



UNIVERSITY OF OREGON

April 10, 2014

Hydra Steering Group
Hydra-steering@googlegroups.com

Dear Hydra Steering Committee Members:

We write to offer commitment to the Hydra Project from Oregon Digital, a collaboration of Oregon State University Libraries & Press and the University of Oregon Libraries.

Oregon Digital is a successful partnership between UO and OSU working on shared digital collections and infrastructure. Since Oregon Digital's launch in 2009, we have embraced the idea that innovation through collaboration make us stronger and allow us to go farther, an ethos echoed through the Hydra Project. Over the last year, we have been working on migrating our shared infrastructure to Hydra and developing tools to make migration easier for not only Oregon but also the broader digital library community.

The institutions that make up Oregon Digital are experienced with the powerful results of collaboration, innovation, and service. We commit to contributing to the Hydra Project through evangelism for Hydra and its capabilities and have been active spokespeople, particularly with RDF and for mixed media digital collections. We also commit to extending our role by contributing code and documentation, leading and participating in working groups, as well as being open to new ways of contributing to the community.

We look forward to building new friendships, collaboration with new colleagues, and a long, and productive partnership.

Sincerely,

Faye A. Chadwell
Donald and Delpha Campbell University Librarian
& OSU Press Director
Oregon State University

Deborah Carver
Philip H. Knight Dean of Libraries
University of Oregon

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Hydra Project Partner Letter of Agreement

Hydra is an inter-institutional collaboration to build a common, open source framework for multi-function, multi-purpose, repository-powered applications. Hydra's ultimate objective is to produce a community-sourced, sustainable application framework that provides rich and robust repository-powered solutions as an integrated part of an overall digital content management architecture.

The **Collaboration and Partnership Memorandum of Understanding of the Hydra Originating Steering Group Members** (hereinafter "Hydra MOU") which is attached to this letter agreement and incorporated herein by reference describes the project background, intellectual property licensing and ownership, project membership and governance, the responsibilities of the four Hydra Steering Group members (Stanford University, University of Virginia, University of Hull, and MediaShelf LLC) and the responsibilities of Hydra Partners. As provided in the MOU:

Hydra Partners are institutions, corporations, individuals, or other groups that have committed to contributing to the Hydra community and wish to become fully participating Hydra Partners. They not only use the Hydra technical framework, but also add to it in at least one of many ways, including: code, analysis, design, support, funding, or other resources. Hydra Partners collectively advance the project and the community for the benefit of all participants. Partners get to attend Hydra Partner meetings, provide input on the community and technical direction, and represent Hydra to the broader community. Candidates can join Hydra Partners by being nominated by an existing partner to the Steering Group, and being voted in by the Steering Group. Hydra Partners can be voted out by a majority of the Steering Group members. Partner participation is a privilege not a right. New Hydra partners must execute the Partner agreement to be countersigned by a designated representative of the Hydra Steering Group.

By executing this letter agreement, the entity named below indicates its wish to join the Hydra Project as a Hydra Partner and further confirms that it has reviewed, understands and agrees with the terms outlined in the Hydra MOU. The applicant has been nominated by an existing Hydra Partner.

Oregon State Univ. Libraries. Rya Alchodura 4/10/14
Entity Authorized Signature Date

Faye A Chadwell Donald & Deliah Campbell
Authorized Signer's Printed Name Title University Librarian & OSU
press
Director

Nominated by: Tom Cramer (Existing Hydra Partner)
Stanford University

Application Accepted by the Hydra Steering Group: Yes No Date: _____

Hydra Steering Group Authorized Signature: _____
(Name)



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