

SUBJECT: Global Call to Action: Speed the Release of DSpace 7

As you all know the DSpace community is working on the release of [DSpace 7](#).

The [DSpace 7 Working Group](#) needs help to move activities forward, particularly in terms of code reviews and testing. That is also the best way to get familiar with the core code and the new UI.

DSpace 7 will introduce a new, single User Interface (UI) with functionality currently available in both JSPUI and XMLUI; it will have a completely new REST API to insure complete separation of the user layer from the data layer; it will have great new features that will allow users to configure different entities and the platform to comply with international interoperability standards (COAR Next Generation Repositories, OpenAIRE Guideline V4, ORCID in Repositories Recommendations).

With great ideas and projects usually come together with complexity and challenges. Just to give an idea of such a complexity, the code commits for DSpace 7 are already more than the sum of the commits of the 3 previous versions together, making it the largest release in history since version 1.0.

To have an idea of what needs to be reviewed and what are the main activities the Working Group is currently busy with, you can find all the information on the latest meeting notes:

<https://wiki.duraspace.org/display/DSPACE/2019-09-26+DSpace+7+Working+Group+Meeting>

If you want to have a preliminary overview or a better idea of what DSpace 7 is, you can also take a look at all the DSpace 7 presentations that were given at the last OR2019 conference in Hamburg last June:

<https://wiki.duraspace.org/display/DSPACE/DSpace+7+at+OR2019>

All the meetings are open to anyone from the community, feel free to join and ask anything you might need to start providing your contribution!

DSpace is an open source community project and it relies on the voluntary support of the members of its community. Thanks to the contribution of some service providers and community developers we've reached a great point, but we need more help from our community and this message wants to be a call to action!

Call for translations

We highly welcome volunteers to join the effort in making DSpace 7 available in as many languages as possible.

[DSpace 7 Translation - Internationalization \(i18n\) - Localization \(l10n\)](#)

You are welcome to join #translation on the [DuraSpace Slack](#) for assistance with your translations.