

2021 Annual Report



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2021 was a year of change for Samvera as we all continued to struggle through the waves of the COVID-19 pandemic. The most exciting change was a move to a new fiscal sponsor, the OASIS Open Foundation-as-a-Service, allowing Samvera to operate as a 501(c)6 nonprofit. In early 2021, with our LYRASIS MOU set to expire in June 2021, Samvera set out to identify and evaluate fiscal home options. With input from Partners, the then Steering Group developed assessment criteria and evaluated options for fiscal sponsorship. The three organizations that were thoroughly vetted were: LYRASIS Community-Supported Programs, OASIS Foundation-as-a-Service, and Code for Science & Society project sponsorship.

While all three organizations have an excellent track record of services to projects, OASIS Open stood out by offering three important features: continued project independence; comprehensive fiscal and legal expertise; and a cost-effective fee. The Partners voted in April to move to OASIS under their Foundation-as-a-Service umbrella, and for the Samvera Steering Group to become the Samvera Board of Directors. Our Community Manager, Heather Greer Klein, transitioned to employment with OASIS Open in October 2021. This fiscal sponsor change has little impact on the day-to-day work of the Community, and it simplifies our fiscal and legal processes while ensuring our independence.

2021 also brought Samvera a new Partner. Our Partnership model is exactly what makes Samvera stand out in the open source repository world. PALCI (Partnership for Academic Library Collaboration & Innovation) and PALNI (Private Academic LibraryNetwork of Indiana) have joined us as their joint Hyku for Consortia project, which is developing an affordable, open-source, and collaborative institutional repository solution based on Samvera's Hyku software.

Three major community initiatives commenced in 2021. First, Samvera revamped its Code of Conduct and Anti-Harassment Policy. The Code of Conduct Working Group participated in incident response training and worked with an outside consultant, Annalee Flower Horne, to develop a comprehensive Incident Response Manual. The new Code of Conduct and Anti-Harassment Policy clearly defines community participation expectations, how to report conduct violations, and provide a thorough response process to those reports.

The second initiative launched in 2021 is the Samvera Technology Maintenance Hours Pledge drive for 2022 software maintenance work. Eight institutions pledged 3,066 hours of development and documentation maintenance to be completed in 2022, allowing community-driven working groups to prioritize and plan their work.

Lastly, Samvera announced a new award that honors the late Julie Allinson, a beloved Samvera Community member who was an incredible mentor, teacher, and friend. Beginning in 2022, the Samvera Community will present an award in Julie's name to a Community member who exemplifies her collaborative spirit. Anyone can donate to this award to provide future awardees with a plaque and US \$200.

We look forward to 2022 and continuing our unique focus on building a community which brings us together and sustains our software.



In 2021 we welcomed Hyku for Consortia as a new Samvera Partner. At the end of 2021 Samvera had 33 formal Partners:

Ubiquity Press Boston Public Library University of California, San Diego **Columbia University** University of California, Santa Barbara **Cornell University** University of Cincinnati CoSector, University of London University of Houston Libraries **Data Curation Experts** University of Hull **Duke University University of Michigan Emory University University of Notre Dame** Hyku for Consortia University of Oregon **Indiana University University of Utah** Lafayette College University of Virginia Northwestern University **University of York** Notch8 Washington University in St. Louis (WUSTL) **Oregon State University** WGBH Media Library and Archives **Penn State University** Yale University **Princeton University Library Stanford University** The Digital Repository of Ireland Tufts University

We are grateful for the many kinds of support that we get, not only from our formal Partners and their staff, but also from many other organizations in our Community.



2021 At A Glance

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Active Working Groups & Interest Groups

Developer Congress Efforts

- React IIIF Media
 Player
- Hyrax
 Valkyrization
- Dependency upgrades
- Onboarding new developers

1,092 Slack Workspace members

Virtual Connect

Six hours over 2 days 150+ unique attendees 30 presenters

Connect 2021

200+ attendees 85+ organizations 9 countries 4 continents Most Active Components hyrax bulkrax iiif-react-media-player hyku hydra-head fcrepo-charts valkyrie avalon bundle serverless-iiif hyrax-doi

GitHub Activity

35 contributors 14 institutions 80 active Github repositories 1,724 commits

Noteworthy releases from Hyku, Hyrax, Avalon and Valkyrie

- Avalon 7.2: supplemental file support, merging items, improved authorization flow for restricted content
- Hyrax 3.0: work towards incorporating Valkyrie functionality
- Hyku 3.0: theming and user management improvements, Bulkrax import/export
- Valkyrie 2.2: Fedora 6 support



Statement of Financial Position

December 31, 2021

Assets	
Cash	 \$406,409
Accounts Receivables	 \$11,500
Prepaid Expenses	 \$(O)
Prepaid Host Admin Fees	 \$12,500
Total Assets	 \$430,409
Liabilities	
Accounts Payable	 \$1,464
Liability: J Allinson Memorial Award	 \$460
Deferred Liabilities: Partner Dues	 \$97,313
Total Liabilities	 \$99,237

Total Liabilities and Net Assets

\$430,409



Combined Statements of Activities

December 31, 2021

Revenues

<u>Samvera Partners</u>	
Partner Dues: Academic/Non Profits	 \$186,625
Partner Dues: Service Providers	 \$7,500
Total Partner Dues Revenues	 \$194, 125
Adjustment for Deferred Revenues	 \$(97,313)
Total Recognized Income from Dues	 \$96,812
<u>Other Revenues</u>	
Asset Transfer/Funds Deposit	 \$337,402
Total Recognized Income from Dues	 \$96,812
TOTAL INCOME	 \$434,215
Expenses	
Salaries, Benefits and Taxes: Community Manager	 \$55,403
Website Hosting/ Google Workspace	 \$4,515
Marketing, Advertising, and Promotions	 \$800
Operation Expenses	 \$1,080
Consulting Expenses	 \$3,744
OODF FaaS Admin Fee	 \$37,500
TOTAL EXPENSES	 \$103,043

Note: Assets of \$337,402 were transferred from LYRASIS in July 2021 consisting of cash and prepaid accounts.