

# **Digital Preservation in Institutional Repositories : Welcome**

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# Thank you to:

- The British Library for the venue
- Complete Support for managing the event
- Najla Semple for administration on behalf of CURL/DPC
- To you all for coming

# The IR scene

- Theory vs practice
- Early adopters
- The wait-and-see approach
- Maturing content
- Policies and organisations
- Shark infested waters!



*Stewardship is easy and inexpensive to claim: it is expensive and difficult to honour, and perhaps it will prove to be all too easy to later abdicate*

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# CURL

- CURL Task Force on Digital Content Creation and Curation
  - Sub-Group on Content Management
- Member activity
  - ePrints (Glasgow)
  - DSpace (Cambridge, Edinburgh)
- Consortial activity
  - SHERPA (Nottingham)
- Digital preservation
  - SHERPA II
  - LOCKSS
  - 7 of the 9 JISC 4/04 projects involve CURL members

# DPC

- Agenda setting
- Training – DPC Fora
- Information exchange
- Advice and guidance
- Involvement in four JISC 4/04 Projects

# JISC

- JISC FAIR and X4L Projects
- JISC 4/04 Digital preservation
- JISC Repositories Programme



*An institutional repository needs to be a service with continuity behind it ... institutions need to recognise they are making commitments for the long term*

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# Objectives for the day

- Learn from the practical experience of the early adopters
- Share information on policies, procedures, standards
- Move the agenda forward
- Learn through doing and face difficulties head on ...



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