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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