

"OAE Project Progress"

We are extremely excited to show you what we've been able to achieve since our last visit here a year ago.

We have limited time in this session and won't be able to show you all of it right now, but hopefully you'll come and talk to us in person during the rest of the event.



Firstly we'd like to thank ESUP Portail for being apart of the OAE Project.

This community is an important example of inspiring project collaboration and achievement. All due to the hardworking, talented people and institutions who make up the organisation. I speak on behalf of the OAE Project Team as we feel very honoured to be able to work with you on the OAE, and hope to work more closely in the near future.

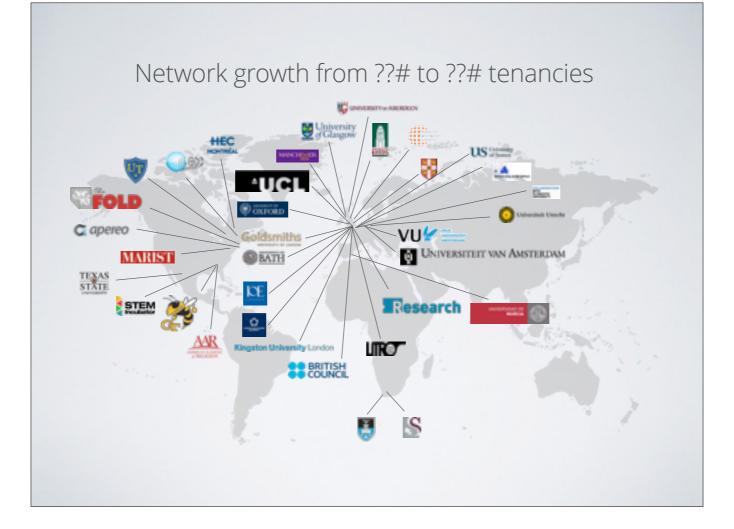
Since last year...

- 6 Major OAE releases with over 30 big updates
- Set up conversations towards schools to potentially use the OAE on 3 continents
- *Research and Independent Schools of Victoria join the OAE Stakeholder Group providing leadership, insight and resources
- OAE is already being used on 4/5 continents

As the OAE proves to be a pro-active platform of action and where people and organisations better connect with other people, the overall objective is to enhance academic lives around the world.

The Project takes on the same ethos as the software, with 6 major releases since last year and over 30 remarkable updates we are feeling quite proud of that achievement.

- We've also managed to look at how schools may benefit from the using the OAE.
- We've continue to build strong relationships with 2 new stakeholders joining the project group *Research and ISV.
- OAE is global reach is spreading and being used on 4/5 continents. We have tenants in North America, Europe, Australia. There is a deployment in Argentina and we have some tenants in Africa as well



The OAE network has grown since last year from ##? to ##? organisations.

Important work continues to improve the OAE with inspiring insight, dedicated co-operation and community participation



How do we see the OAE differently today

- Potential to foster academic reputation and recognition
- Providing autonomous capability may engage academic self-motivation and drive
- An opportunity for connected "flow" through efficiency
- Not just list of features but a purposeful mission to point towards, discuss, refine and build on:

The potential to inspire academic mastery

We'd like to share a few high-level learnings and look at how we may begin to define the OAE better (hopefully with you at this event)

We are starting to see potential ways the OAE may be able to foster academic reputation and recognition.

Theres also the idea that alongside sharing content, autonomous activities (like self-forming groups) in the OAE could engage human-motivation and academic drive.

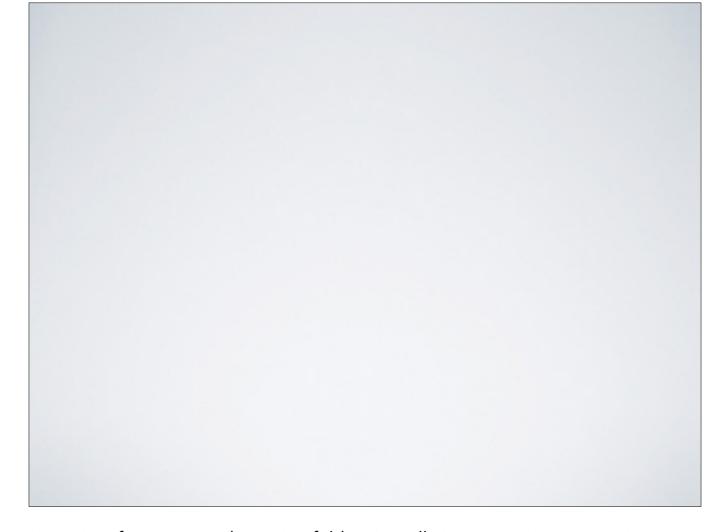
Lastly, we are seeing that pure efficiency of the OAE as centralised content, groups and discussion, may lead to a potential opportunity for "flow" (a term

in psychology related to "attention", and one of the core facets of human motivation)

