CDL-Hosted Archivists' Toolkit and Archon Service

ATRT meeting / SAA 2010



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Context

- Initial assessment of OAC contributing members (ca. 170 total) in mid-2009
 - 62 responses total
 - 12 already using the AT
 - 36 expressed interest in hosted service
- CLIR Cataloging Hidden Special Collections and Archives grant (2010-2012)



Scope

- In-production as of March 2010
- Single back-end MySQL database
 - Centralized software upgrades
 - Data recovery and backup
- Class 4/Repository Manager-level account
- Repository record setup



Scope

- Technical and user support
 - Workshops? (TBD)
- User guide
- at2oac stylesheet
 - Automatically upgrades EADs to comply with OAC (and RLG) specs
 - Feel free to adapt or reuse



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Scope

Some usage limitations:

- Change the user interface label for data elements
- Add data elements to, or remove them from the search editor
- Add data elements to, or remove them from browse lists
- Indicate the order (left to right) of data elements in browse lists
- Modify rollover text for data elements
- Configure date formats, notes, lookup lists, and rapid data entry screens



Current Usage

- 19 repositories have accounts
- About 1/2 are utilizing it in a production setting, or are gearing up for it
 - Many are working on importing accession records
 - 58 accession records, 50 resources records
 - No EADs generated yet (for OAC publication)
- Other 1/2 are exploring use of the system



Resource Allocation

Ongoing assessment of costs

Staffing

- Technical/development work: ca. 30-40 hours of programmer analyst staff time, up-front cost
- Documentation: 10-20 hours of support staff time
- Repository/account setup: <30 mins.
- User support: 30 questions, mostly pertaining to accounts and client configuration



Looking Forward

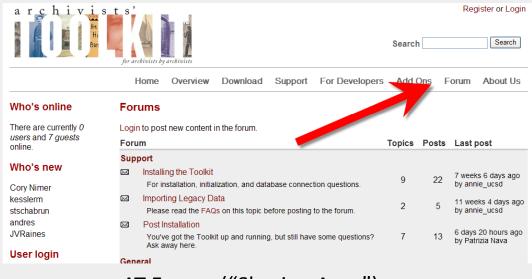
- Cultivate usage (CDL- or locally-hosted);
 follow-up with initial interest group
- Ongoing resource assessment
- AT/Archon integration (ArchivesSpace)
 - Looking forward to testing out multi-tenant deployment
 - Opportunity to test data migration



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