Verde implementation at UGent.

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UGent situation

- ca. 250 libraries:
  - University library (central)
  - 10 faculty libraries
  - + 200 department libraries

- E-resource collection:
  - +300 a&i databases / websites
  - +16,000 e-journals
  - +200,000 e-books

- Ex Libris products:
  - Aleph, SFX & Verde
Why ERM?

- Need for one central point for all ERM info
  - contract & license info
  - admin & contact info
- Cost per use analysis
- Display messages to end users
- Historical data
Chronological overview

- March – april 06: UKB presentations of 3 different erm providers. Endeavor (meridian), VTLS (Verify) and Ex Libris (Verde)
- End 2006: decision to buy Verde
- Febr. 07: Ex Libris training
- Febr – august 07: on & off testing Potsdam seminar
Ugent Verde setup

- Keep it simple!
  - Single instance installation (RUG & TST)
  - 3 admin users
  - No interaction with Aleph
  - Probably no workflows
  - Keep local tailoring to an absolute minimum
Were are we?

- Added staff users
- Populated the organizations and libraries section of verde.
- Localization of the KB from SFX
- Added admin, access, acquisition & license attributes for some active e-products (test)
- Tests sfx-verde interaction, SOAP, ...
Problems encountered

- Testing is cumbersome
  - because of the complexity of some processes in Verde (indexing, sfx-synchronization)
  - because of lack of documentation: bug or feature?
- Problem with sfx-verde interaction
Wish list

- Addition of a&i databases to CKB
- Extra documentation
- Standards: SUSHI (cost per use analysis) and XML license expression format
- Overlap analysis
- More elaborate SOAP interface
- ...
Future

- Test enhanced sfx-verde interaction (promised for september service pack)
- Decide on minimal acquisition & license data
- In production 1st Q 2008