OpenURL everywhere in all e-journal editor sites

An Initiative of Solvay

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Solvay’s short description

- Solvay is a Chemical and a Pharmaceutical Company
- ± 30,000 employees & 20,000 IT Users
- Using Aleph since 1994
- SFX user since the end of last year. In production since May 2007
Why using SFX in Solvay?

- To give access to e-journals (mainly FullText) to our users
- To track user’s activities for allocating cost purposes: who has accessed to what and when? How much money does any dept. have to pay for this service?

How to achieve the second goal?

- By recording each and every e-journal related transaction in the SFX statistic module.

What do we need?

- 1°) Every editor site provides access to any e-journal resource via an OpenURL (OpenLink):
  - For inter-editor traffic (often used yet)
  - For intra-editor traffic (to replace direct linking)
- 2°) All A-Z list clicks should also be recorded in the SFX statistics module
Smart Linking with SFX

Solvay’s initiative

- We have written down a letter to major e-journals editors, asking them to make the open link technology (OpenURL) available for all inter-editor and all intra-editor traffic.
- We try to convince as many SFX/link resolver users as possible to support our initiative.
- Regarding the A-Z list, we are introducing an enhancement request to Ex-Libris.

=> Actions:
- Ex-Libris & IGeLU are informed & involved.
- All SFX User companies will receive a copy of the letter.
- The letter is being sent to editors on behalf of a group of companies (Patent Documentation Group, IGeLU?, …).
Thank you for your attention.