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What benefits did your institution identify prior to becoming an early adopter, and have these benefits been realised?

How responsive has Ex Libris been to your institution as an early adopter.

What is the mechanism for communication and has this relationship changed as you move into the implementation phase?



What process are being used/or planned to determine the business rules for functionality such as acquisitions, roles, configuration and integrations, etc.



What has been your data migration experience and plans to date? Is there data that you are not planning to migrate, or data that you are not able to migrate?



Have you undertaken or plan to undertake any data cleanup projects prior to your migration to Alma?



What has been the impact of the regular releases during your implementation phase?
How have you managed this?



What are your plans for ensuring staff are trained to use Alma at go live?

Have your staff found the Ex Libris training and documentation to be helpful so far?

Do you anticipate that you will need to develop supplementary training resources, if so, why?



Does your implementation project incorporate a formal change management strategy?

If yes can you briefly outline the main components and indicate how successful it has been?



How will Alma change your current workflows?
How are changes being identified and implemented?
What efficiencies and/or overall savings in TCO do you expect to gain?



Many institutions import and export records either directly or via Z39.50 / SRU / OAI-PMH from OCLC, Libraries Australia and Te Puna.

How will your institution interact with these sources in the future? Do you anticipate any workflow changes?



One of Alma's goals is to simplify some areas such as circulation set-up.

Have you found any issues with moving to a simpler configuration?



How do you plan to update your patron records?
As Alma is a hosted solution, have any security and privacy factors influenced change to the personal information you manage with your patron records?



If you currently interface with an external enterprise financial system what changes have had to be made to integrate with Alma?



What is your experience with having the OpenURL resolver incorporated into Alma?



Are you using or plan to use non-MARC metadata in Alma?
If so, what do you anticipate your workflow to be, e.g. ingest
of metadata from an external digital asset management
system or do all the metadata work in Alma?



Questions from the floor?