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11-14TH SEPTEMBER

# IGeLU Primo Working Group

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Open Meeting – IGeLU Conference 2023

# Agenda

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- **Members and updates**
- **Enhancements**
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## Primo Product Working Group

### About

The objective of the IGeLU Primo Working Group is to collaborate with Ex Libris in developing new services and functions for Primo. A core activity is conducting the annual enhancements voting process, in collaboration also with the [ELUNA Primo Working Group](#). Other activities include planning for the annual IGeLU Conference and regular meetings with Ex Libris Product Management to discuss future directions and current issues relating to Primo

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# Members & updates

Member	Site	WG Role
<b>Stacey van Groll</b>	University of Queensland, Australia	Coordinator, Conference Planning
<b>Mark Kluzek</b>	University College London, UK	Deputy Coordinator
<b>Nir Zinger</b>	University of Haifa, Israel	Enhancements Coordinator, New XP Focus Group
<b>Noémie Ammann</b>	ETH Library, Switzerland	Liaison to the Content WG
<b>Gaith Bader</b>	University of New South Wales, Australia	Enhancements Team
<b>Paul Harding</b>	University of York, UK	Liaison to the Analytics CoP & Enhancements Team, New XP Focus Group
<b>Ulrich Leodolter</b>	OBVSG, Austria	Liaison to the Developer Community
<b>Jennifer McNally</b> <i>(departing)</i>	University of Salford & WHELP, UK	Liaison to the Consortia CoP & Enhancements Team
<b>Manuela Schwendener</b>	Universität Basel, Switzerland	Enhancements Team, New XP Focus Group
<b>Andrea Zech</b>	Free University Berlin, Germany	Enhancements Team

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  - Lee Houghton, Nottingham Trent University, UK  
*(Deputy Coordinator + Enhancements Coordinator, and member from 2017)*
  - Liaison from the Alma WG – *Emma Clift, Macquarie University*
  - Liaison from the LOD CoP – *Ebe Kartus, National Library of New Zealand*
  - Liaison from the IGeLU Steering Committee – *Asbjørn Risan, UNIT*

# Enhancements - NERS 2023

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**Up to January 28:** NERS open for submission of new enhancement requests

- 141 submissions, reviewed by Enhancements Team of IGeLU and ELUNA Primo WG members
- 3 submissions moved from Primo > Alma and 1 moved from Alma > Primo
- 19 Not Votable: 9 merged, 5 Roadmap, 2 withdrawn by submitter, 3 already supported

**March 12 – April 2:** Voting for IGeLU & ELUNA members

- 119 Votable submissions
- 51,229 votes placed by 332 accounts – **quite a drop from last year... bad timing?**

# NERS 2023 - continued

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**Full voting results given to Ex Libris Primo Product Management**, with request for assignment of development points to the Top 20 (per the Product Development Collaboration Agreement)

- **Update this year:** *Provided also the total numbers of accounts voting on each submission, for valuable information for Primo PM to know extent of community interest regardless of total votes*

**April 7 – June 14:** Scoping and pointing discussions (*extended two weeks*)

The Primo WG/s Enhancements Team determined that another opportunity for member community voice was needed, via an additional voting round

- High number of points for some submissions, including in the very top ranked
- Varying scoped solutions for some submissions
- Removal of three submissions (1 Roadmap #8292, 1 rejected #8206, 1 BO/VE alignment #8130)

**June 19 – July 2:** Additional voting for IGeLU & ELUNA members

- 17 Votable submissions = 46,431 votes placed by 298 accounts – **additional rounds always lower votes**

# NERS 2023 - continued

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Results, to be delivered within one year – 195 points, with 5 borrowed last year

Rank	ID	Title	Votes	Points
1	8126	Ability to do a bulk export of search results (VE/BO)	6,569	120
2	8210	Prevent search results expansion by use of exact phrase (VE/BO)	5,564	55
3	8134	Allow HTML coding in labels, public notes and collection description (VE/BO)	5,284	20

*#8134: The ELUNA and IGeLU Primo WG/s are working with Ex Libris Primo PM on the list of labels, per scoping statement*

