

## OA2 Overview and Site Planning



Building collaboration sites to communicate securely, share assets & accomplish work together online.

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## Outline



## What are we going to cover:

- Drupal
- Distributions
- Open Atrium 2 Overview
- Open Atrium 2 Planning
- OA2 Resources



## Drupal



### Open source project that serves as a content management system (CMS) and application framework.

#### **Key Features:**

- A platform for rapid website assembly
- **Enormously scalable**
- Freely extensible
- Built for social publishing
- Open to your branding
- Flexible in deployment
- Beloved by a thriving development community
- Without software acquisition or licensing costs
- Fanatical about following standards
- Proven high in security

#### The Stats:

- More than 12 years of development
- Millions of downloads
- Nearly 1 million drupal.org members
- More than 1.5 million sites
- More than 27,000 contributing developers
- More than 22,000 contributed modules

Source: Acquia



## **Drupal Distributions**



Drupal distributions provide pre-configured installations, allowing you to quickly setup a fully featured Drupal site.

- Distributions typically include installation profiles, modules, features, themes and now "apps".
- Examples:
  - OpenAtrium, OpenPublic, OpenPublish, Commerce KickStart, Drupal Commons

- Resource:
  - https://drupal.org/project/project\_distribution



## What is Open Atrium 2



### Open source collaboration software

- Connect teams, projects, and knowledge.
  - BaseCamp for the masses
- Integrate your existing software
- **Use Cases** 
  - Intranet, Social collaboration platform, Web portal, Document management, Wiki, Learning management system
- What's new in OA2
  - Drupal 7
  - Built on the Panopoly distribution
  - Bootstrap based theme (Radix)
  - Responsive, mobile ready
  - Built with more contrib and less custom
  - More framework than canned app
  - Extendable via feature module and native tools



## Core Architecture



### **Drupal, Panopoly, Contrib and Apps**

	OpenAtrium Tasks	OpenAtrium Documents	OpenAtrium Discussion	OpenAtrium Panels	Panopoly Widgets
Apps	OpenAtrium Core			Panopoly Core	
Contri	Features	Apps	Organic Groups	Panels	Views
Core	Drupal 7 core				

Source: Phase 2



Panopoly

### Out-of-the-Box Features



#### Documents

o Create, attach, store, share, and collaborate.

#### Events

Manage upcoming events with integrated calendars.

#### Discussions

Communicate, collaborate, and exchange ideas securely.

#### Multimedia

Embed, store, and access files, images, & videos. Store once. Use Sitewide.

#### Mobile Optimized

 Create, publish, and access anywhere. No app required.

#### Worktracker

o Monitor projects, milestones, & deliverables.

#### Data Security

Granular access control, sitewide.

#### Identity Management

Roles, Permissions, & LDAP integration.

#### Activity Streams

Consistently monitor work and communications at a glance.

#### Workflow

o Appropriately manage and publish content.

#### Notifications

Subscribe, notify, & respond in email.

#### • Tags & Taxonomies

 Content categorization for quick and seamless access.

#### Learning Tools

Online trainings, catalogues, and course management

#### Social Tools

Follow, like, subscribe & connect.

#### Microsites

 Easily create sub-sites & departmental landing pages.

#### Custom Dashboard

Widgets to customize your view and filter information.

#### Custom Look & Feel

 40+ fully responsive layouts, configurable banners, & unlimited colors.

#### • Tutorials & Tours

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Guide and train users with in-line walkthrough.



## OA2 Building Blocks



• Understanding the components (building blocks) and new vernacular of the system is critical to wrapping your head around the possibilities.

### People

Your OA site accommodates anyone from the anonymous internet user to collections of members on your site.



#### MEMBER

a user with access to your site's spaces



#### GROUP

a collection of users that span a related purpose across multiple spaces



#### TEAM

an ad-hoc collection of users specific to one space

### Structure

OA lets you build the information architecture that meets the need of your content.



#### SPACE

a collection of content. Similar to a filing cabinet



#### SUB-SPACE

an additional division of content within a space, like the drawer of your filing cabinet



#### SECTION

where your content actually lives on your site, like the file folder in the drawer

### Permissions

Control who has access to what content from the individual member to multiple groups of users.



