

Danish IGELU group – Dangelu – report to Igelu 2021

The Danish user group is in the process of redefining itself after both quite a few library reorganizations and merges and the fact that several libraries have migrated into or out of the Ex Libris product portfolio. In addition several institutions with independent installations have or are in the process of entering a consortium co-ordinated by the Royal Danish Library.

Despite all these changes there is an expressed interest of having a Danish user group.

One issue that is key to the Danish libraries is ILL – or Resource Sharing as it is named in Alma-speak – and we have a national infrastructure that has been renovated and now heavily depends on the following fairly new specifications:

- ISO 18626 defining a XML-based interchange of ILL transactions.
- ISO 20775 defining a XML- and SRU-based query and response for dynamic holdings and availability of holdings on specified records.

Both of these standards are implemented in Alma, but we still have some challenges to make these work with other vendor systems, including the national ILL hub of Denmark (DBC).

Finally I'll note that an initiative of have more collaboration between the Nordic Ex Libris customers has been taken and the next step is a video meeting early in September where we can discuss how to proceed with this idea.

Best regards
Erik Bertelsen
Royal Danish Library
on behalf of Dangelu – the Danish Ex Libris User Group.