Association

Founded in 2000, ACEF was formerly known as AUFA (Association des Utilisateurs Francophones d’Aleph). It changed its name during an extraordinary general assembly on February 12th 2007 and became then ACEF (Association des Clients d’Ex Libris France).

Membership

The ACEF user group consists of 41 member institutions in 2015, most of them are academic libraries. Most institution members are from France, two are from Belgium, and one from Quebec. Membership fee: 120 EUR.

Main issues since the latest IGeLU meeting

Alma Webinar

A webinar session about Alma has been made by Maud Arnaud (Ex Libris France) for ACEF members in February 2015

SFX training

A 2-day training session was organized at UPEC (Université Paris-Est Créteil) in June 2015. The training was given by Mr Bernard Teissier (System librarian at Bibliothèque Diderot – Lyon) and Mrs Ewa Nieszkowska (UPEC). The training was free for the participants (10 institutions) and trainers’ expenses have been defrayed by ACEF.

ACEF meeting in January 2015 (Paris)

We have decided to make a special day focus on the knowledge bases in Ex Libris solutions with several conferences, both by customers and Ex Libris french staff:

- Ex Libris’ KBs (SFX and Primo Central) and french national KB project (« BA-CON » project, ABES) by Ewa Nieszkowska (UPEC)
- « Primo : KB in a consortial environment » (Maud Arnaud – Ex Libris)
- « Alma : KB in a consortial environment» (Maud Arnaud – Ex Libris)
- « Alma today : new functionalities, new services » (Maud Arnaud – Ex Libris)
**NERS votes**

Since ACEF is an IGeLU member, we centralize enhancement requests and voting wishes from our non-IGeLU members. By so doing, ACEF helps non-IGeLU members to have a say in the matter (even if it is very “diluted”). Another reason is that since ACEF counts as a voting force, it makes one more vote for local (French-speaking) resources. So far, ACEF has voted for Aleph, Primo, SFX CKB and MetaLib CKB enhancement requests, and even for Alma, to support requests from University of Liège (the only one Alma customer of ACEF).

**ACEF meeting in June 2015 (Paris)**

Products sessions ("user to user") were organized:

« Primo : system administration (server organization, saving operations, migrations…) by Laurent Nabias (Bibliothèque Sainte-Barbe)

« Primo in the Cloud ? » round-table discussion with Laurent Nabias (Bibliothèque Sainte-Barbe), André Jestin (SCD de l’Université de Bretagne Occidentale) and François Renaville (Université de Liège)

« DigiTool via Primo : online thesis and digitalized content » by Sophie Bastard and Romain Le Nezet (Sorbonne Nouvelle – Paris 3)

« Alma @ ULg : Alma deployment at University of Liège » by François Renaville (Université de Liège)

« Alma @ ULg : feed-back after 4 months live » by François Renaville (Université de Liège)

Some of these .ppt presentations have been made available on ACEF intranet.

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