

International Group of Ex Libris Users

Welcome to Stockholm and

- ANUG Meeting 3rd September in the Swedish Parliamentary Library
- S-NUG Meeting 3rd September in the Swedish Parliamentary Library
- 1st IGeLU Meeting 4th to 7th September at the Swedish Film Institute

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Welcome to the 1st IGeLU Conference!

We are very pleased to welcome you to the 1st IGeLU Conference, hosted in Stockholm at the Svenska Filminstitutet (Swedish Film Institute).

The Swedish user group of Ex Libris products has been active for a long time within the international community: participating in the annual meetings and system seminars, as well as being members of ICAU working groups and of the Steering Committee. This is an added good reason for the special pleasure we had in accepting their proposal for holding our first IGeLU meeting in Sweden.

We do hope it will constitute a good start for the future intense activities of the new association and for the level of involvement and participation of each national group.

So we would like to thank, first of all, the representatives of the Swedish Film Institute who kindly offered to host our meeting and we would like to thank for their important work all the members of the Organising Committee team, composed of: Håkan Adefjord of the Swedish University of Agricultural Sciences Library; Lisa Kullman of the Swedish Defence Material Administration Library; Inger Lagerros of the Swedish Film Institute Library; Maria Nylander of the National Institute for Working Life Library, and Christian Zeising of

The Royal Library. A special thanks also goes to Ragnar Helin of the Library of the Swedish Parliament (our editor) who chaired the team.

This meeting represents the conclusion of the formal procedure of the merge of the previous ICAU and SMUG user groups and constitutes the beginning of the new common activities that will include the users of all the Ex Libris products (ALEPH, DigiTool, MetaLib, Primo, SFX, Verde). This occasion can be seen as an important step in building a strong organisational basis for our association, and the structure of the meeting reflects this expectation. According to this aim we have decided to dedicate the first day to present and to discuss with the Assembly the new association, both from the point of view of the constitutional details and any concerns and details with regard to the management of activities and the general organisation of the working groups.

We hope you will agree with the decision to devote enough time to this aspect, as many issues have to be investigated and we are all aware of the big opportunity that could be represented by a face to face discussion of our organisational needs, in comparison with a discussion conducted simply through our forums.

Much work has been concluded from the point of view of the definition of the formal basis of the IGeLU, but we need now to discuss how we can organise the Product Working Groups and the Special Interest Working Groups and how we can “beef up” their new contents. For this reason we hope that most of you will enjoy the opportunity of discussing in depth the meaning and the role that you think IGeLU needs to play in the future.

Many of the meeting’s sessions have been organised bearing in mind your comments on the previous ICAU/SMUG meetings and especially your recommendation for a shorter meeting. For this reason, and due to the number of important subjects that we’d like to cover, we decided to introduce some parallel sessions. We are aware that is not always possible or easy to meet all the expectations for the combination of the parallel sessions, so we hope you will appreciate our efforts and we invite you to give us your comments and contributions for future meetings.

It has been possible to elaborate the agenda of the meeting thanks to the coordination of Gerard Bennett and Peter Klien with the participation and contributions of the other

"My hope is that the last scene of the 'IGeLU film' that is going to be shot at the Svenska filmhuset will show people going down the big ramp and smiling for their satisfaction!"

Guido Badalamenti

"I fear too many meetings about meetings;

I hope for insight that will help drive Ex Libris' future directions!"

Dale Flecker

"A magic tube of glue to bind the parts of IGeLU together - yet elastic enough to give each the freedom to work as independently as it needs."

Gerard Bennett

Welcome to the 1st IGeLU Conference! (cont.)

members of the IGeLU Steering Committee, of the Swedish Organising Committee and of Laura Gilinski from Ex Libris.

I'm sure that the Swedish Film Institute, together with the charm of Gamla Stan, will pro-

vide a good atmosphere for our mutual, formal and informal, exchange of experiences.

We are looking forward to a successful conference and we hope to meet you all, during the wonderful social events

organised by our colleagues and our sponsors at the Swedish Film Institute and at the fascinating Vasa Museum!

Guido Badalamenti
IGeLU interim SC Chair

International Keynoters Sessions at the IGeLU Conference

Two of the most discussed developments in the library domain will be addressed in keynote sessions at the IGeLU meeting this year:

- On Wednesday morning, Jon Dunn, Associate Director for Technology, Indiana Digital Library Program will discuss efforts to integrate library resources into the Sakai environment. Sakai is a highly visible cooperative project to build an open source on-line collaboration and learning environment. Jon Dunn is a co-director of Sakaibrary, an effort funded by the Mellon foundation to

create open source software tools to integrate access to library licensed digital content into Sakai.

