
ANZREG Update

— End of Year Wrap Up 2021 —

Current ANZREG Committee



- **Chair (2021-2022)** - Stacey van Groll, University of Queensland
- **Deputy Chair / Chair Elect (2021-2022) & Product Development Advocate** - Amelia Rowe, RMIT University
- **Outgoing Chair** - Cate Bardwell, University of Otago
- **Financial Officer** - Roshan Thapa, Charles Sturt University
- **Secretary** - Lynne Billington, State Library of New South Wales
- **Web Manager** - Deborah Fitchett, Lincoln University
- **Communications Office & Co-Conference Coordinator** - Peta Hopkins, Bond University
- **Program Coordinator & Co-Conference Coordinator** - Rachel Salby, La Trobe University

What we do



- **ANZREG is a recognised forum of the International Group of Ex Libris Users (IGeLU) and Ex Libris, a ProQuest Company**
 - *aka we are an "INUG" - an IGeLU international User Group*
 - ANZREG strives to promote communication among users of Ex Libris software products at different institutions in New Zealand and Australia
 - ANZREG member institutions include national and state libraries, government departments, health libraries, educational providers, and higher education institutions
 - ANZREG represents users of Ex Libris products. We do not advocate for any particular products or services, including those owned by external vendors
 - ANZREG provides feedback locally and internationally to IGeLU
 - Membership is free to New Zealand and Australian libraries and institutions using one or more Ex Libris products
- Official bits: <https://anzreg.igelu.org/about-this-site/constitution-and-by-laws/>

2021 - Community Events



- **Times continue to be “interesting”**
 - Typically we hold a physical conference in May, and various online sessions throughout the year
 - Conference shifted online in 2020. Kept online for 2021 and also chunked into two bigger events
- **New**
 - All our event recordings on Youtube: <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCdyArH1UX3SI5aeCyCVczxw>
 - Code of Conduct: <https://anzreg.igelu.org/about-this-site/code-of-conduct/>
- **Timeline for 2021 events**
 - February – Primo VE: our experiences, including Go VE - *Cancelled* as we saw it was unnecessary
 - February – UX Design: Introduction to User Experience, precursor to Alma Cloud Apps Hackathon
 - March – Alma Cloud Apps Hackathon, in collaboration with Josh Weisman
 - ~600 activations for the published apps + inspiring US sites to run their own hackathon
 - May – Participant Reflection session for the Alma Cloud Apps Hackathon
 - August / September – took a backseat in lieu of IGeLU Conference, where Committee members and community members presented: <https://igelu.org/archive-of-presentations/2021-digital-conference>
 - October – Resource Sharing mini-conference, in collaboration with Judith Fraenkel
 - November – End of Year Wrap Up Networking Event

2021 - Advocacy to IGeLU



- **INUG Reports to IGeLU:** <https://anzreg.igelu.org/about-this-site/reports-to-igelu/>
 - Two meetings before the IGeLU Conference every year, one with INUG Chairs and IGeLU SC, and then the next joined by Ex Libris Senior Product Management
- **Items we raised in 2021**
 - Ongoing support and responsibility for Cloud Apps - *still a little uncertain*
 - Ongoing COVID-19 impact and information overload - *not continued to 2nd INUG*
 - Support for Evidence Based Practice in Analytics, with issue raised of Primo Analytics actions recorded in UTC - *fix coming in May 2022, to align user actions to real time*
- **Items we raised in 2020 (and 2019)**
 - Alma Release Dates - *ongoing benefits each year with pushed back Jan release*
 - Microlanguages in Primo - *supported as of Oct 2021 (Primo VE) & Nov 2021 (Primo BO)*
 - See <https://igelu.org/archives/14382>
 - ANZREG Salesforce account - *not the best channel for regional issues*

2021 - Advocacy to Ex Libris



- **Quarterly meetings with Ex Libris / ProQuest**

- **New:** Advocacy page sharing items raised: <https://anzreg.igelu.org/about-this-site/advocacy/>
- 2020 - Amanda Healy, Ex Libris
- 2021 - Katelin Grammer, ProQuest Vice President Sales, Oceania

- **Items raised in 2021**

- Chat support for our region - *is it ever coming?* - **Alma Dec 6th!**
- Options for highlighting regional issues
- Premium Services offerings
- Primo Analytics reflecting user engagement for our region by correct timezone
- Non-inclusive terminology eg 'Higher Education Platform', New Zealand, "Fall", VE/BO
- Content issues ie Informit platform shift, including EduTV and TVNews
- Encouraging engagement by Ex Libris representatives directly with our listserv
- Clarifying representative relationships between ProQuest / Ex Libris / Clarivate
- Plans in the Resource Sharing area and Partner updates
- Also: Analytics ETL delays, and plans for Alma-D and Rosetta