

## Discussion

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Should there be a similar project to The MetaWeb project in the UK?



*Institutional Web Management Workshop*

# *The MetaWeb Project*

## Introduction

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This document gives an introduction to the MetaWeb Project. The document has been produced for use by participants on the Metadata and Web Tools sessions at the **Institutional Web Management** workshop held at Newcastle University on 15-17 September 1998.

## Aims of This Exercise

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This document gives an introduction to a number the MetaWeb project. The aim of the exercises is to provide an awareness of this project., the tools they use and the services they provide and to consider the advantages and disadvantages of the project.

## The MetaWeb Project

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### Task 1 Getting Started

In your web browser enter the address <URL:  
[http://www.dstc.edu.au/RDU/  
MetaWeb/](http://www.dstc.edu.au/RDU/MetaWeb/)>.

The web page shown in Figure 1 will be displayed.

Read the contents of this page.



Figure 1 The MetaWeb Home Page

## Task 2 Gathering Metadata

Follow the link to **Gather Your Metadata** under the list of MetaWeb Tools or enter the address <URL: <http://www.dstc.edu.au/RDU/MetaWeb/broker/control.html>>.

The screen shown in Figure 2 will be displayed.

View the contents of the page.

Please do **not** enter a URL.

Follow the link to **Sites Harvested**.

Follow the link to one of the harvested sites.

View the HTML source of the page. Notice the Dublin Core elements the page contains.



Figure 2 Gathering Metadata

## Task 3 Searching

Return to the MetaWeb Project home page or enter the address <URL: <http://www.dstc.edu.au/RDU/MetaWeb/>>.

Follow the link to **Search Your Metadata** or enter the address <URL: <http://www.dstc.edu.au/RDU/MetaWeb/broker/search.html>>.

Search for a resource from this page, such as **kangaroo** as illustrated in Figure 3.

Follow the link to one of the search hits.

Repeat the search, this time restricting the search to one of the Dublin Core elements, such as Title, Format, etc.



Figure 3 Searching

## Metadata Tools

### Task 4 Automatic Generation of Metadata

Return to the MetaWeb Project home page or enter the address <URL: <http://www.dstc.edu.au/RDU/MetaWeb/>>.

Follow the link to **Generate Your Metadata Automatically** or enter the address <URL: [http://www.dstc.edu.au/RDU/MetaWeb/Generator\\_Design.html](http://www.dstc.edu.au/RDU/MetaWeb/Generator_Design.html)>.

Read the information on this page.



Figure 4 Generating Metadata Automatically

### Task 5 Viewing List of Tools

Return to the MetaWeb Project home page or enter the address <URL: <http://www.dstc.edu.au/RDU/MetaWeb/>>.

Follow the link to **Metadata Tools and Documentation** or enter the address <URL: <http://www.dstc.edu.au/RDU/MetaWeb/software.html>>.

Read the information on this page.



Figure 5 Metadata Tools page