Product news...

RMIT Publishing adds more titles

RMIT Publishing has announced that they have reached agreement with Pacific Resources for Education and Learning (PREL) to include twenty-seven of its titles on its online service Informit .

Visit http://www.informit.com.au/library/ for further information or contact RMIT Publishing on 03 9925 8100.

KISTI extends research

Thomson ISI announced that the Korea Institute of Science and Technology Information (KISTI) Consortium, has gained access to Current Contents Connects (CC Connect), which provides tables of contents and records from nearly 8000 journals and 2000 books as well as links to more than 4000 evaluated websites and 440 000 full-text web documents. In addition, the KISTI consortium has also gained access to BIOSIS Previews the single web-based repository of nanotechnology prior art.

For more information about Thomson ISI, visit http://www.thomsonisi.com.

Factiva adds key health industry titles

Factiva has added a number of key health industry titles from the UK to its ever-growing content collection: *Practice Nurse; Doctor; Hospital Doctor* all published by Reed Business Information.

These new titles compliment a number of international and Australian health industry publications also available on Factiva. Additionally, Factiva has added *Microscope*, published by Reed Business Information, to its content collection.

Factiva combines world-class content with simplicity of free web

Factiva launched Factiva Worker Search Technology, an algorithm-based product platform capability that will revolutionise the way its users find information and make informed business decisions quickly and easily.

Factiva Worker Search Technology is a patent-pending process that seamlessly matches simple, keyword searches to the filtering capability embedded within Factiva's proprietary taxonomy.

Defense-related titles now available through Factiva.

These titles compliment Factiva's collection of over 100 sources on defense-related topics.

Inside Missile Defense, published on a bi-weekly basis; *Inside the Navy,* published on a bi-weekly basis and *Inside the Army,* published on a weekly basis. All are published by Inside Washington Publishers.

Innovative expands its presence in Europe

Innovative Interfaces, the world's leading provider of Web-powered, Java-based automated library systems, announced today that Millennium has been selected by several prestigious European universities: Université de Valenciennes (France), Universidade de Coimbra (Portugal), and Universitaria de Huelva (Spain). Although the libraries vary in size, language, and technology needs, the Innovative team worked to provide tailored solutions for each.

Law Society of Upper Canada selects Endeavour

Endeavor Information Systems announced the Great Library of the Law Society of Upper Canada, Toronto, Ontario, Canada selected the Voyager integrated library management system, the ENCompass for Resource Access system for providing access to e-resources and the ENCompass for Digital Collections system for managing and searching digital objects.

A non-lending library, with the exception of items loaned for use in court proceedings, the Great Library holds over 125 000 volumes. Founded in 1828, the Great Library's collections document the growth of the legal system in Canada and other common law countries.

Endeavour expands international presence

Expanding the rapid adoption of advanced library software systems in new markets, Endeavor Information Systems has announced today the opening of regional offices in Amsterdam, The Netherlands; Rio de Janeiro, Brazil; and Singapore. The Endeavor expansion provides service to libraries in Europe, Latin America and Asia.

Endeavor will continue to provide services through regional offices in Melbourne and London in addition to headquarters in Des Plaines (Chicago), Illinois.

Dialog launches strategic platform for business information, news and market research

Dialog has developed and launched a new, comprehensive technology platform for its line of business information, news and market research services.

The new platform leverages investment from Thomson and the underlying technology that powers its various online services, as well as technology acquired through the 2001 Thomson purchase of NewsEdge, now part of Dialog. Developed over a three-year period, the platform and a new intuitive interface are the result, in part, of extensive participation from Dialog's global customer advisory board and other key customers worldwide who provided feedback via focus groups, usability testing and rigorous alpha and beta testing.

Taxonomy, now featured in Dialog services

Dialog announced that its new, exclusive taxonomy, SmartTerms, is now available on its Dialog Profound and Dialog NewsRoom services.

The taxonomy will be available through Dialog Intelliscope, Dialog Company Profiles and Dialog NewsEdge later this year

when new versions of those services are introduced.