Thank you to Primo PM for also adding the following to the 2024 Roadmap

Rank	ID	Title	Votes	Points
5	8157	Preserve the formatting of citations copied from Primo (VE/BO)	3,503	n/a 15
14	8141	Add ability to configure the display at the item level and the location level in the GetIt section (VE)	1,102	n/a 10

# NERS 2022 + 2021 Update

ID	2022	Delivery
7809	Enable patrons to check 'Keep me signed in' (VE/BO)	May 2023
6729	Prevent Autocomplete suggestions from non-activated sources in CDI (VE/BO)	<b>TBC:</b> Targeting for Nov 2023
7859	Add barcode search to Primo (VE/BO)	Feb 2023
7700	Better UX for changing number of titles per page (VE/BO)	Feb 2023
7186	Collection Discovery usage in Primo Analytics (VE/BO) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Originally planned Nov 2022, but design revisited from Actions Usage subject area to introduce a new Customized Values subject area</li> </ul>	Aug 2023
7790	Requesting Flexibility in Local Resource Type Configuration (VE) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Continuing enhancements, including in August 2023</li> </ul>	May & June 2023
7986	Add "Starts With" Functionality to Call Number in the Advanced Search (VE/BO)	Feb 2023
ID	2021	Delivery
6693	Primo VE: Advanced search: add support for "exact only" #6693 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Planned Nov 2022 &gt; Feb 2023 &gt; May 2023 for title, hypertext linking, and configuration options</li> </ul>	May 2023

# Advocacy +

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- **Angular upgrade transition** support, from May through Nov 2022 Release
- **Primo case handling** by workflow review to resolve inconsistent release updates Nov 2022
- **Information boost** by inclusion of Q&A section in Primo webinar recordings Jan 2023
- **Feedback tool** feature expansion - delivered May 2022 and enhanced Aug + Nov 2022 and Feb 2023
- **GDPR support** with Search History settings added Aug 2022 and default adjusted Feb 2023
- **Search within full text** improved with URL retention added Feb 2023
- **API support** for Primo VE, raised Mar 2022 and added May 2023
- **AI enhanced** Jul 2023 covering more scenarios of citation searches with Grobid, and raising issue of machine learning tools impact on Analytics data
- **Resource Type Filters** documentation and feature improvements, with alignment of VE with BO views granularity advised planned 2<sup>nd</sup> half 2023
- **Contributing to SC collective calls to action**, with input to support concerns to senior level Feb 2023
- **Accessibility standing item**, regularly raising issues with new feature coverage, timely fixes, and documentation for community information
- **Analytics issues** raising including QA for new features and regressions, in collaboration with Analytics CoP
- **Encouraging Ex Libris engagement** with the community, including through Idea Exchange



# Support

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- New resources added to the **Primo Community Support** page on the IGeLU website: <https://igelu.org/products-and-initiatives/product-working-groups/primo/primo-community-support/>
  - **Primo Sites and URLs**, a compilation of 450+ sites useful for work such as environmental scans --- (watch this space for ELUNA Primo WG expansion work)
  - Also links to **PrimoViews.org** created by Primo WG member Manuela, and to our ELUNA Primo WG sister site for customisation resources
- **Did you know?** We share regular updates on our work via publishing monthly meeting **Minutes:** <https://igelu.org/products-and-initiatives/product-working-groups/primo/minutes/>
- Half of the Primo WG members are **presenting sessions at IGeLU 2023 Conference**, sharing their work collaboratively with our community: Andrea, Gaith, Jenny, Stacey, Ulrich

# Plans

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- **Enhancements delivery planning and monitoring**, including testing and feedback
- **Feature alignment project** for Primo Back Office > Primo VE, in collab with ELUNA Primo WG
- **CDI enhancements handling** considerations, with 50 points from Primo > CDI trial in 2024
- **Platform transition for NERS** (New Enhancement Request System)
- **New Discovery Experience Focus Group**, started July 2023
- **Collaboration with WGs and CoPs** in liaison activities, and in cross-group initiatives such as expression of DEI and CDI collections in Primo
- **Community advocacy and support**, as issues arise directly or on the Primo listserv
- **Conference planning preparations** for 2024

# Q & A

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**Any questions?**