- On Thursday morning, Karen Calhoun, Assistant University Librarian for Technical Services at the Cornell University Library, and Hans Geleijnse, Director of Library and IT Services & Chief Information Officer at Tilburg University will discuss the implications of a changed information environment and new models for searching on the discovery tools of the library, including the tradi-

tional opac. Hans Geleijnse is a provocative thinker who writes and speaks widely on new developments in the library environment. Karen Calhoun has long been active in bibliographic issues in the US, and is the author of a recent study done for the Library of Congress on the changing nature of the catalog (see: <http://www.loc.gov/catdir/calhoun-report-final.pdf>)

Both keynote sessions will be followed by panel discussions

Dale Flecker
for the IGeLU interim SC

Great Poster Sessions in the Foyer

GFor the 1st IGeLU meeting we are giving the poster session a more central place in the proceedings. The Swedish organizing group have facilitated this enormously by arranging for the poster sessions to take place in the foyer of the Film Institute. The posters will be literally unmissable as you come and go from the other sessions. The timing of them – on the first day, for the whole of the afternoon, will give us all early exposure to their content and stimulate discussion for the rest of the meeting. We have 9 posters covering user developments in Aleph, SFX

and MetaLib. The people to thank for these are Jason Cooper from Loughborough University in the UK (Simplifying local categories in SFX); Janet Lefkovitz from Hebrew University in Jerusalem (Regulating short term loans in a complex multi-adm library system); Margaret Flett from University College London (MARCIt! and other SFX/Aleph integrations); Bas Vat, University of Leiden, The Netherlands, (Online updating from OCLC PICA's CBS to Aleph), Leon Krauthausen, Free University, Berlin (Easy Reporting for Aleph sites using a script repository); Bill Pollard

from Anglia Ruskin University (UK) (Holds without Hold-ups – empowering the user with Bib Level Requests); Marco Streefkerk, Amsterdam University (Integrating access to 25 libraries using the MetaLib portal concept); Torben Sorensen, Roskilde Library (Denmark) (Online payment of Aleph fines); and Dale Flecker (on behalf of Dianne Stronach), Harvard University, US (A test of the Aleph software escrow in the US). Warm thanks to all of them!

Gerard Bennett
for the IGeLU interim SC

Excellent ANUG—what does this mean for ALEPH users?

National User Groups facilitate the sharing of knowledge, expertise and experience in a way that more people are able to participate in activities than International User Groups due to relatively close proximity and first language communication. Thus the Aleph National User Groups which have developed in many countries over the past few years are able to significantly enhance the user experience provided by the International User Group (previously ICAU and now IGeLU). Conversely the International User Group provides opportunities for such dialog and networking across borders

– so a close relationship between ANUG and IGeLU is one that benefits all users in many ways.

IGeLU Interim Steering Committee discussions during the past year with Ex Libris have also relied strongly on input from ANUG members, providing an excellent alternative conduit for user comment to reach Ex Libris.

The tradition has developed where representatives of the Aleph National User Groups meet prior to the annual user group meetings to share their many and diverse experiences of both the Aleph system and

the vendor, including the local distributors, thus globalizing the user experience in a small environment.

Representatives of ANUG are requested to provide a short report of their National User Group's activities, successes and concerns in advance of the annual ANUG meetings, which reports prompt questions, comments and lively debate at the meeting.

See you in Stockholm and please keep those ANUG reports rolling in ...

Pat Busby
for the IGeLU interim SC

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“The whole is greater than the sum of its parts’ - my hope is that IGeLU will prove this correct to the benefit of us all!”

Pat Busby

Lucky S-NUG—what does this mean for SFX/MetaLib users?

In parallel with the traditional A-NUG meeting, you will find a new acronym: S-NUG.

S-NUG stands for a pre-conference meeting of SFX/MetaLib National User Groups. Why such a meeting you may ask? Don't we have IGeLU now, covering the interests of all users and all the products? Yes, you are absolutely right, but on the national or regional level the situation might still be a little different.

In some countries there are still two different national user groups (one for SFX/MetaLib and another one for ALEPH).

This is the case in the German speaking countries for example. In others, joint national user groups were founded. Just think of ELUNA in North-America.

However, in a few countries such as Finland there exist only SFX/MetaLib users, but

no single ALEPH user.

The S-NUG meeting provides opportunities for discussions on the future of national user groups, their activities, successes and concerns. Let's decide afterwards whether or not the first S-NUG should better be the last. It is an experiment and another great networking opportunity.