Dialog now offering free cost recovery

Dialog is now offering Dialog BillBack — a free, web-based cost-recovery service that tracks online research charges and generates usage reports for client invoicing or internal budgeting — through its Dialog Profound and Dialog NewsRoom services.

Dialog BillBack will be available for Dialog Intelliscope, Dialog Company Profiles and Dialog NewsEdge later this year when new versions of these services are introduced.

DWPI First View now available through Dialog services

Dialog announced that Derwent World Patents Index First View, a new fast-alerting companion file to Derwent World Patents Index (DWPI), is now available through its Dialog-branded family of online services.

Dialog users searching DWPI First View in combination with Derwent World Patents Index can maximize their retrieval of important patent information and ensure they receive a comprehensive overview of global patenting activity. The two databases are produced by Thomson Derwent (http://www.thomsonderwent.com).

Libero and Intersystems CACHÉ manage Cairns libraries

Cairns City Council has upgraded its libraries to a new, innovative management system — Libero, an Australian-developed application based on InterSystems' post-relational CACHÉ database — offering residents improved facilities and allowing the libraries to provide new services including 24-hour access to catalogues and reservations.

Swets launches E-journals management drive

Swets Information Services announced that it has launched a far-reaching drive to further simplify the management of electronic journals for customers. SwetsWise Title Bank is the first new tool to be developed as part of the drive.

SwetsWise Title Bank allows Swets' clients to customise their entire list of electronic subscription links whether they originate from external databases, publisher websites or SwetsWise Online Content.

CILIP is top trainer says Business survey

2004 Business Information Resources Survey puts CILIP ahead of leading business information training providers

Out of fifty-eight respondents, forty-one per cent said that they used CILIP, compared with twenty-seven per cent and twenty-five per cent respectively citing other leading training organisations.

Wiley InterScience launches its latest collection of digitised journal backfiles

John Wiley & Sons, Inc., announced the launch of its latest collection of digitised journal backfiles — The Biotechnology, Biochemistry and Biophysics Backfile Collection

on its dynamic online publishing platform, Wiley InterScience (http://www.interscience.wiley.com).

Presented in fully searchable PDF format, with abstracts, essential bibliographic content, and literature citations all available in HTML, the backfile collection provides enhanced searchablity and linking capabilities.

Fitch Risk and BvD announce alliance

Fitch Risk and Bureau van Dijk Electronic Publishing (BvD) have announced their newly formed alliance to develop and market an integrated tool to analyse and manage credit risk.

The collaboration will produce a solution that will leverage the value and flexibility of the financial data on BvD's products and its FACT software, with the power of Fitch Risk CreditVantage's CRS credit models to automate the financial analysis, credit approval and portfolio management process for corporate clients and financial institutions.

EBSCO streamlines E-Procurement

EBSCO Corporate Services announces streamlined e-procurement procedures for its customers who use SAP Enterprise Buyer Professional, which now supports an open catalog interface technology called RoundTrip.

With RoundTrip, customers are routed directly to the EBSCO Corporate Services website. For more information, visit http://www.ebsco.com.

EBSCO's MetaPress hosts the UK Serials Group title Serials

The UK Serials Group has selected EBSCO's MetaPress to host its title, *Serials*. MetaPress offers publishers of scholarly journals a comprehensive solution to their web publishing needs. MetaPress provides a new way to publish titles electronically regardless of present content or current format. Services include content management, web hosting, website development and e-commerce support. From simple hosting to seamless integration to building a complete web application, MetaPress specialises in custom solutions.

Who's Who tops xrefer's World Book Day Reference Poll

Following their recent online reference poll, xrefer is delighted to announce that *Who's Who* from A&C Black publishers is the title that received the most votes from participants worldwide, making it the most popular work of reference according to their poll. A full list of titles in the xreferplus database can be viewed at http://www.xrefer.com/titles/.

