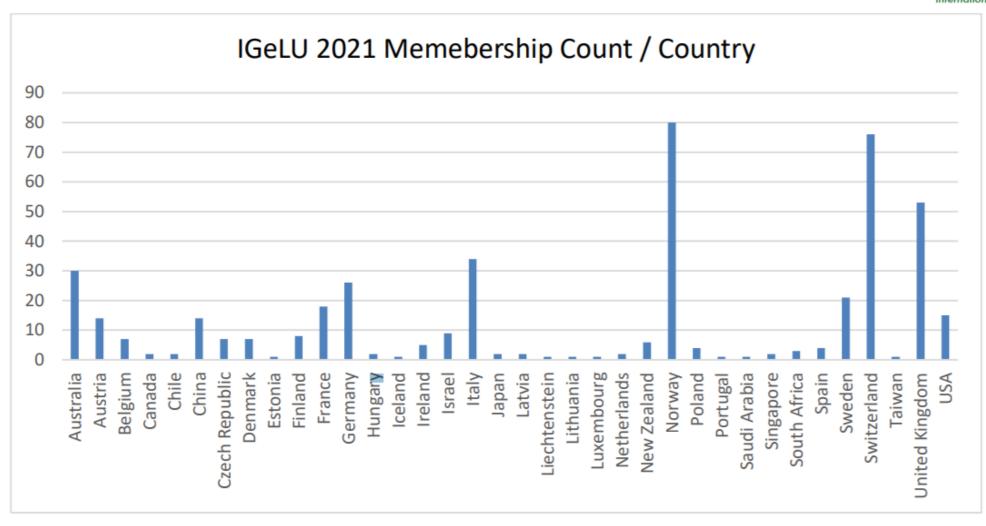


What is IGeLU

- International Group of Ex Libris Users (IGeLU) with its official headquarters based at the University of Sienna, Italy
- IGeLU is a not-for-profit organisation and relies heavily on volunteers and members
- IGeLU, works closely with our sister organisation, Ex Libris Users of North America (ELUNA) in advocating for users of Ex Libris products
- IGeLU has over 400 members institutions representing more than 1600 Libraries or Archives using Ex Libris products in 39 countries around the world.
- We have a strong, positive relationship with Ex Libris, and work in partnership on product enhancements, collaborative testing of new releases, and focus groups.







IGeLU's Aims

Our aims are:

- To reflect the needs and priorities of the Ex Libris user community
- To influence software and services development to the mutual benefit of product users and the company
- To offer the community a forum for sharing information
- To speak with one voice to Ex Libris to improve customer satisfaction



How IGeLU functions

Assembly of Members

IGeLU is a member-led organisation, and all member institutions can participate in the Assembly of Members, which meets once per year during the annual conference. It votes to elect new Steering Committee members, as well as voting on the annual budget, and any other constitutional matters.

Steering Committee

The Group is led by a Steering Committee, elected by and from its members. The Steering Committee has overall responsibility for budget planning; coordinating conference planning with host institutions; and for liaison with Ex Libris on all general matter



How IGeLU functions

Working Groups

Product-specific interests are the responsibility of a number of Product Working Groups. These oversee the enhancement process and development cooperation for specific products within the Ex Libris suite. All the Working Groups report to the Steering Committee.

Community of Practices

Focus Groups

Advisory Groups



Product Development Collaboration Agreement Between Ex Libris, IGeLU and ELUNA

This is a formal agreement between Ex Libris, IGeLU and ELUNA which sets out the principles of collaboration on development and enhancement of Ex Libris products.



Product Development Collaboration Agreement Vs Ideas Exchange

- Ideas Exchange is run by Ex Libris for collecting ideas on product enhancements
- There are no guarantee on when or if an idea is implemented regardless of number of upvotes by the community
- Top voted enhancements under the Product Development Collaboration Agreement will be developed within the stated timeframes (normally 12 months)

Other IGeLU Activities



- Provision of web hosting for National and Regional users Groups (e.g. GUAL and Ex Libris Users of QATAR)
- Provision and support of mailing lists
- Provision of Zoom meeting and webinar platform
- Support the National and Regional User Groups
- Used as an escalation point for the National and Regional User Groups
- Annual conference



IGeLU Planned Activities for 2021/2022

- Continue advocacy of the importance of the IGeLU User Community
- Advocate for greater IGeLU involvement in Ex Libris developments around Controlled Digital Lending (CDL)
- Diversity, Equity and Inclusiveness
- Improve internal procedures and policies
- Membership



IGeLU Planned Activities for 2020/2021

- Deliver a hybrid 2022 conference
- Summon WG reactivation

NERS evaluation.

Create an IGeLU Resource Sharing Work Group



Some IGeLU / ELUNA / Ex Libris Collaborative Activities

- ALMA UX project (on going)
- ALMA DARA Project (on going)
- PRIMO New UI project (completed)
- Authentication Focus Group (completed)
- ALMA Performance Focus Group (on going)
- API Platform (on going)



Becoming a Member

- Membership is open to all Institutions that use Ex Libris products
- Free first year membership for Institutions who have never been a member of IGeLU or ELUNA

- Special consortia membership rates
- More information at https://igelu.org/about/membership



Membership Benefits

- Discounted conference attendance fees for all delegates from the member institution
- Participation in the product enhancement process under the Product Development Collaboration Agreement
- Participation in IGeLU related elections (product and IGeLU positions)



Membership Benefits

The right to nominate for the following roles within the IGeLU organization as they become available (pending eligibility)

- Product Working Group / Community of Practice / Focus Group membership
- Product Working Group / Community of Practice / Focus Group Chair
- IGeLU Steering Committee Membership
- IGeLU Steering Committee Chair



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