An ERM for the Library of the University of Geneva

First experiments

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Agenda

• Disclaimer

• Why an ERM at the University of Geneva?

• Some insights about usage statistics
A. Why an ERM at the University of Geneva?
Milestones

2007  Negotiations with Elsevier for an e-only licence
2008  Works on serials – collection and budgets
2009  Collection and management tools evaluation
2010  Negotiations with EBSCO
2011  ERM Essentials setting up
2012  ERM use and return on investments (?)
2007 – Works on Elsevier e-only

- The 2005-2007 licence comes to its end
- Strong willingness to move to the e-only model
- Need to find ~1 mio CHF

but

- Impossibility to have accurate figures
- Impossibility to have a global vision
2008 – Works on serials

• The hellish world of serials at UNIGE
  ▶ 41 participants in 40 libraries
  ▶ 3’500 print titles
  ▶ 64% of subscriptions by 3 suppliers
    → 36% of direct subscriptions
  ▶ 699 duplicates
  ▶ 10’000+ electronic titles
  ▶ Etc.
2009 – Finding a solution

• Need for a common management tool
• Requirements based on the report of the Digital Library Federation ERMI
• Assessment of existing solutions:
  ◆ CUFTS, EBSCO, Exlibris, SerialsSolutions, Swets
• Trials
• Choice of ERM Essentials by EBSCO
2010 –

- ERM licence for 2011-2013
- Working group with 5 persons + 1 project leader (all librarians)
2011 – Works on the ERM

• Cleaning up and reshaping of our account structure inside Ebsconet
• « Manual » check of our actual subscriptions
• Data entry for other e-resources
• Access and reports setting up
• Renewal of the 2012 subscriptions
2012... – Return on investments

- Usage statistics harvesting via SUSHI
- Upload of non-SUSHI compliant usage statistics
- Creation of consolidated reports
B. Some insights about usage statistics
What has been done until 2010

• Manual collecting among different players:
  ➗ Swiss Consortium of libraries
  ➗ Aggregators
  ➗ Publishers

• No cross-comparison due to data heterogeneousness

→ Significance of the long term coherence for each set of datas
What has been done until 2010 - 2

- Online figures through our directory of e-resources
- Private search interface for librarians
What has been done until 2010 - 3

- Specific use of statistics for:
  - Justification for the renewal of a e-resource
  - Evaluation of the cost per article
- Grand total for the Swiss Federal Statistical Office
- BUT, no scientific analyses
Statistics – expected benefits of the ERM

• Automatic harvesting via SUSHI
• Homogenization of datas
• Reports with different scopes:
  ◆ Title
  ◆ Package
  ◆ Interface
• Consolidated analyses with costs
Questions ?