



A New Perspective to E-resource Management

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Managing information sources and empowering large user communities to retrieve information from the organization's electronic resources have become key challenges to the information center -as ways of adding real value to the information used by scientists, researchers, healthcare professionals, managers & consultants, decision makers and information professionals.

Today, as librarians we are engaged not only with the task of building larger and richer library collections, but also with the task of providing the tools to formulate a search query, to choose adequate resources for the search, to know how to find and procure desired items, and above all the ability to evaluate information resources and to judge which of them are relevant and reliable for research or study. This is what makes our training as librarians so valuable to society and more important than ever as we contribute to the development of the information society. Our advocacy and our professional guidance are vitally necessary to ensure that the information society is competent to evaluate and use the huge quantity of resources.

Today's academic libraries face competition from alternative, cost-effective information providers. In light of this reality, it is imperative for libraries to seek means to ensure that their services meet and, preferably, exceed user expectations.

The lecture will present new tools based on a new perspective to e-resource management, as a direct result of a straight collaboration between librarians, software developers and information providers, focused on users' needs and trying to offer higher quality services in information centers.

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