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Dear IGeLU members,

My name is Christian Haenger and I am happy to run for a second term on the IGeLU Steering Committee. I am the Director of Library Systems and Special Collections at Mannheim University Library in Germany. I am in charge of Alma, Primo, EPrints, Open Journal Systems and the digitization software Kitodo. In addition I am responsible for the special collections of my institution and the whole digitization process.

I have been very active in the German spoken community and hosted our annual meeting several times in Mannheim. We have been Early Adopters of Alma and Primo in our region. We also use the Alma APIs to integrate third party systems such as self service payment.

I have been active within IGeLU since 2009 in several roles. I was a member of the first Primo Product Working group and saw all the development steps of the product. In my role as IGeLU Primo Product Working Group Coordinator (20013 to 2017) and my first term as an IGeLU Steering Committee member (2017 to 2019) I was involved in the SaaS discussion, the roll out of the new Primo UI and the upcoming Central Discovery Index. I took care that Ex Libris delivered the required functions and started an intensive discussion with their customers. In collaboration with our North American sister organization I set up a document setting the standards for Joint Working Groups.

My goals for a second term as IGeLU Steering Committee member are:

- monitor Ex Libris' product developments to make sure all products offer the required functions
- take care that Ex Libris customers will receive satisfying support services
- ensure that Ex Libris supports the regional and national data protection and accessibility standards
- collaborate with Ex Libris to increase the system openness to support user driven development

Thank you for reading my document, and I would be happy if you would vote for my second term in IGeLU Steering Committee.

Best wishes,

Christian Haenger