CIA World Factbook added to xreferplus

xrefer, provider of online ready reference services to academic, public and corporate libraries, announced today that it has integrated the *CIA World Factbook* into its xreferplus subscription service, adding interactive and exportable data tables to enrich the content.

The *CIA World Factbook* contains extensive information on all the countries of the world, from Afghanistan to Zimbabwe. ∎

• **30/6 Qld OPAL**. *General meeting*. Kristina Williams from Softlink will present a seminar on Marketing your library using technology. BCC Theatrette, Central City Library, Lower Level City Plaza, corner George and Adelaide Streets, 5:30–7:00pm. Contact: Kristina Williams, ph 07 3801 4111, kristina.williams@softlink.com.au

• **10/8 Qld OPAL**. *General meeting*. Hosted by Denise Cadman at Brisbane Catholic Education Centre, 243 Gladstone Road, Dutton Park, 4:00–5:30pm. Contact: Denise Cadman, ph 07 3840 0433, dcadman@bne.catholic.edu.au

• **21/9 Qld OPAL**. *General meeting*. Hosted by Alethea Hubley at Drug-Arm, 83 Castlemaine Street, Milton. Time tbc. Contact: Alethea Hubley, ph 07 3368 3822, alethea@drugarm.com.au

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• **10/5–22/11 SALT**. *Monthly meeting*. Fasta Pasta, 131 Pirie Street, Adelaide, 6:00pm for 6:30pm. Third Monday of each month, 10/5 (2nd Monday), 21/6, 19/7, 16/8, 20/9, 18/10, 22/11. All welcome. Contact: Fairlie Sampson, convenor, ph 08 8240 0300, library@tauondi.sa.edu.au

• **25/5 National Library Technicians Day Dinner**. *Celebrate NLTD with ALIASALT*. The Bombay Bicycle Club, Ovingham Hotel, 29 Torrens Road, Ovingham SA, 8:00pm. *RSVP ASAP as places are limited*. Send $10 deposit to Marion Fielke, 21 Panorama Drive, Aberfoyle Park 5159. Contact: Marion Fielke, marfie@onkaparinga.sa.gov.au

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• **25/5 National Library Technicians Day**. *TALIA Tecs 2004 Southern Group*. Banjo's, Elizabeth Street, 7:30–9:00am. Members and non-members welcome. Come along and celebrate Library Technicians Day. Contact: Julia Goss, ph 03 6233 7532, Julia.Goss@education.tas.gov.au

• **27/5 Not for nancies quiz night — ALW**. *ALIA Tasmanian Group*. At Cow, 112 Murray Street, Hobart, from 7:00pm. Costs: $13 members, $18 non-member. Contact: Jane Lord, ph 03 6233 7497, jane.lord@education.tas.gov.au

VIC

• **24–30/5 ALIA Vic** *is organising a 'breakfast' event to celebrate Library and Information Week*...stay tuned for more details. Contact: Trevor Wakely, ph 03 9669 8137, aliaviccom@ lists.alia.org.au

24–25/6 Leadership skills and techniques: *The Australian Army Way* Learn how to apply the Army's leadership framework to your organisation in an event expertly led by Major David Hanzl. ALIA members receive a 10% discount. Contact: Suzie Stollznow, ph 1300 550 662, sstollznow@arkgrouppasia.com

• **August ALIA Vic**. *Technology Symposium, 25 years of the internet and...* ALIA Vic is organising a one-day seminar, planned for August. Further details tba. Contact: Trevor Wakely, ph 03 9669 8137, aliaviccom@ lists.alia.org.au

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18/5–15/6 ALIA West. *General meeting* Room 2.9, Alexander Library Building, 5:30pm. 18/5, 15/6. Contact: Rose Hockley, ph 08 9383 8977, rose.hockley@wmc.com

National

• **16–21/5 Museums Australia National Conference**. *Food for thought, museums and galleries feast and famine*. Hotel Sofitel, Melbourne. Contact: The Meeting Planners, ph 03