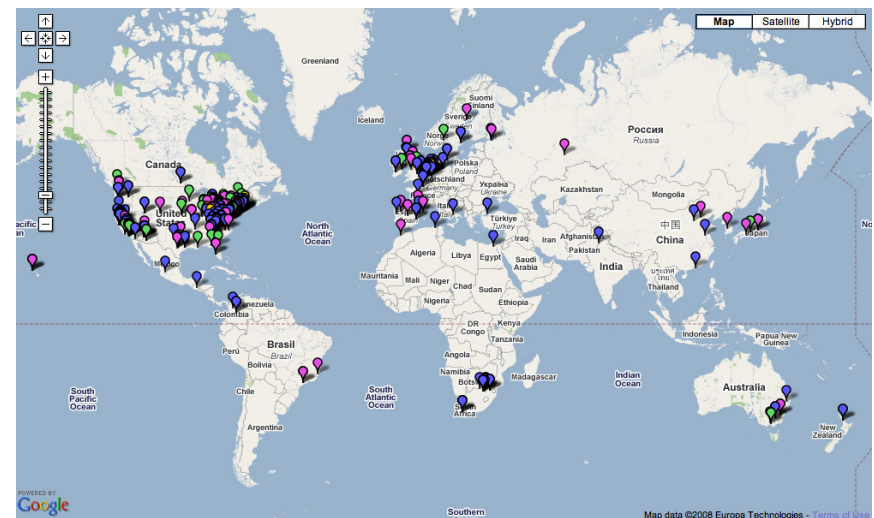
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# What is Sakai?

- Sakai is a Collaboration and Learning Environment (CLE) – support teaching, learning and scholarly collaboration in either fully or partially online environments
  - Very flexible and customizable
  - Enterprise-level
  - Free and open-source



# Sakai in 2008: QA Focus

- Increased Foundation staff focused on QA
- Extended QA Cycle for 2.5
  - Formal *Beta* and *Release Candidates*
  - University of Cape Town running *Beta* in production
  - Final 2.5.0 release in March instead of November
- Introduction of Maintenance Releases
  - Currently on Sakai 2.5.4, the most reliable version of Sakai to date
- Challenge: Managing 2.5 and 2.6 releases simultaneously

# Sakai in 2008: UX Focus

- User Experience Improvement Project
- Did not make 2.6 release
  - Not enough work completed in time for code freeze
  - Many felt design needed happen on tools before they would deploy on campus
- 2.7 or 3.0?
  - Currently the Foundation is working towards 3.0
  - Design work can be implemented for 2.7, but we need resources willing to do this
- Overall Result
  - Positive change in direction
  - Won't be satisfied until changes reach release

# Sakai in 2008: Conferences

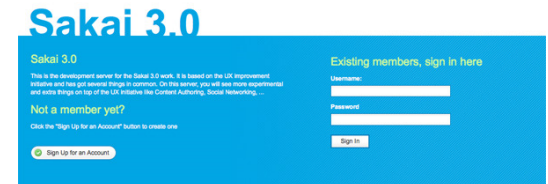
- Too much time/money spent on organizing conferences
- Reduced major community conference from twice to once per year (Boston, July 2009)
- Added emphasis on regional conferences
  - Europe
  - Africa
  - Virginia Tech
  - Australia (AuSakai)

# Sakai in 2009 and Beyond: Releases

- Q1 2009: Sakai 2.6
- Q2 2009: Sakai 3 Early Adopters Release
- Q3 2009: Sakai 2.6.1, ...
  - A maintenance release for fall production
- 2010
  - Q1: Sakai 2.7 (New assignments tool and gradebook?)
  - Later: First versions of Sakai 3
    - Not functionally equivalent to 2.7
    - Suitable for new adoptions
    - “Hybrid” version for existing Sakai schools
- 2011
  - Sakai 3 as full replacement
  - Maintenance releases for Sakai 2.7 through 2013
  - No version 2.8

