The DAEDALUS Project: Filling the repositories

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DAEDALUS Project: Overview

- Funded by JISC FAIR Programme until July 2005

- Building institutional repositories at Glasgow

- Two strands: Advocacy & Service Development

Repositories

- ePrints: published peer-reviewed papers)

- DSpace: pre-prints, working papers, technical reports etc.

- ETD-db (Virginia tech): theses

Persuading staff to deposit content

- Depositing content in the repository will make it more accessible and therefore more visible.
- If other institutions do the same this will mean greater access to more of the published literature
- Issues relating to scholarly communications crisis
- Positive slant important

Initial Strategies

- Academics as members of Project Board
- Presentations at University committees
- 'Early adopters'
- Institution wide events

Next strategies

- Contacting staff already making papers available on personal web sites

- Journal approach, e.g. BMJ, Nature

- Publisher approach

- Importing from Faculty publications databases

Practicalities/issues: adding content

- Publisher pdf versions

- Not currently asking authors to self-archive

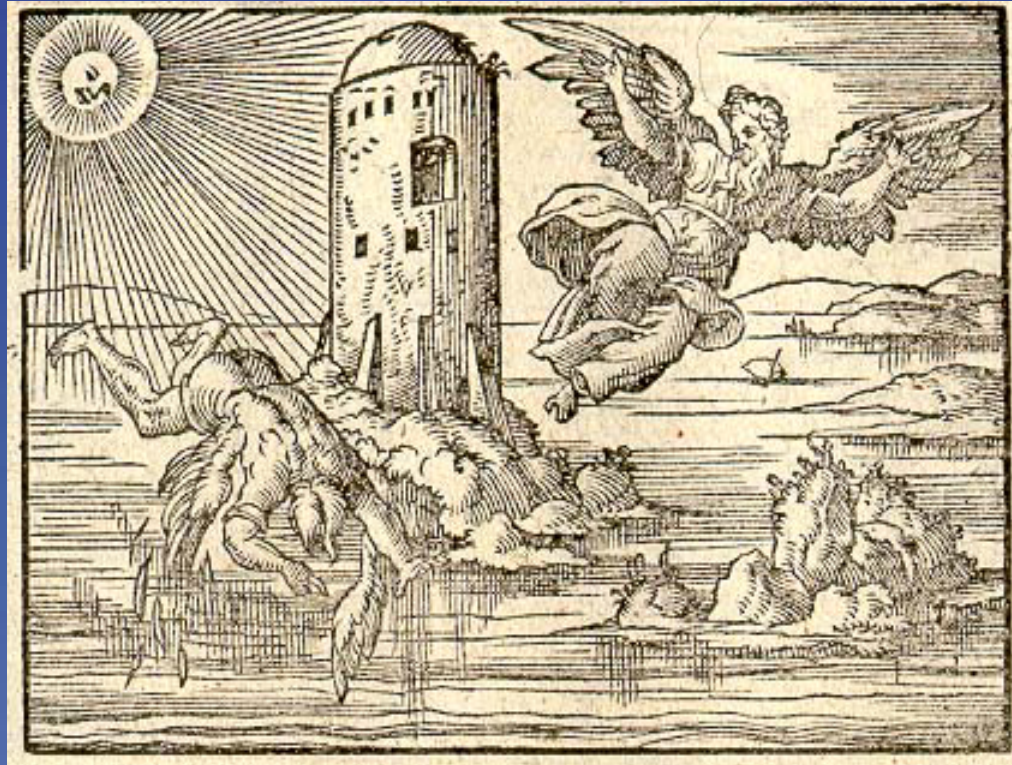- Adopting 'cautious' strategy in terms of what content is added

Conclusions

- Range of strategies necessary – no single solution to getting content

- Different short term and long term strategies

- Doing things 'by the book' – academic staff buy-in and a sustainable service

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