Chair's report on IGeLU activities

6th Annual Meeting in Haifa
11th September – 13th September 2011

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Activities of the Steering Committee

• Discussions with Ex Libris senior management
  Support and documentation issues, product & services pricing, Alma development and transition questions, general user participation, communication issues etc.

• Monitoring and supporting the PWGs & SIWG

• Conference planning
  Venue, budget, organisational framework in cooperation with the local organizing committee
  Content in cooperation with the Working groups and Ex Libris
Enhancing Communication

Communication within the user community:
New website, News in Brief, IGeLU List serve with 500 members
INUG: New Ex Libris customers invited to IGeLU, support of the establishment of new National user groups

IGeLU Communication with Ex Libris
Two channels: Steering Committee and PWG level working well

Ex Libris communication with the user community
Webinars, Documentation portal, Learning Centre, still to be improved
Product and Special Interest Working Groups

Significant personnel changes during the conference

• New Coordinator in Voyager PWG
• Merge of MetaLib and Primo PWG?
• Further positions to be replaced in various Working Groups

Basic activities in the past year performing well

• Enhancement processes, collaborative testing, conference planning...

Thanks to all involved!
Development cooperation with Ex Libris

Enhancement processes
- New Enhancement Platform NERS
- Aleph, Primo, Digitool and Voyager; SFX in planning
- New resources for the Central Knowledge Bases

• Collaborative testing
  - Voyager, Aleph in planning

• Focus and Advisory Groups
  - Alma Focus Group, Metadata Advisory Group, Advisory Group on MetaLib+

• Alma developers in libraries
  - UK, Switzerland, Germany in Mai 2011, US in October 2011, further regions will follow
Budget

Budget 2010 and 2011:

- Expenditures 2010 and 2011 higher than the income mainly due to raising conference costs
  → structural deficit of ca. 20,000 Euro

- Still surplus due to savings (but rapidly decreasing)

Draft budget 2012: Balanced draft budget

→ Membership fee stays stable, keeping conference fee low!
Voting on the Steering Committee

Two open positions

• Candidates: Michael Fake, Peter Klien, Habib Tabatai

• Introduction right after my report

• Voting starts during this session and continues till Tuesday 12.00

• Announcement of the results during the Closing Session on Tuesday
Thank you!

Questions?