Beate Rusch
for the IGeLU interim SC

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“The most interesting part of most meetings are the talks in between, the discussions during the breaks. In this sense, I would like the first IGeLU conference in Stockholm to become a continuous break.”

Beate Rusch

A Unique Experience—IGeLU

Veteran Ex Libris customers, that have been affiliated with IGeLU (previously ICAU and SMUG) for years, may take for granted the unique experience that this gathering of customers represents.

Newcomers are amazed at how this independent group convenes year after year to brainstorm about how to continue to enhance and improve the daily work of thousands of libraries of different types and

sizes around the world.

The time we spend mulling over new technologies is as valuable and rewarding as the time we spend enjoying each other's company. We envision that the upcoming IGeLU meetings will, like those of its predecessors—ICAU and SMUG—be renowned not only for in-depth discussion but also for exciting cultural events, good food, good spirits, and best of all—good con-

versation. Our years together have created long-term friendships based on mutual admiration and respect.

The open channels of communication we enjoy with you have always been essential to the Company's development of top-tier products for the automation of libraries and research centers.

Laura Gilinski
for Ex Libris

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“The Ex Libris team eagerly looks forward to many future years of close cooperation and joint innovation.

Worries...hmmm... should I ask for red wine or white?”

Laura Gilinski

Monday, September 4th

1st IGeLU Conference, Stockholm, Sweden, 4-7 September 2006

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Monday
4 September 18.00

Reception at the
Swedish Film Institute
sponsored by Ex Libris

08.00-09.00	Registration
09.00-10.30 Victor	1: Opening Session IGeLU Organisation I
10.30-11.00	Coffee
11.00-12.30 Victor	2: IGeLU organisation II
12.30-14.00	Lunch (voting for the Chair during lunch!)
14.00-15.30 Victor	3a: ALEPH Product Working Group Meeting I Establishment and constitution
14.00-15.30 Mauritz	3b: Verde Product Working Group Meeting I Establishment and constitution
14.00-15.30 Hall	3c: Poster sessions
15.30-16.00	Coffee
16.00-17.30 Victor	4a: SFX/MetaLib Product Working Group Meeting I Establishment and constitution
16.00-17.30 Mauritz	4b: DigiTool Product Working Group Meeting I Establishment and constitution
16.00-17.30 Hall	4c: Poster sessions

Tuesday, September 5th

Tuesday
5 September 19.00

Reception at the Vasa
Museum sponsored by
the Swedish ALEPH
libraries (Alephswe) and
Fujitsu

09.00-09.30 Victor	5: Greetings from Matti Shem Tov President and CEO Ex Libris
09.30-11.00 Victor	6a: Ex Libris product developments I ALEPH: What's new and what's coming—Dalia Mendelsson, Ex Libris New ALEPH ILL client: Workflow overview—Dalia Mendelsson, Ex Libris
09.30-11.00 Mauritz	6b: Users' product experiences / solutions I MetaLib/SFX: integration in the institution
11.00-11.30	Coffee
11.30-13.00 Victor	7a: Ex Libris product developments II ARC: What's new and what's coming—Ron Peled, Ex Libris DigiTool: What's new and what's coming—Yaniv Levi, Ex Libris
11.30-13.00 Mauritz	7b: Users' product experiences / solutions II Shibboleth
13.00-14.15	Lunch (voting for the SC during lunch!)
14.15-15.30 Victor	8: Strategic update / Primo Oren Beit-Arie, Ex Libris
15.30-16.00	Coffee
16.00-17.30 Victor	9a: Ex Libris product developments III MetaLib: What's new and what's coming—Karen Groves, Ex Libris SFX: What's new and what's coming—Nettie Lagace, Ex Libris
16.00-17.30 Mauritz	9b: Users' product experiences / solutions III Focus Group feedback Sanity checks in ALEPH
17.30-18.30 Various rooms	10a-d: Product Working Group Meetings II: ALEPH, ML/SFX, Verde, DigiTool