#### **PUBLIC**

any registered user can see this space



#### PRIVATE

only members of the space can access the content



#### MIXED-MODE

the top level space is public, but with many private areas nested below

### Content

Open Atrium ships with the following types of content:



#### DOCUMENTS

document pages, wiki pages, articles, and document management



#### FVFNTS

calendaring with iCal integration and geolocation



#### DISCUSSIONS

forums, discussion posts, and media attachments to conversations



#### WORKTRACKER

Monitor projects, milestones, and deliverables

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### Rules Of Thumb



- There is no single "right way"
- DOs
  - Delegate: Choose 1-2 planners, not committee of 15.
  - Prototype: Plan and implement quickly. Use sandbox mode.
  - Iterate: Test, test and test your ideas.
- DON'Ts
  - DO NOT create identical content multiple times.
  - DO NOT resend the same message or post in multiple places.
  - DO NOT force users to sift through irrelevant content.
  - DO NOT move content between space in order to get approvals.
  - DO NOT go too deep in spaces/subspaces, think horizontally instead of vertically in structure, easier to secure and manage



## Site Planning



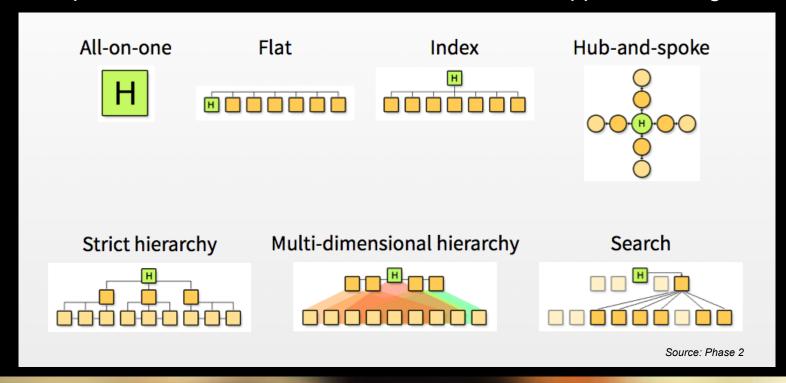
- Setup a Who, What, Why grid
  - Who: Groups and Teams
  - What: Spaces and Sections
  - Why: Content
- Questions to Ask:
  - What is the purpose of your website? (Content)
  - Who is your audience? (People)
    - Examples include an anonymous user, a user within a particular interest group, specific geographical region, organizational hierarchy, or with a specific role
  - What content will your audience need to access? (Permissions)
  - How will your audience interact with that content? (Structure)



### Information Architecture



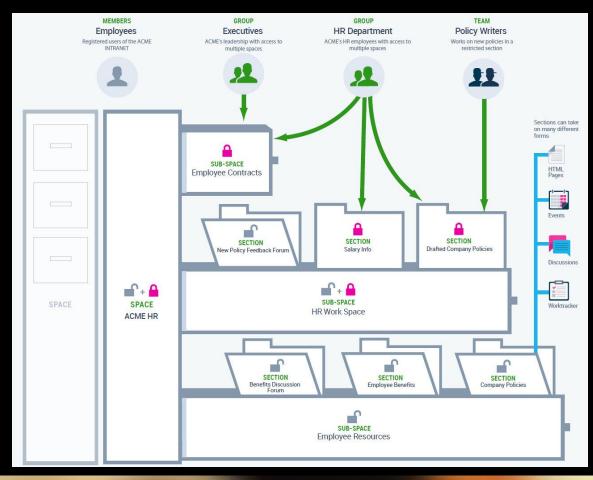
• The best information architecture from standard patterns for an Open Atrium 2 site is **strict hierarchy**, where there are homepages with specific subspaces and sections nested beneath. OA will support all though...





## Sample Structure





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### Lessons Learned



- Plan Plan Plan
- Test Test Test
- Watch all of the (current) videos on OA2 docs site
- Use sandbox mode to quickly reset from tests
- Stay current on distribution updates
  - Try not to upgrade modules that are included in distro
- Have a themer handy
- Learn Panels/Panelizer concepts
- Use Pantheon
  - Quick spin up, good performance
  - Insulates you from complexities of install
  - Can have 3 environments running



## OA2 Resources



### **Download:**

http://openatrium.com/

https://drupal.org/project/openatrium

**Community:** 

https://community.openatrium.com/

**Documentation:** 

http://docs.openatrium.com/

One Click Spinup / Hosting

https://dashboard.getpantheon.com/products/openatrium2/spinup

**Panopoly** 

https://drupal.org/project/panopoly



### OA2 Webinars



### **Planning your OA Site:**

http://vimeo.com/79901116

### **Latest Features Overview:**

http://vimeo.com/81627383

### Extending OA:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=IfStOxR9p0s

### Case Study with OA in higher education:

http://vimeo.com/85362545



## Q & A



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### Announcements



The After Party will be at The Firkin & Kegler Family Entertainment Center which is located at:

12850 Waterford Lakes Parkway, Orlando, FL 32828.

When you get there, ask where "the Loft" is.

The party will start at 6PM and goes until they kick us out.

There will be alcohol and food available.

And we'll be talking Drupal!





### What Did You Think?

Please Evaluate this session at: fldrupalcamp.org/program/schedule