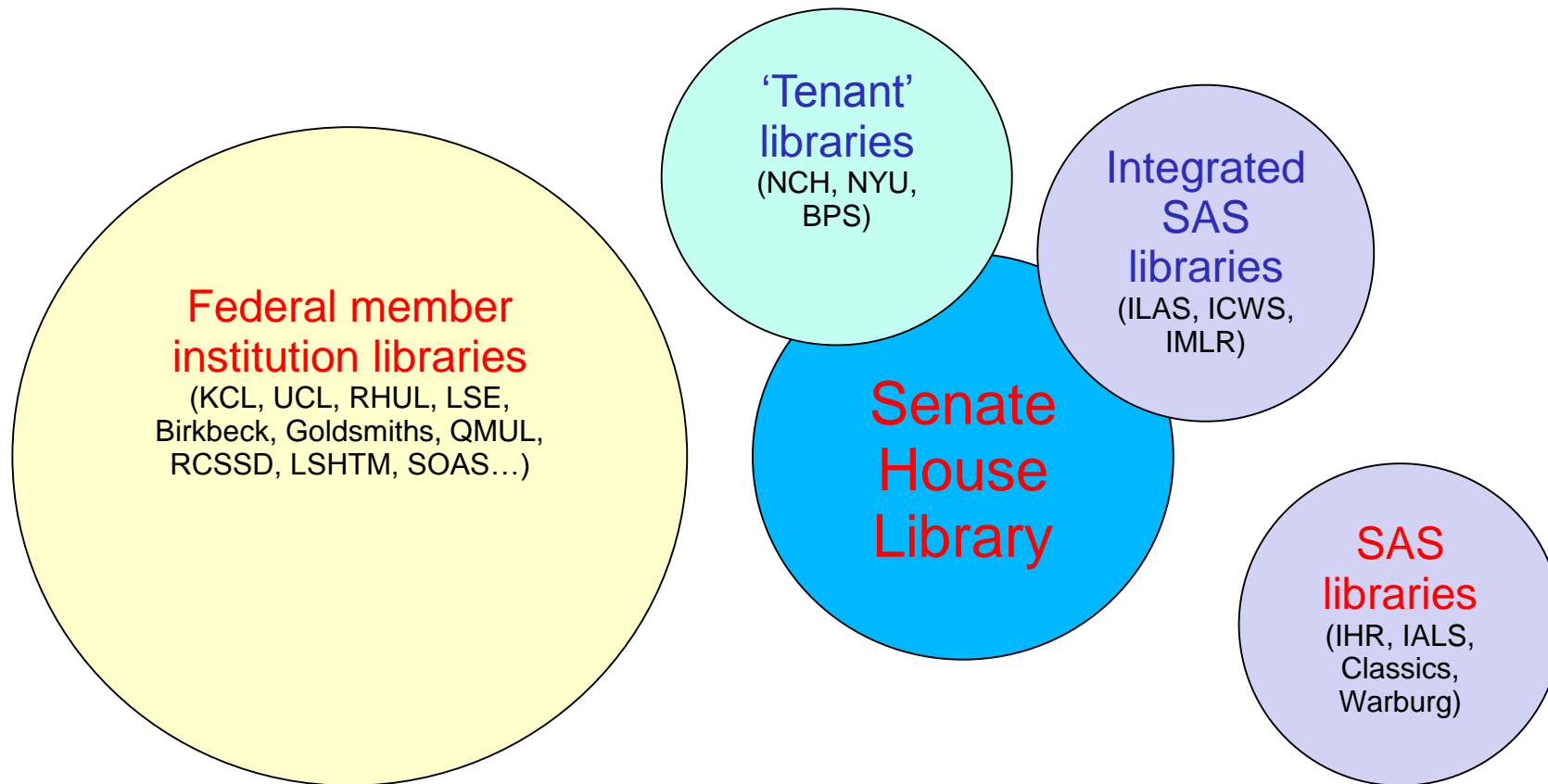




Collaborative collection development in a federal world

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Challenges

- Lack of strategy(ies) / financial sustainability
- No stock review since the 1980s
- 'For a happier life, ditch Bliss' (1992)

Infrastructure and identity

- Working together
 - Internal collection development group established November 2015
 - Federal collection advisory group established from 2016
 - SAS advisory groups established from 2016
 - Full rewrite of collection development strategy and management policy, within new strategic framework for the library

- Defining our collections
 - Redefining our core research strengths
 - Working with federal members to define 'collaborative uniqueness': special collections forum

Projects and partnerships

- Stock review, RFID tagging and reclassification (part of wider 'modernisation programme')
- Collaborative collection management framework with federal partners
 - Evaluation – 2018/19
 - Mapping – 2019/20
 - Management – 2020/21
- NBK and UKRR-M

Conclusions

- It takes time to reach a common agreement
- You have to start somewhere (procrastination doesn't work)
- Uniqueness is key to identity, but shared knowledge of uniqueness improves the user experience
- We can't keep everything – local collaborative storage solutions in partnership

Any questions?

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