09.00-10.00 Victor	<i>11: Integrating library services in the university environment I</i> Sakaibrary—Jon Dunn, Indiana University Blomington, USA
10.00-11.00 Victor	<i>12: Integrating library services in the university environment II</i> Panel discussion—Peter van Boheemen, Kingsley Boulton, Jon Dunn, Robert Garrity, Owen Stephens
11.00-11.30	<i>Coffee</i>
11.30-13.00 Victor	<i>13: Ex Libris: Questions & Answers</i> Matti Shem Tov, Marc Daubach, Einat Zviran, Oren Beit-Arie, Yoav Eder
13.00-14.30	<i>Lunch</i>
14.30-16.00 Victor	<i>14a: Ex Libris product developments IV</i> Verde: What's new and what's coming—Ted Koppel, Ex Libris
14.30-16.00 Mauritz	<i>14b: Users' product experiences / solutions IV</i> MetaLib : MetaIndex Students' experience of MetaLib and Google Scholar—Glenn Haya, Stockholm University & Else Nygren, Uppsala University, Sweden Usability of the MetaLib/SFX applications and their organizational impact—Jonas Sjöström, Jönköping International Business School, Sweden MetaIndex in use in Finland—Ari Rouvari, National Library of Finland
16.00-16.30	<i>Coffee</i>
16.30-18.00 Victor Mauritz Library PC-Room Corner Room	<i>15a: Pivotal</i> —Nina Keren-David, Ex Libris <i>15b-e Special Working Groups Meetings</i> b: MetaLib/SFX consortia c: Shared systems (ALEPH consortia) d: Public libraries e: IOGA (International Organisations Group ALEPH)
16.30-18.00 Auditorium	<i>15f: Users' product experiences / solutions V</i> Syndetics & ALEPH—presentation Open slot

**Wednesday,
September 6th**

**1st IGeLU Conference,
Stockholm, Sweden,
4-7 September 2006**

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*Wednesday
6 September 18.30
Guided tours through
various Stockholm
libraries*

09.00-10.45 Victor	<i>16: Libraries, OPACs, and a changing discovery landscape</i> Karen Calhoun—Cornell University, USA Hans Geleijnse—Tilburg University, The Netherlands
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10.45-11.15	<i>Coffee</i>
11.15-12.15 Victor	<i>17: Libraries, OPACs, and a changing discovery landscape</i> Panel discussion—Oren Beit-Arie, Ex Libris, Karen Calhoun, Hans Geleijnse
12.15-13.00 Victor	<i>18: Primo—follow up</i> Oren Beit-Arie, Ex Libris
13.00-14.30	<i>Farewell Lunch</i>

**Thursday,
September 7th**

“I wish that for the SMUG community the first 'cultivated' fruits grown from the IGeLU tree by the efforts of a few pioneers will taste even better than the 'wild' ones of previous meetings.

I fear that only when many 'cultivators' from the community will answer to the calls and take over responsibilities soon, the IGeLU tree can become strong and fruitful.”

Marco Streefkerk

Call for Candidates

Dear IGeLU members!

A new organisation needs new faces and new energy! In the past weeks there were several calls for candidates in our mailing lists for the Chair and the Steering Committee of IGeLU and for the Executive Committees (working bodies) of the new Product Working groups for SFX / MetaLib, ALEPH, DigiTool and Verde.

The importance of an active Steering Committee for the success of an international organisation is evident. The role of the Chair is particularly important for smooth and trustworthy communication and cooperation with our vendor Ex Libris.

According to the Statutes of IGeLU the Product Working

Groups are the pillars on which IGeLU stands – the basis for the successful work of our new organisation. Thus it is extremely important to find knowledgeable users who are willing and able to devote their knowledge and some of their time to help IGeLU achieve its main goals:

- to promote information exchange amongst institutions that use Ex Libris products in order to enhance their library services by sharing information, documentation and resources; and
- to work for the user community in development cooperation with our vendor Ex Libris.

If you are interested, please don't hesitate to answer the call for candidates for the position that

you believe fits you best! Send a brief description of your experiences and qualifications to the IGeLU Chair Guido Badalamenti [<badalamenti@unisi.it>](mailto:badalamenti@unisi.it) and if applicable to the interim Coordinators of the Product Working Groups who published the calls.

IGeLU needs you!

*Jirka Kende
for the IGeLU interim SC*

User Ex Libris Development Cooperation

The above call for candidates points out the important task of “working for the user community in development cooperation with our vendor Ex Libris”. To give you a clearer idea of this cooperation as practiced up till now within the frameworks of ICAU, I would like to name besides the enhancements request procedure for single functionalities of ALEPH especially the working or focus groups. These groups consist of users and Ex Libris staff working intensively together on wider fields of

common interest in enhancing the Ex Libris product suite where those fields have been identified either by the user community or Ex Libris. Here are some examples of such groups: ALEPH Reporting (resulting in ARC), ALEPH X-Server, Course Reserves, Inter Library Loan (resulting in a new ILL module), Staff Permissions, New Client Interface, MetaLib User Interface, Electronic Resource Management (resulting in Verde) etc. For more details see <http://www.igelu.org/>.

