## Breadth vs. Depth? Building a Successful Digital Library

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#### Where We Started





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# Shifting Landscape



\*Breac, A Digital Journal Of Irish Studies, http://breac.nd.edu



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## **Related Materials: Any Format**

Statistical Data





# Breadth vs. Depth?

- Depth
  - Pros
    - Simple Focus on Single Format or Work Type
    - Advanced Features Available Faster
  - Cons
    - Divergent Solutions between formats
    - Development of one work type lags behind another
    - Difficult to mix content types
    - Danger for Re-work and Redundancies
    - You can spend too much time on the wrong features



# Breadth vs. Depth?

- Breadth
  - Pros
    - Wide format support
    - Use Common Services
    - Mixed format collections and works management and publication
  - Cons
    - Difficult to build common services
    - Advanced Features Come Slower
    - Focus can be diluted by too broad a customer base
    - May not meet customers needs



# **Overcome the Challenges**

- Get Users Engaged Early in the Process
- Focus on a select group of early adopters
- Work Closely with them to target most important features
- Smaller Releases; Release Often
- Build the quickest most influential success stories



# We Did This for a Reason Right?



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## **Mixed Architecture**



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# **Converging on a Shared Solution**





# Sustain through Community

Project Hydra

- An open architecture, with many contributors to a common core
- Collaboratively built "solution bundles" that can be adapted and modified to suit local needs
- A community of developers and adopters extending and enhancing the core
- "If you want to go fast, go alone. If you want to go far, go together."



# Sustain through Community

Shared IR Project

- Complete Multi-Institutional Collaboration from top to bottom within the Hydra Community
  - Shared Roadmapping and Governance
  - Community and Local Roles (not just developer)
  - Rotate Resources
  - Overlaps of Curate and Sufia







# On the Horizon

- Early Access Release at Notre Dame in November
- Further alignment of Curate and Sufia
- Clear Priorities Heading into the Next Phase
  - ORCID Integration
  - Metrics
  - Submission and Publish Workflows
  - Big Data focused Workflows
  - Media Streaming Integrations
  - Installable Solution Bundle(s)



# More Information

- Shared IR Project
  - <u>https://wiki.duraspace.org/display/hydra/Shared+IR</u>
    <u>+project</u>
  - <u>https://github.com/ndlib/planning/wiki</u>
- Code
  - Curate: <u>https://github.com/ndlib/curate</u>
  - Sufia: <u>https://github.com/projecthydra/sufia</u>
- Institutional Sites
  - Libra: <u>http://libra.virginia.edu/</u>
  - ScholarSphere: <u>https://scholarsphere.psu.edu/</u>
  - CurateND (Alpha site): <u>http://curate.nd.edu</u>





http://projecthydra.org



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