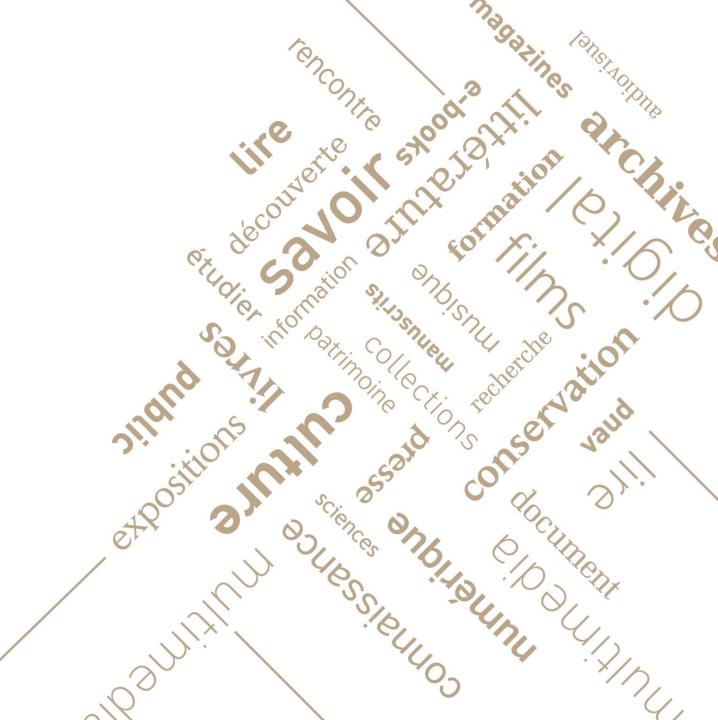
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Boosting Resource Management : using browser extensions in Alma

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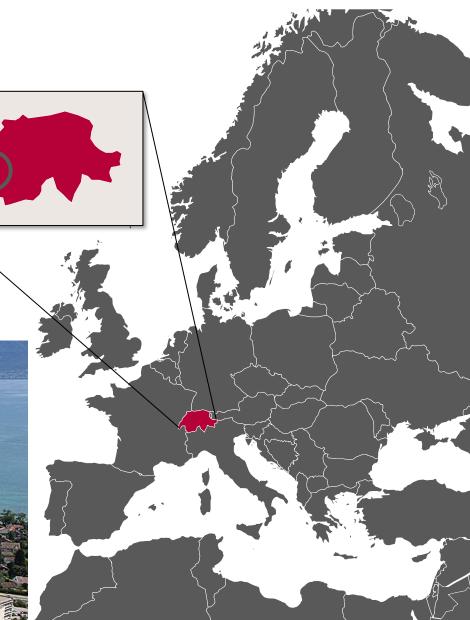




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Resource management in Alma



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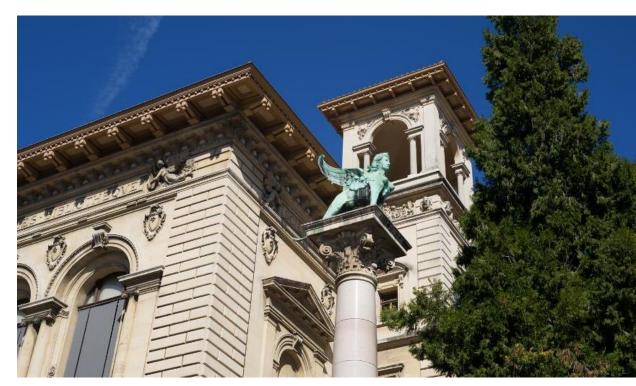
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Case study 1 : editing multiple physical items

- BCU Lausanne, Riponne branch
- Public reading library, heritage library, music library
- 285'216 visitors in 2023
- > 600'000 items



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Our needs



- Insufficient closed storage
- Special labeling to facilitate the rescue of heritage collections

• Result = frequent relabeling



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What is relabeling?

