

My name is Augusto Ribeiro and I am the Documentation and Information Management Service Coordinator at the University of Porto. My main working subjects are Open Access Repositories, Research Data Repositories, Information Systems, Archive Systems and Library systems. I have been Senior Application Analyst in Library and Archives systems at King's College of London (2013-2014), managing system support to Archives and Libraries and interacting with the development and innovation team in new solutions for these services. I have a five years degree in Computer Science engineering, a post-graduation diploma in Information Technologies and an Advanced Studies diploma in Investigation for Libraries and Documentation. I am running a PhD in Information Sciences.

I have started to work alongside ExLibris and Aleph in 1997 since the University of Porto installed Aleph system. I've early searched for community support and collaboration, and my first meeting was in Siena. Since then I've started collaborating in Aleph distribution lists as Aleph administrator and local developer for Aleph.

In 2009, I applied for a vacancy in collaborative testing of Aleph V20.0, and I had the opportunity to review the features and help the community to get a better implementation of the enhancements submitted to ExLibris.

This adventure in Israel with great colleagues from universities around the world and an excellent staff of ExLibris was a great experience, and I have realized that it is a great joy to be involved. At that moment, a timid person got the courage to go "outside the shell", and I started to collaborate in Aleph Product Working Group (PWG) in 2010, helping to review Aleph enhancements and later managing the voting cycles.

Since 2012, I am the Aleph Working Group coordinator. I have worked on the Aleph IGeLU and Aleph ELUNA group merging, Aleph enhancements and all other subjects related to Aleph. Since 2018, I have assumed the coordination of Aleph Working Group (IGeLU+ELUNA).

Serving at Aleph community is a great job, and I feel great with that. However, I believe I can do much more for libraries and this community if I share my experience in other areas of expertise.