Although IGeLU might find new ways of development cooperation with Ex Libris, some of the ICAU practices may serve as an inspiration.

*Jirka Kende
for the IGeLU interim SC*

“Much too much internal affairs this year - that is my fear!

Right the time needed to start the whole thing over again: by talking, discussing and moving ahead - that is my hope!”

Peter Klien

Welcome to Filmhuset in Stockholm!

This year's conference is taking place in the interesting Filmhuset (the Film House) in Stockholm.

Filmhuset is a meeting place for everybody interested in film and moving pictures. The house was built 1968-1971 by the world famous architect Peter Celsing (1920-1974) who won the competition which resulted in Filmhuset. Celsing often worked in a brutalist style with large exposed grey concrete surfaces and according to some he created one of the most beautiful buildings in Stockholm, according to others the building is a block of concrete. No matter what you think, this 24,000 sq. m building with a variety of activities under the same roof, open to the public everyday of the year, is somewhat unique.

You can find every aspect of film here, including the library, picture archive, three cinemas, film club, studios and the film shop.

The conference will use two of the three cinemas in Filmhuset. They are named after three legends in Swedish film from the silent era: Mauritz after Mauritz Stiller (1823-1898), director and the man who discovered Greta Garbo, and Victor after Victor Sjöström (1879-1960), director and actor. The third cinema is Julius, named after Julius Jaenzon (1885-1961), film photographer and director.

Don't miss:

- Filmhuset has no windows on the northern side facing the Swedish Defense Material Administration because

of security reasons. Celsing instead placed an eye on the wall as an ironic gesture: "we can see you"

- The art piece on wall in the foyer with scenes from famous Swedish films
- The small Greta Garbo exhibition in the foyer

*Maria Nylander
Organising Group*



The Film House, built by the architect Peter Celsing (1920-1974)

Six Restaurant Tips from the Organising Group

Håkan Adefjord prefers his whiskey at *Glenfiddich Warehouse No68*.

Swedish cuisine. Impressive assortments of whiskey and beer.

Address: Västerlånggatan 68. Underground to Gamla Stan.

Ragnar Helin works close to *Grill Ruby*.

Popular restaurant in the old town. Grilled food as specialties.

Address: Österlånggatan 14. Underground to Gamla Stan

Lisa Kullman thinks *Koh Pangan* is divine

Looking for a rainforest in Stockholm? Visit Koh Pangan if you, like Lisa, like divine thai food.

Address: Skånegatan 57, underground Medborgarplat-

sen. In this area you find many other nice restaurants as well.

Inger Lagerros chooses *Halv grek plus turk..*

A very good restaurant serving Mediterranean food. They also have the lunch restaurant in Museum of Mediterranean and Near Eastern Antiquities called *Bagdad Café*.

Address: Jungfrugatan 33. Underground to Karlaplan, Stadion or Östermalmstorg

Maria Nylander eats Sunday dinner at *Blå Dörren*.

Good restaurant with relaxed atmosphere serving Swedish food.

Address: Södermalms Torg 6, close to Hilton. Underground to Slussen.

Christian Zeising goes to *Tudor Arms* for "Quiz Nite" and to watch football.

Tudor Arms is the first British pub in Stockholm opened in 1969. They claim to be the only true British pub in town. "Quiz Nite" on Mondays.

Address: Grevgatan 31 by the corner of Storgatan. Underground: Östermalmstorg or Karlaplan.

Webaddress: <http://www.tudorarms.com>

You'll find these and more of our tips in the information desk during the conference!

*Maria Nylander
Organising Group*



Cinema Victor, named after the famous director Victor Sjöström (1879-1960)



To the right is the entrance to the Library. The door to the left used to lead to a theatre but it isn't in use any more. It's only kept as a protected monument to the architect Peter Celsing.



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Welcome to IGeLU

IGeLU:

The International Group of Ex Libris Users

As we all know, insufficient communication is the source of much disappointment. IGeLU provides an open and transparent organization for all users of all Ex Libris products.

IGeLU: promotes information exchange among institutions that use Ex Libris products in order to enhance their library services by sharing information, documentation and resources; and represents the user community in dealings with the vendor, Ex Libris.

IGeLU is the successor organisation of ICAU and SMUG.



***The happy
1st IGeLU
Conference
Organising
Group***

From the left:

Maria Nylander—National Institute for Working Life Library, Ragnar Helin—Library of the Swedish Parliament, Håkan Adefjord—Swedish University of Agricultural Sciences Library, Lisa Kullman—Swedish Defence Material Administration Library, Inger Lagerros—Swedish Film Institute Library, Christian Zeising—The Royal Library