Avalon as a Hosted Samvera Service: SaaS Pilot Results to Date

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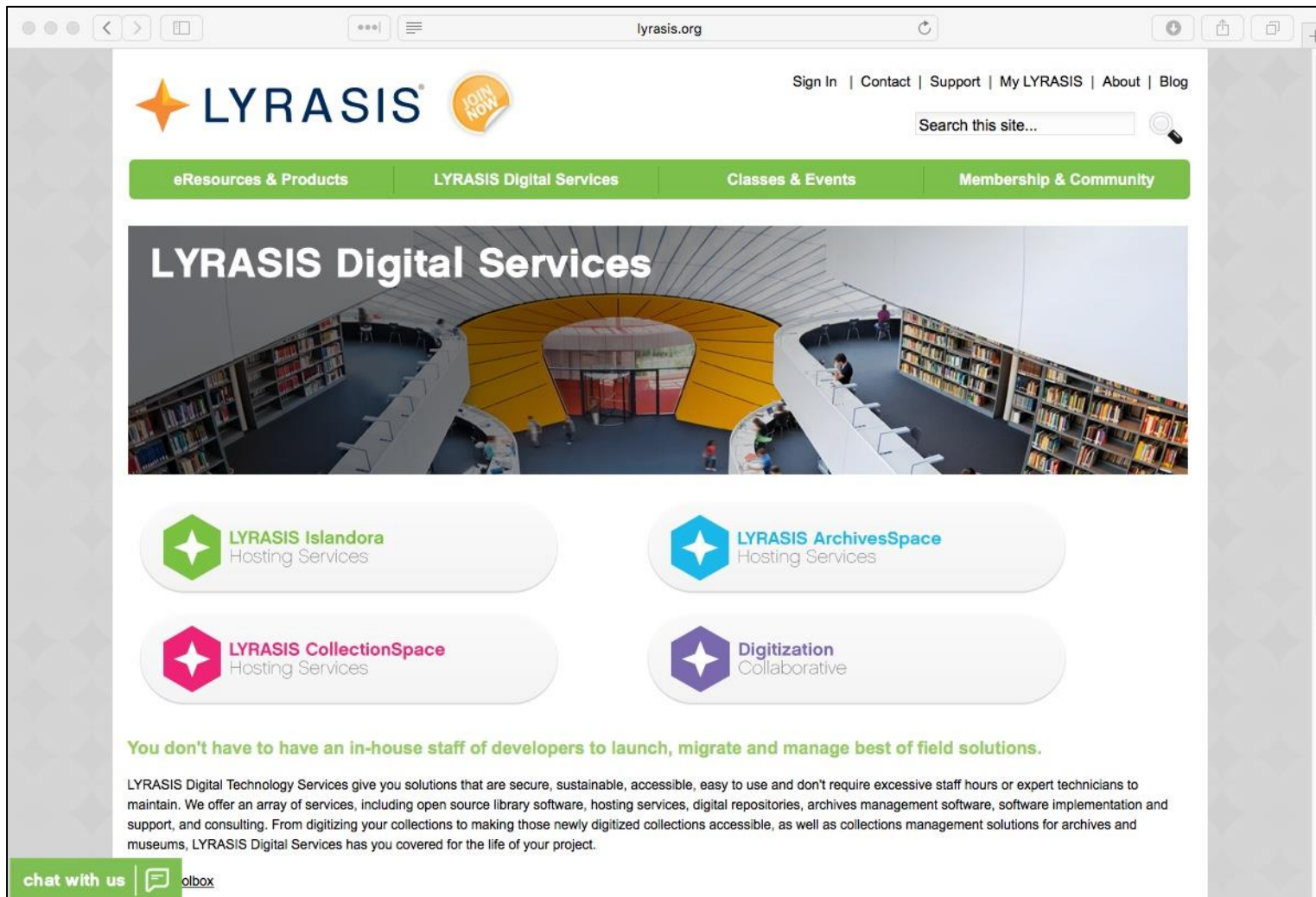
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Avalon Media System

- Open source software system that enables libraries and archives to provide access to audio and video collections

- Samvera (formerly Hydra) Solution Bundle

- Goals:
  - Easily installable and configurable
  - Serve a variety of use cases and institutions
  - Create a basis for sustainable development

- Currently in production at 10+ institutions

Partnership with LYRASIS

Pilot Partners and Use Cases

- DC Public Library
- Emerson College
- Houston Public Library
- Oberlin College
- University of Houston
- University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign
- University of Oklahoma
- University of Tennessee at Chattanooga
- University of the Arts

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Early Feedback

- Positive
  - Easy to get up and running technically
  - Easy for institutions to get started with

- Challenges
  - Supporting migration needs
  - Lack of local user management
  - Flash Player and browsers (solved in Avalon 6.3)

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Next Steps

- Move from Softlayer to AWS

- Avalon→DuraCloud synchronization

- Evaluate results of pilot

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Interested in finding out more?

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