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Relabelling happens on 3 levels

- Item
- Holding
- Bibliographic record





Many clicks + bad overview

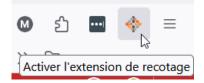


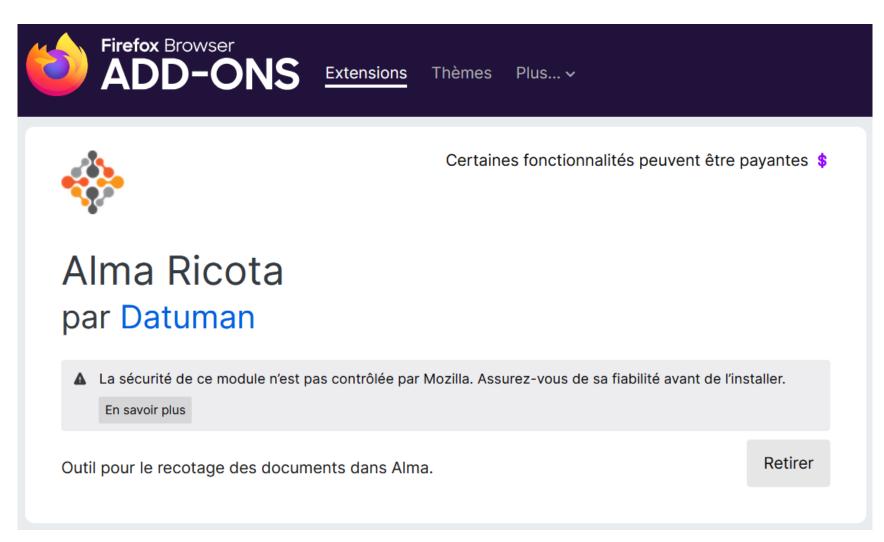
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- Button to generate call number
- Automatic suggestions based on call number prefix typing

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Case study 2: Managing access points and authority records

- Complex constructed access points
 - Subject access points
 - Name-title access points
- ID-based authority linking
- 2 authority vocabularies
- CZ authority records not editable in Alma

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Requirements not met by Alma

- Integrating the edition of IdRef authority records
- Controlled edition of complex access points
 - Managing identifiers
- Helping catalogers choosing the correct authority record
 - Choosing the right vocabulary
 - All relevant information available in one glimpse
- Improve ergonomy
 - Less clicks

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Assessing browser extensions





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Pros

- Expanding Alma basic functionalities
- Fitting local needs more accurately
- Time gain for catalogers
- Better control on the workflows
- Fewer risks of errors



- Authentication only once
- Friendlier user interface
 - Information available in one glimpse
 - No need for extra clicks
- Bridging Alma with external platforms and databases.

Cons

- Maintenance on Renouvaud's charge
- Incompatibility with Alma future enhancements?
 - Linked Data / bibframe

Browser extension



- Adapting browser extensions to the evolution of Alma
 - New All Titles Search UI
- Security on Renouvaud's charge

Why not use cloud apps?

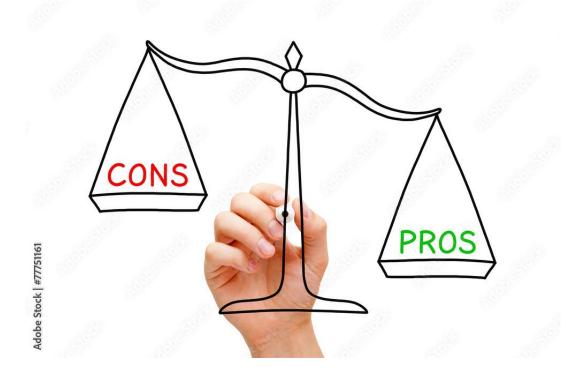
- Cloud apps offer less capabilities. Not appropriate for complex applications.
- Browser extensions offer a more refined integration in the Alma environment.



- Cloud apps are published on the Ex Libris App Center.
 - Should be generic

Summing up

- User experience
 - Exceeded our expectations (relabeling extension)
- Maintenance
 - Alma releases, especially UI changes
- Balance between benefits and maintenance



• Inspire Ex Libris



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Thank you!

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