

# Managing the Collective Collection: *strategies for local, group and global action*

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# four objectives

# Ensure Retention of Last Copies

*Disclose a nuanced picture of system-wide uniqueness, reflecting FRBR entity level and item characterization sufficient to enable cost-efficient management of local and group inventories*

## Recommended actions – a sample of what we heard:

- **Local:** ensure holdings are up to date; commit to periodic audit of last copies/expressions
- **Group:** explore opportunities to aggregate long-tail resources in virtual group catalogs to increase value to scholarly community
- **Global:** facilitate work-clustering of unique titles; analysis
- **Model Project:** identify redundant journal runs across multiple repositories, maximize impact by focusing on large back-files for titles available electronically; leverage RAPID data as source of detailed holdings data

# Ensure Back-up to Online Access

*Register local and commercial preservation guarantees and retention commitments at network level*

## Recommended actions – a sample of what we heard:

- **Local:** participate in networked print and digital preservation efforts
- **Group:** commit to monitor (audit) external preservation agents as part of distributed preservation investments
- **Global:** explore means of recording preservation status for licensed content in bibliographic utilities
- **Model Project** : Explore means of identifying, recording and disclosing preservation guarantee for online content, e.g., titles deposited in trusted digital repository or ingested in Portico archive; focus on licensed content.

# Expand Coverage, Reduce Cost

*Manage system-wide redundancy to promote minimum preservation guarantees; redeploy savings from print rationalization to (1) fill gaps in system-wide holdings (2) increase distinctiveness of Institutional holdings*

## Recommended actions – a sample of what we heard:

- **Local**: integrate group collection analysis tools into collection management / acquisition workflows
- **Group**: increase use of unmediated discovery/delivery for group catalogs; assess and characterize aggregate collections
- **Global**: help libraries disclose service-level guarantees and cooperative agreements as indicator of library quality
- **Model Project** : Draft guidelines or good-practice documents for libraries helping faculty to manage the transition from print to electronic

# Shared Access to Low-Use Collections

*Reduce continuing costs of preserving redundant print collections by increasing reliance on regional repositories; manage low-use collections as a shared asset in cost-efficient storage facilities*

## Recommended actions – a sample of what we heard:

- **Local:** directly accession low-use titles to storage; improve accessibility of remote holdings
- **Group:** examine and document impact of digitization and metadata enhancement on use of collections in storage
- **Global:** improve item-level disclosure
- **Model Project:** Survey storage facilities to complete statistical profiles of capacity, services, conditions, ownership models