# Sakai in 2009 and Beyond: Process

- What's the same?
  - Open development process
  - Low barrier to entry for R&D projects
  - Independent projects possible/encouraged
  - Small feature development remains the same
  - Structural Similarities, possible misperception
    - R&D ≠ Contrib, Incubation ≠ Provisional, Project ≠ Core
- What is different?
  - Adherence to criteria from Incubation to Project
  - Managed process for development team(s)
  - Product Council to enforce criteria for making release
  - The notion of a maintenance group
  - *Community Acceptance? Who is the Council? Maintenance-only?*





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 **kuali**  
foundation® Open source administrative software for education

# Update from the Executive Director

# Kuali – Project Description

- Enterprise-wide administrative applications
- 4 current projects:
  - Kuali Financial System (KFS)
  - Kuali Coeus (KC)
    - Research Administration,
  - Kuali Student (KS)
  - Kuali Rice
    - Middleware, infrastructure, architecture, shared modules
- Community source project, where investing partners provide resources and direct system development and enhancement



# Past Year Highlights

- Kuali Coeus (KC) release 1 delivered July 2008
- Final release of Financial System (KFS) moved into QA last month
- First implementations of KFS underway
- Kuali Student (KS) completed all architecture documents and began development
- Kuali Rice became its own project with investing partners
- Kuali Rice was implemented at some schools
- Began reviewing potential new Kuali projects

# Upcoming Year

- KFS will be implemented by 2-3 partners, and possibly others
- Kuali Rice release 1 will be delivered
- KFS release 3 will be delivered
- KC release 2 will be delivered
- KS release 1 will be delivered
- Since KC is modular, we may see implementations of release 1
- Kuali Rice will be used by quite a few partner schools as middleware and application development
- We will onboard new projects
- We will move toward a sustaining model for KFS

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# The Year in Review

- New web site, new logo, new name!
- Created two new membership classes
- Created Jasig Solutions Provider Program
- Ended 2008 on solid financial footing
- Created Jasig Incubation process
- Expanded Board of Directors
- Held second successful “Unconference”



# The Year in Review

- Developed Incubation process
- Significant product releases
  - uPortal 3.1(RC)
  - CAS 3.3.1
- Jasig named to **EContent 100** list for 2008 to 2009 (second straight year)
  - “Our list of the 100 companies that matter most in the digital content industry”

# The Year Ahead

- Continued uPortal – Fluid collaboration
- Rollouts of uPortal 3.x picking up steam; significant UX enhancements
- Rewrite of the administrative UI
- Add SAML support to CAS 4
  - Attributes, Federation
  - “Swiss Army Knife” of protocol translators
  - Service Management improvements

# The Year Ahead

- “Future Portal”
- Marketing: Case Studies
- Co-Sponsoring ACAMP with Internet2
- Creating a portlet bundle for distribution; working on a SunGard Banner portlet collaboration
- A number of incubation applications:
  - OpenRegistry (tentative)
  - ESUP HelpDesk
  - Others on deck for consideration



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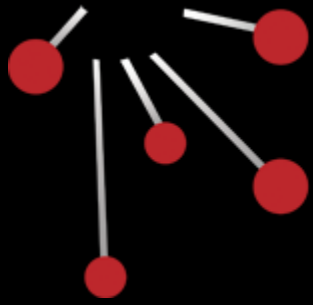
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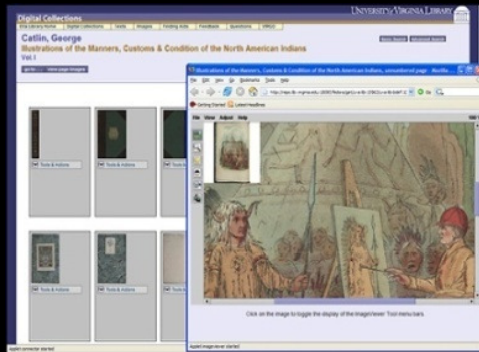
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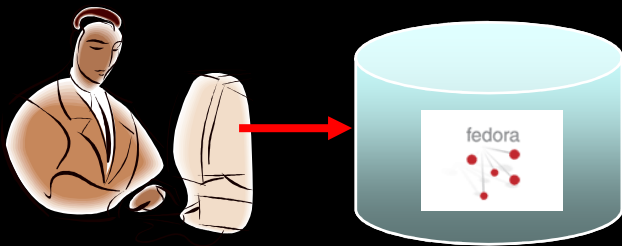
# Fedora Commons™

