

Linking E-Resources Management & Metadata Work

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The question

Is ERM replacing cataloging?

- The emergence of BIBFRAME and new development of OCLC Knowledge Base
- A more integrated system for libraries to select, acquire and provide e-resources access to users



The complexity

The idiosyncrasy of e-resources workflow in the library technical services is its sheer complexity

- The need of metadata librarian's works
- Each collection has to be treated on an individual base ([E-book collections loading at OSU CDAD](#))

For metadata librarian: the input and focus - “Focus on collections rather than the catalog” (Simpson, 2007)



Linking up

- The link to make discovery points for each e-resource the libraries selected and acquired access for our users
- Where the works begin
 - Notifications from Acquisition or direct vendor updates
 - Collection managers' requests
 - Consortia shared resources



Linking up

Keep the workflows as one process

- Tracking on the progress
 - Delegate works
 - Know your supporting staff strength
- Problem solving
 - Done case by case
 - Weekly team meeting to check out obstacles & stay on one page
- Communication to all stakeholders



Stop doing...

“Criticism of unnecessary local customization has been expressed...” (Simpson, 2007)

- Avoid redundancies
- Change local policies



Forward thinking

Areas for improvement and investigation

- The [separate online request forms](#)
 - Combined and re-designed for the ease of requestors
 - Encouraging one-on-one communication
- The inconsistency between the catalog and discovery layer
 - Records of new collection not showing on the discovery layer?