



Chair's report on IGeLU activities

2nd Annual Meeting in Brno
September 2007

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Welcome to the conference!

291 participants representing 130 institutions from 25 countries:

Australia, Austria, Belgium, Czech Republic, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Iceland, Israel, Italy, Latvia, Luxemburg, Netherlands, Norway, Poland, Portugal, South Africa, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Taiwan, United Kingdom, USA

Users of Aleph, Voyager, SFX, MetaLib, Digitool, Verde, Primo

Who performed the activities?

Steering Committee

Ana Azevedo, Pat Busby, Michele Newberry, Beate Rusch, Guido Badalamenti and Dale Flecker

PWG Coordinators

Lukas Koster for SFX und MetaLib, Gerard Bennett für ALEPH, Pascal Calarco for Digitool, Andreas Sabisch for Verde, Lesley Gray and Simon Huggard for Voyager

Other active members of the PWGs and SIWGs and volunteers

Marcus Zerst, Peter Klien, Christoph Krempe, Ragnar Helin and many more

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Endeavor merger

Intensive discussions between IGeLU SC, Ex Libris, ELUNA SC and EndUser Board since November 2006 about the impact on

- the company
- the product suite development
- the organization of the user community

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Integrating EndUser

At the EndUser meeting in Schaumburg in April 2007 it was agreed that

- EndUser transforms in to a new PWG in IGeLU (and ELUNA)
- members of the EndUser Board become interim members of the respective SCs till 2008 to ease the transition

Effective collaboration between IGeLU, Ex Libris and ELUNA

Enhancing Communication

New channels of communication necessary due to new organizational structure

- regular reporting between SC and PWGs
- regular conference calls between PWGs of IGeLU, ELUNA and Ex Libris product managers
- new mailing lists
- new website: **No penguins, what do we do instead??**



Product and Special Interest Working Groups

Main tasks of PWGs after the first IGeLU meeting in Stockholm

Establishment of the working bodies, creating or updating the website sections and mailing lists for the respective Working groups, setting up or adjusting enhancement procedures in cooperation with ELUNA, submitting content for the System seminar, Focus groups and the Annual meeting

Special Interest Working Groups

ALEPH consortia, MetaLib/SFX consortia, Special libraries, Aleph Reporting Center

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Development cooperation with Ex Libris

Frame agreement with Ex Libris on product development cooperation and with ELUNA on joint procedures for all non Aleph products

First agreements on product level between IGeLU, ELUNA and Ex Libris for SFX, MetaLib and Digitool

New database for submitting, processing and prioritizing of enhancement requests

New Focus Group on eBooks, security and Oracle issues

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Total Cost of Ownership

Collaborative pre-release testing for

- MetaLib version 4 in December 2006
- ALEPH version 19 in November 2007

Ongoing efforts in respect of improvements of Pivotal, of the quality control and the quality of support and documentation