Scholarly/Scientific Infrastructure

Digital Libraries and Collections



Data Curation



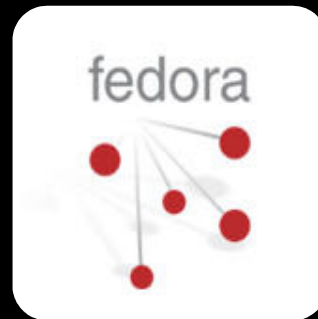
Museums and Education



and more ...

# A Brief History...

501(c)(3)  
Non-profit



Fedora Project Phase 1

- Digital Repository
- Web services
- XML

Fedora Project Phase 2

- SOA
- More Services
- Semantic Technologies

Fedora Commons

- Infrastructure
- Web-fit
- Sustainability
- Integrations

2001

2005

2007

2012+



Major Funders

Mellon

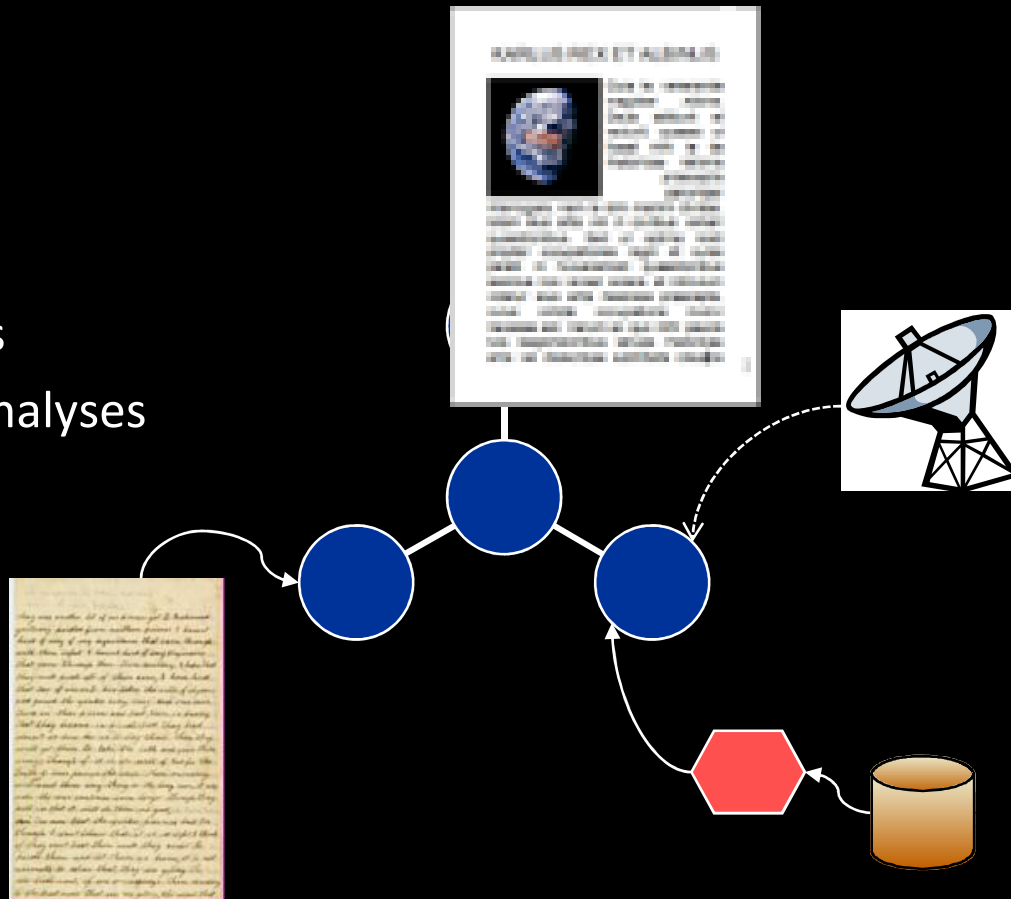
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Community,  
Partners,  
Donors