Now onto the exiting new features:

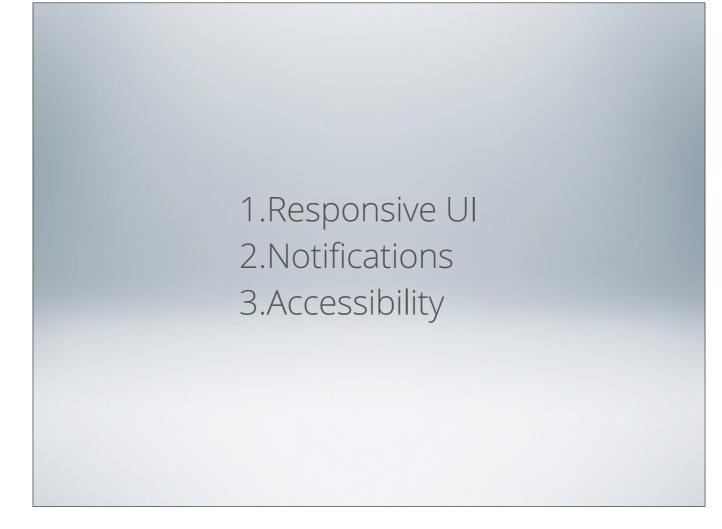


As a result of the OAE's growing network and the ease of adding files, we've come to the stage in the project where the organisation and curation of content becomes really important.

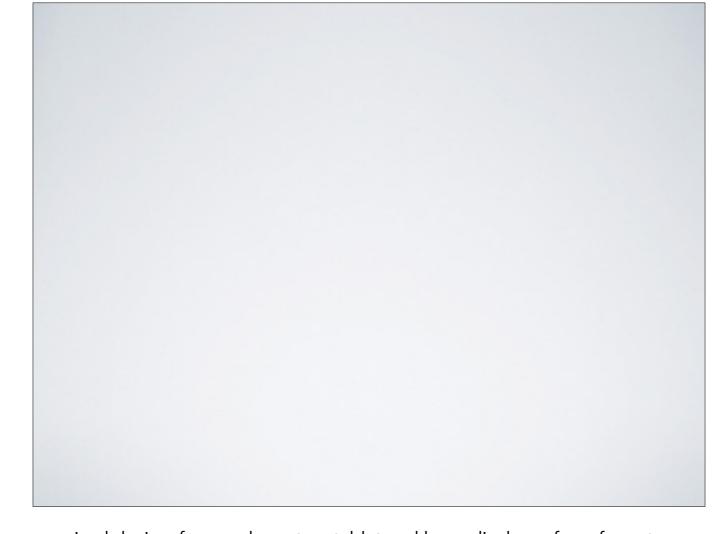


We like to talk about Folders as creating units of content, and creating folders is really just grouping content items together. Folders also share the characteristics of files and documents, where you can set the visibility or manage access and permissions, and they can even be shared and commented on. This means you have a consistent experience, and collections of content become highly collaborative. Its really nice to work comprehensively now with folders in the OAE.

Here we are seeing an edited and sped up video of one of many which we've created for you to watch later.



Next we really want to offer the capabilities of the OAE to as many people as possible, so we've done 3 things to achieve this this:



Now fully responsive, OAE works on any sized device, from a phone to a tablet and large displays of any format.