System Seminar in May 2007 in Potsdam

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IGeLU Membership

Steady growth

Highest membership since foundation of ICAU and SMUG

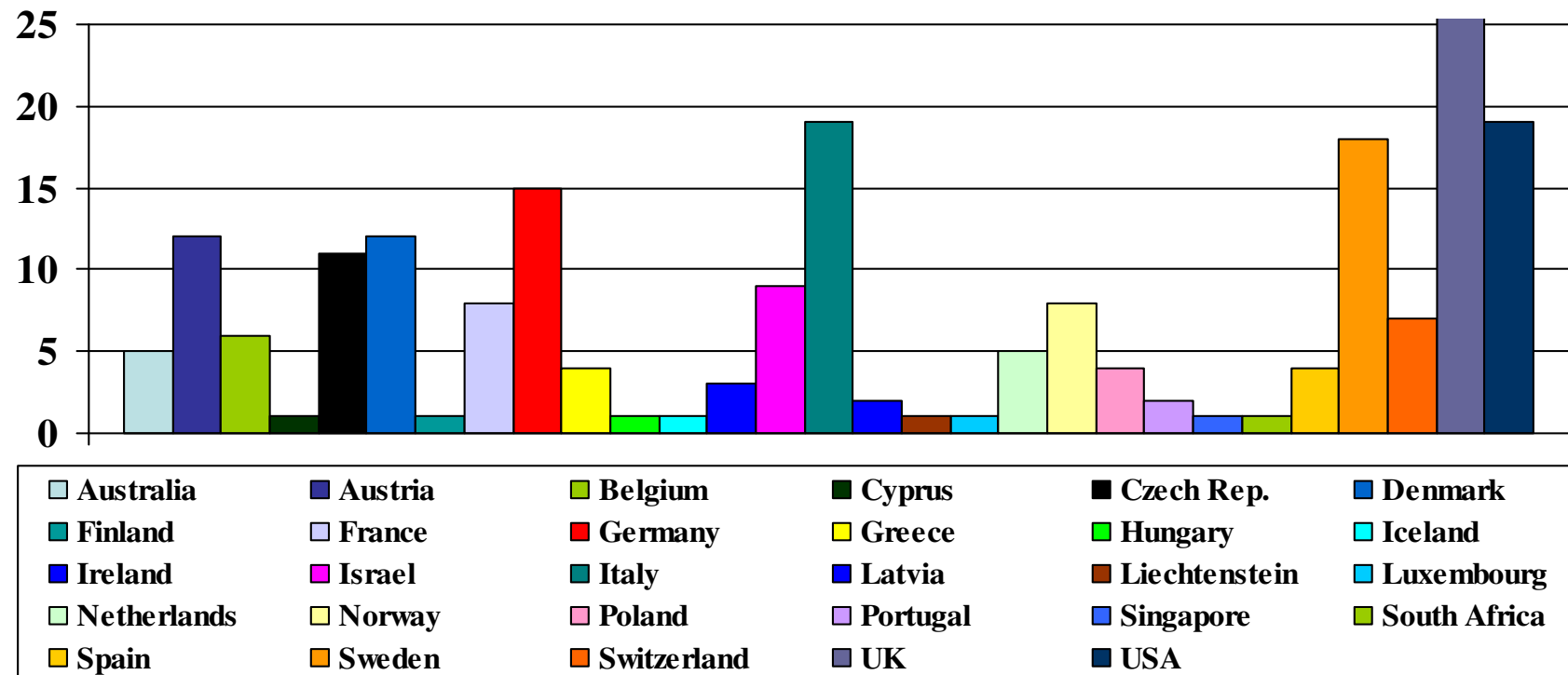
Members from 32 countries

High membership: UK, USA, Italy, Sweden, Germany, Austria, Czech Republic, Denmark, Israel, Norway, France, Australia

Users of all Ex Libris products, including new Voyager customers

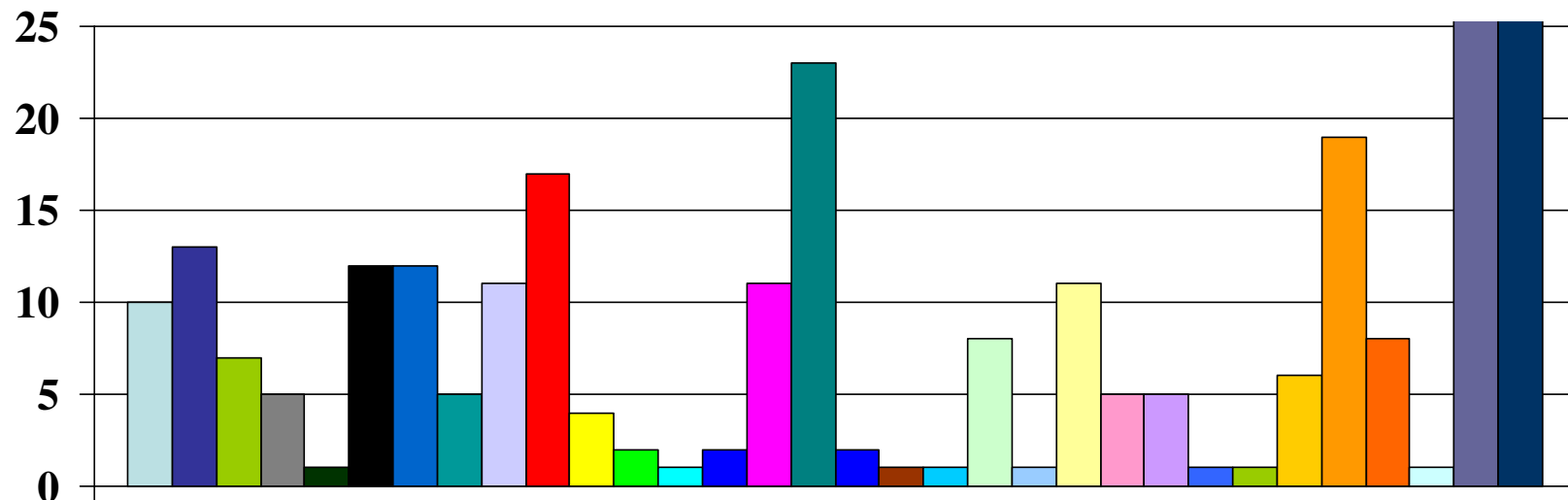
IGeLU members in 2006

































Total = 210



IGeLU members in 2007

Total = 275



 Australia	 Austria	 Belgium	 Canada	 Cyprus	 Czech Rep.	 Denmark
 Finland	 France	 Germany	 Greece	 Hungary	 Iceland	 Ireland
 Israel	 Italy	 Latvia	 Liechtenstein	 Luxembourg	 Netherlands	 New Zealand
 Norway	 Poland	 Portugal	 Singapore	 South Africa	 Spain	 Sweden
 Switzerland	 Taiwan	 UK	 USA			

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Budget

Budget 2007:

Balanced budget in spite of extra expenses, mainly due to surplus in 2006

Draft budget 2008:

Balanced draft budget, only due to expected (!) surplus in 2007

→ Moderate increase of the membership fee starting 2008 from 220 to 250 Euro necessary to secure balanced budget in future

Voting on Amendments to the Statute

Art. VIII. Chair 1.: The Chair shall function as an Administrator , **who shall have all ordinary and extraordinary administrative powers and the power to delegate them.**

→ reason: to uncouple the Chair and Administrator functions

Art. X. Seat: The seat of IGeLU is *initially* in Siena, (Italy), at the University of Siena, Banchi di Sotto, 55. *Thereafter the seat will reside at the home institution of the Chair in office.*

→reason: to keep the non profit status and to ease the administration

Voting during IGeLU Business meeting in session 10 on Tuesday!

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Voting on new members of the SC

2007: three open positions:

- Pat Busby unfortunately had to resign for occupational reasons
- Ana Azevedo and Beate Rusch were voted in for one year only

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Many thanks to the organizing team!

Chair: Petr Žabička

Members of the team:

Kateřina Jílková, Marcela Walterová, Petra Žabičková, Tomáš Prachař, Martin Fasura

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IGeLU Annual Meeting 2008

**The 3rd IGeLU Annual meeting will take place
from September 8th - 10th 2008 in Madrid, Spain
at the
Spanish National Research Council
(Consejo Superior de Investigaciones Cientificas, CSIC)
organized
together with the Spanish user group.**

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Thank you!