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Enterprise and EBSCO Discovery Service

Implementing resource discovery the SirsiDynix way

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SCONUL Statistics 2014-15:

- 2 Site Libraries (now 1)
- 34.1 library staff
- 9,845 FTE students
- 565 FTE academic staff
- 220,758 catalogued book stock
- 90,816 catalogued paid for e-books
- 23,317 electronic serial titles purchased



Robert Gordon University Library

SCONUL Statistics 2014-15:

- 61,166 unique loans (excluding renewals)
- 1,024,427 full text article downloads
- 3,897,790 e-book accesses (sections/chapters)



Order for Enterprise & EDS was placed October 2014.

- Library Catalogue (eLibrary)
 - 2,256,292 page views, 229,844 individual sessions during 2014-15
- Ex Libris:
 - SFX journal a-z and link resolver
 - MetaLib+ resource discovery product



Background

- MetaLib+ did not include catalogue/Symphony data
- eLibrary was not performing well after loading almost 100K e-books
 - Lack of relevancy ranking
 - Lack of facets etc. to narrow searches



Decision

- BlueCloud Rewards to spend before the end of 2014 paid for Enterprise
- SirsiDynix / EBSCO strategic partnership announced
 - Integration already available
- EBSCO were already our subscription agent, and one of our biggest database suppliers
 - Potential staff time savings
 - Subscription agent deal already came with Full Text Finder
- EDS cheaper than SFX & MetaLib+
- Order placed with SirsiDynix for Enterprise and EDS, 15th October 2014



Implementation - Enterprise

- Implementation began in January 2015 on Enterprise 4.3
- Standard SirsiDynix implementation
 - Implementation questionnaires
 - End-user & admin training via WebEx
 - 3 SureStart Sessions (1 hour consultant sessions)
- Helps to have CSS & JavaScript skills, but SD will help
- After 2 SureStart sessions, we chose to skip 4.3 and beta-test 4.5:
 - EDS integration improvements interfiled results
 - New 'Flat' theme



Enterprise 4.5 Beta Testing

- Started in April 2015, production release in October 2015
 - Missing our intended Summer 2015 implementation window
- Not always easy beta testing a system you haven't gone live with
- But there are benefits too
 - Learned a lot about the system
 - Caught at least one massive showstopper



Implementation - EDS

- Entirely new to EDS
- Assigned an EBSCO rep based in US
 - Conference calls explaining concepts e.g.
 SmartLinks and CustomLinks
 - No structured formal training offered by EBSCO as part of implementation, but they will do ad-hoc training on request – so ask!
- EDS Admin quite straightforward, done mostly via EBSCO Admin and some in Enterprise Admin



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Go-Live Phase 1

- Enterprise with EDS integration went live January 2016, after missing Summer 2015 window
- Retained SFX as the link resolver due to difficulties with EBSCO link resolver (Full Text Finder)
 - Should be possible to use any link resolver with Enterprise/EDS
- Phase 2 to replace SFX with Full Text Finder...



Implementation – Full Text Finder link resolver

- SFX export file loaded by EBSCO into EBSCO Holdings Management. Some post-export work needed:
 - Some titles not in the correct packages
 - Some holdings start dates incorrect (start dates based on EBSCO supplying the title as our subscription agent)
- OpenURL links from our Talis Aspire reading lists showed we had big problems with Full Text Finder links not working, so kept SFX going
 - But going live with Enterprise/EDS seemed to us to end the project implementation phase
 - Support calls split between SD and EBSCO no overview



Implementation – Full Text Finder link resolver

- A lot of work done on Talis Aspire to get Full Text Finder links working
 - Altering Aspire metadata
 - Changing date formats
- Some Full Text Finder links still don't work, particularly some Wiley and Taylor & Francis links
- Still problems with Westlaw and Lexis Nexis linking
- Full Text Finder still not working as Talis Aspire Digitised Content module knowledge base
- Nevertheless we went live with Full Text Finder in June 2016



Post-Implementation

- Resolve outstanding Full Text Finder linking issues by September 2016
 - Single support contact between SD and EBSCO?
- Still to get end-user feedback, usage statistics
- Library staff user feedback has been positive
 - Particularly Enterprise vs. eLibrary
 - Some changes to facets, fuzzy search factor (0.8)
 - Some tidying up of bib records esp. fixed fields/dates
 - I need to get better at CSS and JavaScript

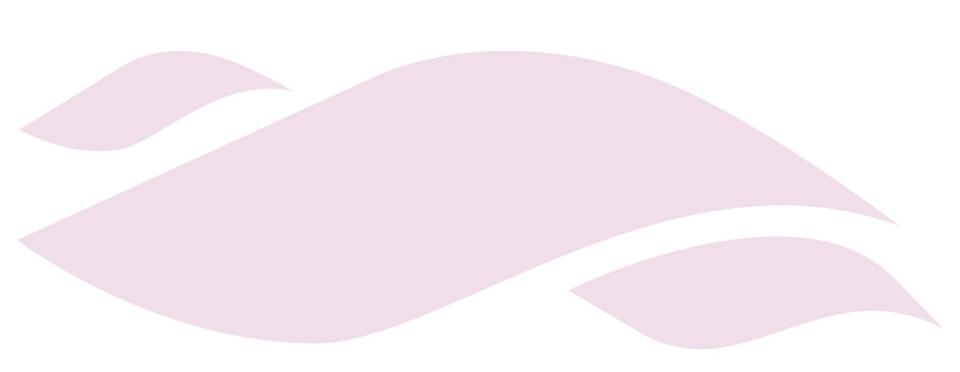


Medium to Long Term thoughts:

- Offer native EDS interface?
 - Will SD be working on improved Symphony integration in that direction?
- SD ERM system evaluation integration with EBSCO
- Will need to monitor the relationship between SD and EBSCO
- EBSCO long term position in market?



Demo







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