Discussion 1: Allocation Options in Practice

Activities and Outcomes

Evaluate options, e.g., get additional funding, recover costs, reduce expenses, reallocate

1. Consider which of the four ways to secure resources is most likely to occur at your institution and why: additional funding, cost recovery, reducing expenses, or reallocation.

2. If you had to reallocate resources at your institution to support digital preservation, what would you give up, and how would you go about doing it?

3. If ingest is one of the most expensive functions, consider the pros and cons of requiring producers (transferring agencies, records creators) to shoulder the expense and effort of providing “preservable” digital objects.