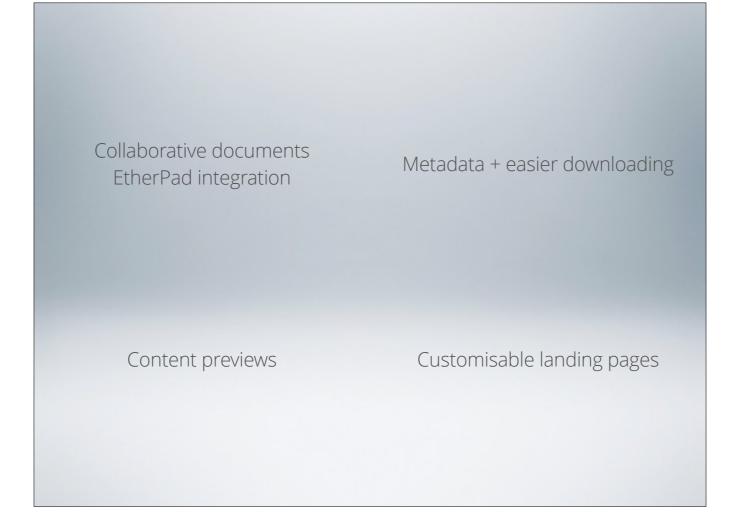
Making the experience available to more people where ever they and on what ever device they choose.

Next we have worked hard on system-wide notifications.

Email notification preferences has proved really useful in being aware of what is going on in your academic world. When something important happens within the OAE which is specifically relevant to you, then you might get an email notification, and here you can specify your preference to receive those notifications immediately or if you feel like you are receiving too many in your inbox, you can change your preference to either a daily summary email or a weekly summary email.

Lastly, we are really happy with the OAE's e-mail templates. They have been completely overhauled to provide a gorgeous design inside your inbox. The design will be more consistent with your experience of the OAE's interface, as it uses same assets and institutional branding configuration.

But most importantly we have been working with WebAIM (Web Accessibility In Mind) at Utah State University. The experts there spent many weeks using and evaluating the OAE and prepared an initial report with many recommended improvements. The recommendations from that report are captured as specific issues and we're dedicating resources to addressing them. Nearly a dozen improvements have already been incorporated into the Ibis release and we are continuing development on the remaining issues for future releases.



That's just a taste of the exiting improvements to the OAE we been able to achieve last year.

Because of time we can't show you everything, so we've put together a few videos especially for this event, that captures more really cool improvements to the OAE so we urge you to check those out, comment and work with us there.

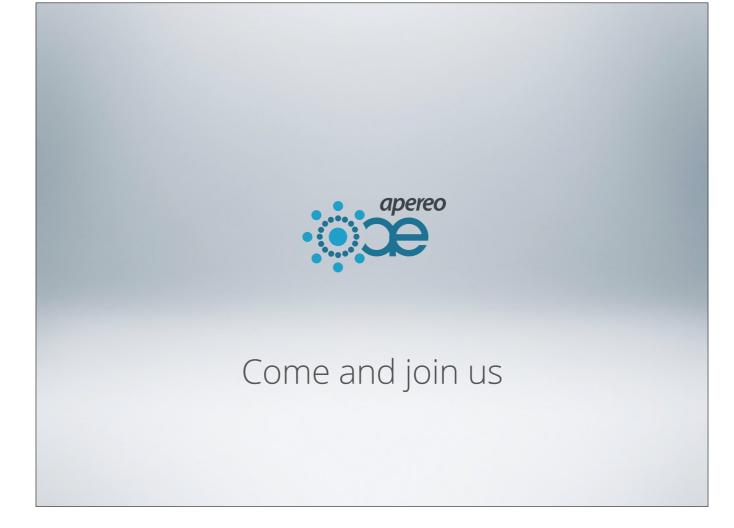
They include:

- A remarkable collaborative document experience (we like to refer to his as collaborative notes a beautiful integration with EtherPad)
- Better metadata widgets + simple content download...
- We've improved content previews (meaning much better support for Office documents)
- Also, Institutional landing pages are now fully customisable

- Full-text and message indexing
- Shibboleth Federations
- Better activity aggregation rules
- Admin tools for managing users
- User tracking (allows for detailed analysis)
- Better CAS integration
- Automated testing framework to test UI

Lastly, here some of the things we are working on now that you'll see in the OAE in the near future:

- Profile pages for people and groups
- Online meetings (like Hangouts) with ZenLive
- Invitations to people outside of the institutions/OAE network
- Annotations feature, basically attaching comments to documents and PDFs
- Collaborative documents will show specific text changes inline
- An editor role for content management and access
- A really slick and engaging presentation view for Folders
- And even new ways to discover more (for example; searching within your own institution)



That's all we have time for, so come and join our community, get a tenant on either the ESUP Portal deployment or our production environment, and work with us to make the OAE experience, appropriately valuable to the students, instructors and researchers at your institution.