Digital Preservation in Institutional Repositories:
Welcome

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Thank you to:

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• 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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