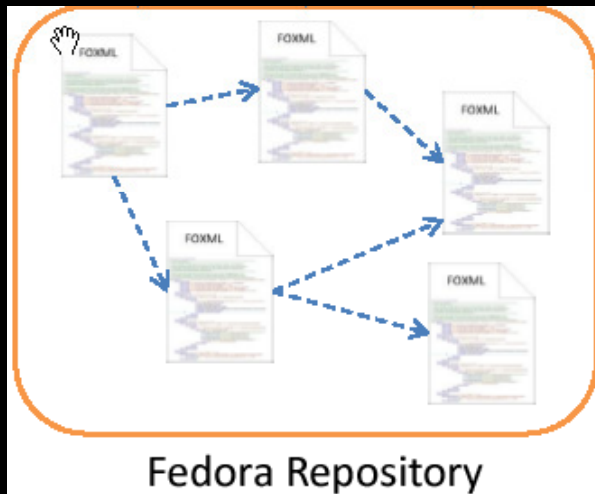
# Store, manage, access of inter-connected digital objects

- Documents
- Text
- Data
- Simulations
- Images
- Video
- Computations
- Automated Analyses



# Fedora Repository Service + Semantic Triplestore

## Digital Object Repository

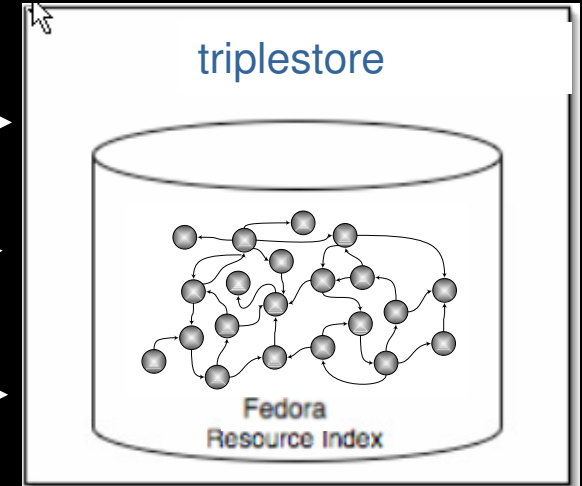


Relationships

Essential Properties

Dublin Core

## RDF Graph Index





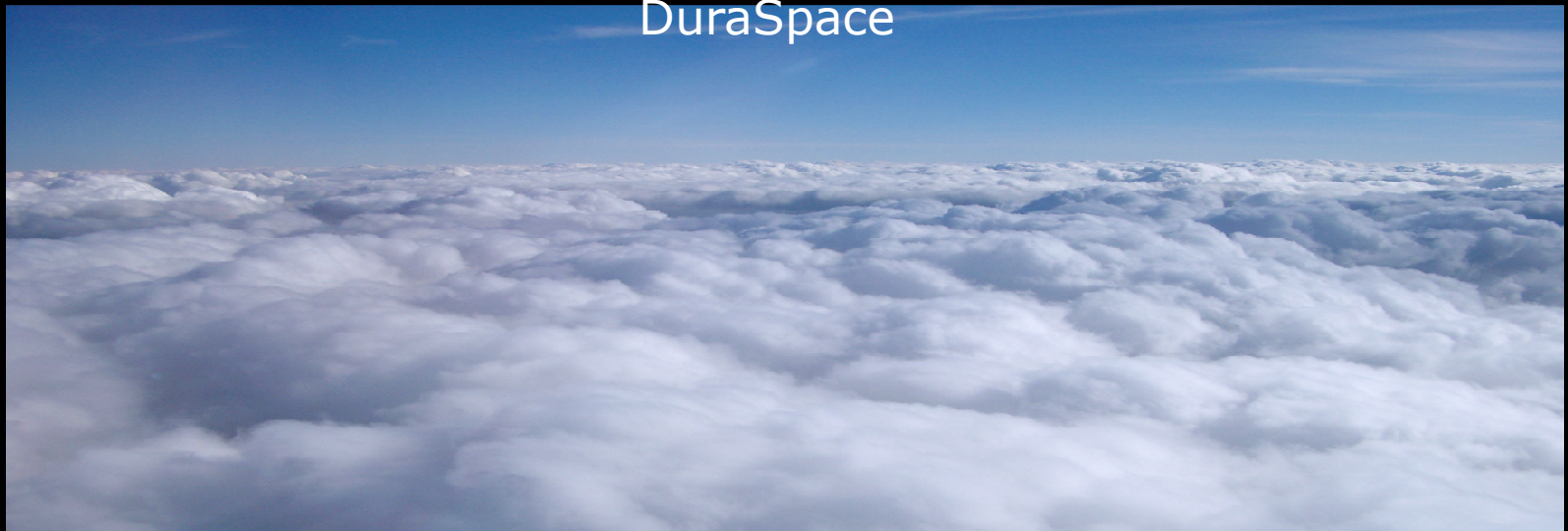
# Repositories as components of Web information infrastructure



