Sydney eScholarship Repository and DSpace
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Sydney eScholarship Repository

Software: DSpace
Version: 1.4.1
Standard customisations
Sydney eScholarship Repository

- An open access repository for digital material created at or by the University of Sydney.
- Part of a wider Sydney eScholarship initiative
- We offer “a” not “the” repository option
Why DSpace?

• Suited our needs as a digital asset management system – (at the time)

• We have/had the ability to support both the software and the service

• Open source allows us to make the relevant changes and customisations we require, when required
Sydney eScholarship

Sydney Digital Library
- eScholarship repository
- SETIS digital collections
- Sydney Digital Theses
- support, consultation and advisory services
- hosting services

Sydney University Publishing
- Sydney University Press
- other imprints
- digital / print on demand services
- eStore, eCommerce and business services
- experimental publication

VALUE ADDING
Sydney eScholarship Repository

Integrated activities

• Publishing - OJS and Complex publications

• University Research Office – storage of material required for the RQF

• Linkages with other repositories
A proposed model for managing RQF objects
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Standard Service – Free

- Establishment
- Education and advice
- Storage and archiving
- Community does most of the work

- Premium – Fee based
  - Metadata creation
  - Digitisation
  - Loading of material
  - Major Customisations and database interface design
Issues with DSpace

• Scalability
• Rigid structure – communities & collections
• Managing complex objects
• Metadata schemas that are hierarchical