



Towards a national repository for a library with multiple roles: the case of Qatar National Library

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Overview

- About Qatar National Library
- Potential roles of a repository
- Our design approach
- Research repository case example
- Next steps

The image shows the Qatar National Library, a modern architectural structure with a prominent cantilevered upper level. The building's facade is composed of light-colored concrete panels and a series of vertical, blue-tinted cylindrical elements that create a rhythmic pattern. The sky above is filled with soft, white clouds. The text 'Qatar National Library' is overlaid in the bottom left corner in a bold, white, sans-serif font.

Qatar National Library



*The **mission** of Qatar National Library is to preserve the nation's and region's heritage and enable the people of Qatar to positively influence society by creating an exceptional environment for learning and discovery.*

Environment for learning and discovery



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Heritage Library



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Public Library

A wide-angle, high-angle photograph of a modern public library. The space is filled with rows of white, modular bookshelves, each filled with books. The library has a multi-level design with glass railings on the upper floors. Large windows on the right side allow natural light to illuminate the space. The overall atmosphere is bright and organized.

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Research Library

The History of Qatari Architecture 1800-1950

Ibrahim M Jaidah



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HIGHLIGHTS

**NEGOTIATING THE ORIGINS
OF THE GULF'S AVIATION
INDUSTRY**

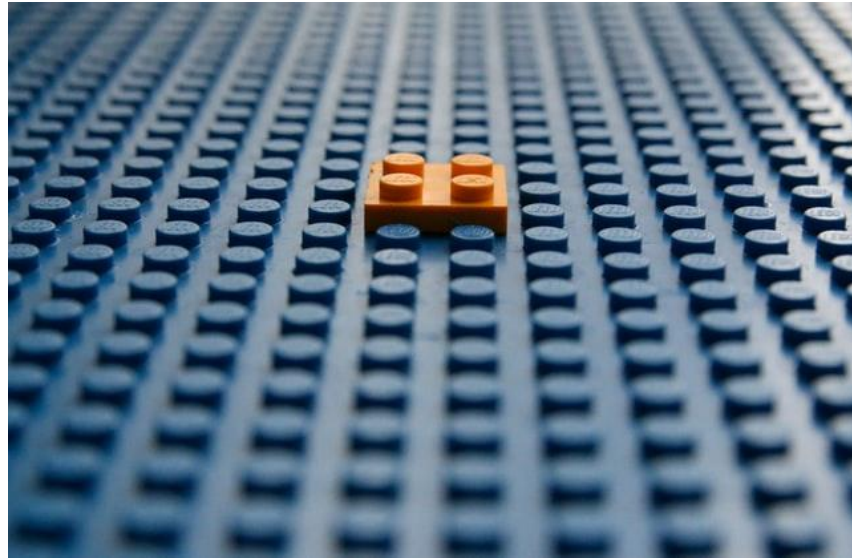


The “Ideal” Repository may be complex

- Able to handle a wide variety of content and file types
- Storage capabilities
- Curation capabilities
- Variable access and licensing requirements
- Multiple audience/user types

The “Ideal” Repository may be
challenging and time-consuming

Modular Design





Build

or



Buy

Towards a research repository:

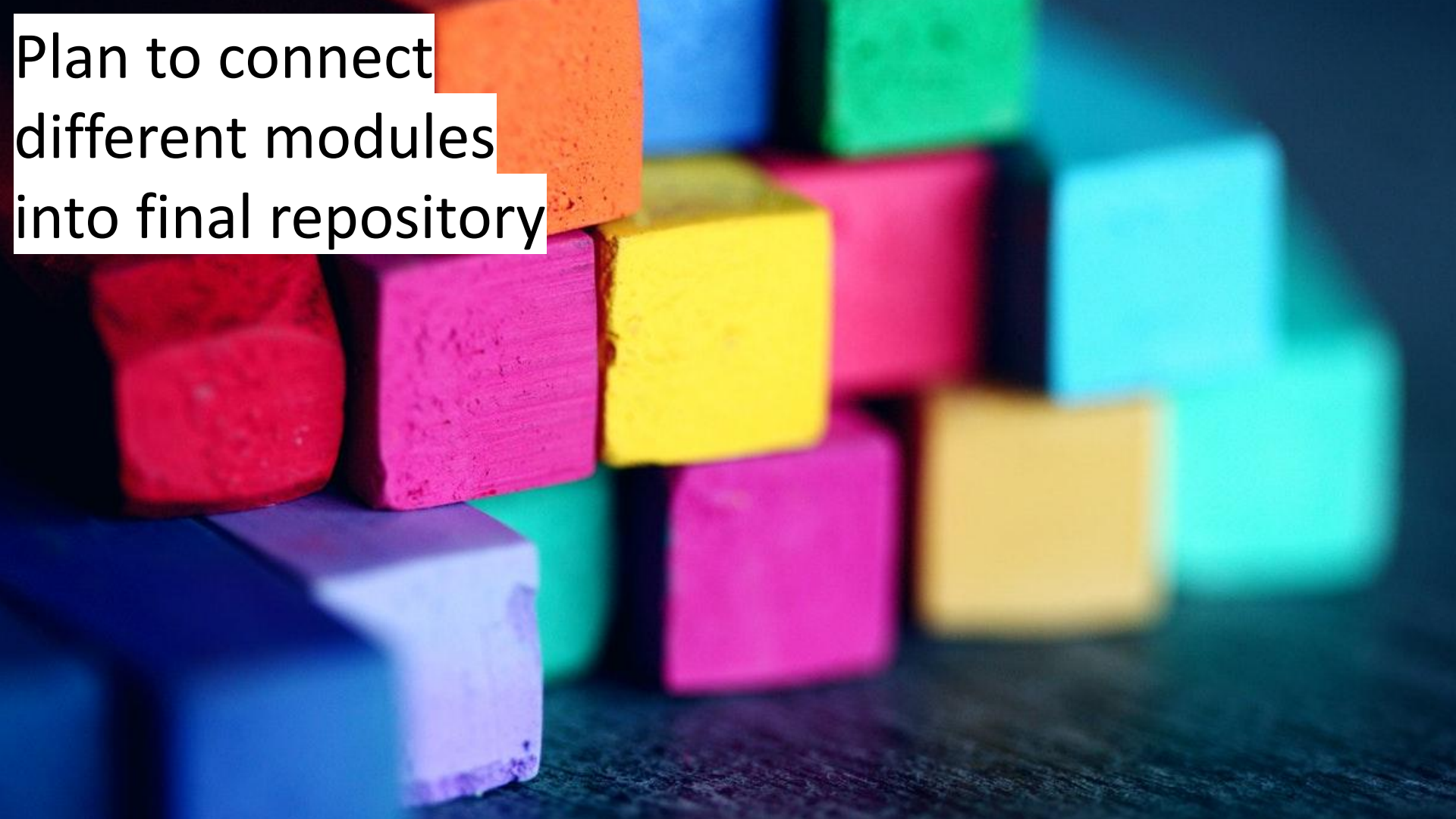
Design

- To be collaborative effort (Library and Research Funder)
- To use Software as a Service (SaaS)
- To use available cloud-storage infrastructure

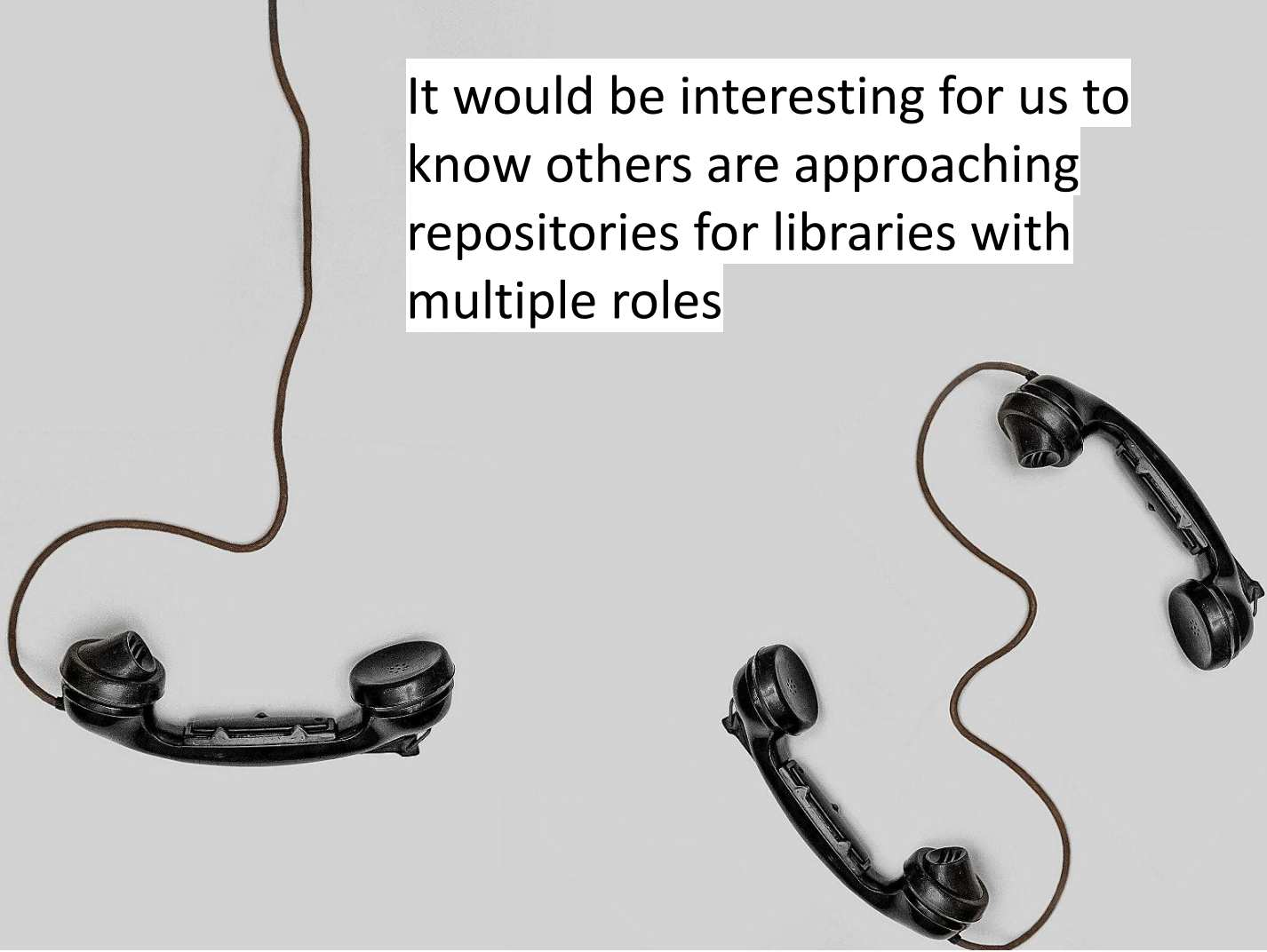
Towards a research repository: Policy

- Research data management policy
- FAIR compliance
- Review of content
- Research data policy

Plan to connect
different modules
into final repository



It would be interesting for us to know others are approaching repositories for libraries with multiple roles






Thanks!

Any questions?



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