# Partnership with DSpace Foundation



DuraSpace





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# DSpace Foundation

Open Source Repository Platform

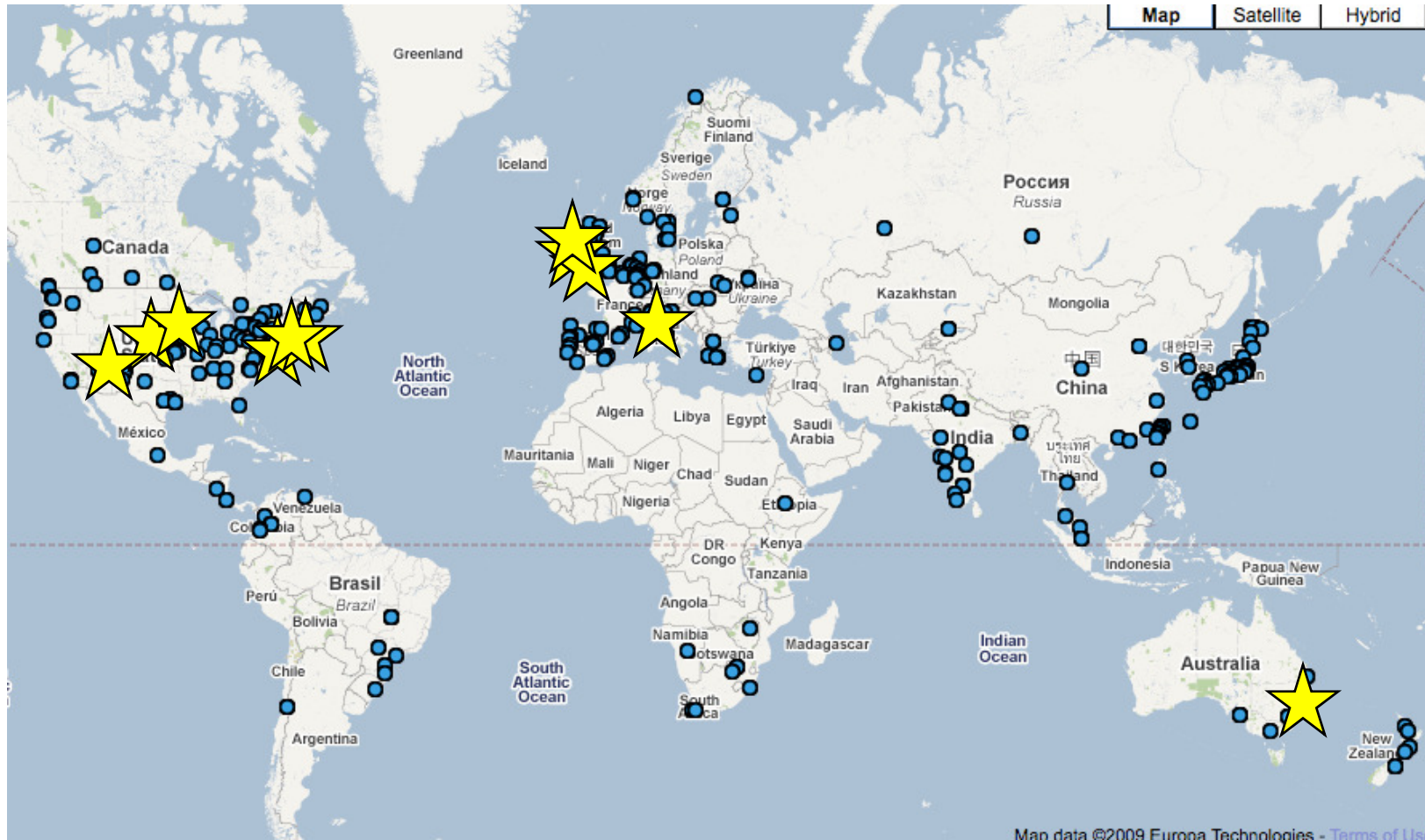


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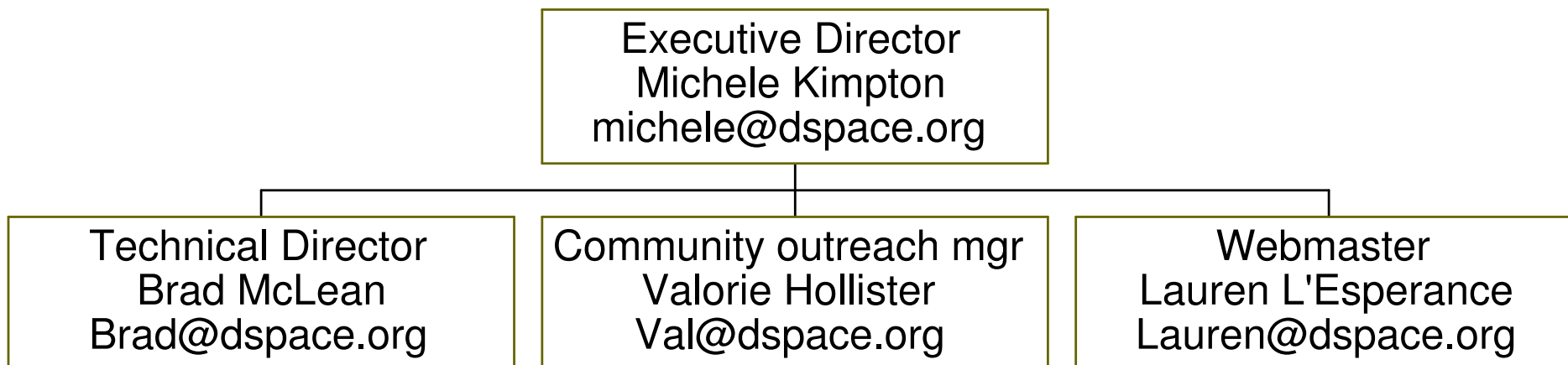
500 users WW, 10-15 new users/month



# DSpace Foundation

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**Promote DSpace, advance the platform,  
support the community**



Reach out to  
new users

Engage the  
community

Sustainability

Manage  
roadmap and  
Improve  
contribution  
process

Build partnerships

# Key accomplishments 2008

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- ▶ Launched DSpace 2.0 project
- ▶ Launched Global outreach committee, monthly online newsletter
- ▶ Formed key strategic partnerships-
  - ▶ NITLE, Fedora Commons, Microsoft, Sun
- ▶ Launched Sponsorship program



# Priorities 2009

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- ▶ Release of 2.0
- ▶ Launch of DuraSpace
- ▶ Strategic service partner program
- ▶ Programs aimed at expanding community engagement

# For more information

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