

## Ex Libris Expands its European Organization with a Wholly Owned Subsidiary in Italy

**This 10th Ex Libris office will work directly with the Company's expanding customer base in Italy and Slovenia**

**Verona, Italy – July 14, 2009.** Ex Libris® Group today announced the opening of Ex Libris Italy—a wholly owned subsidiary of the Company. The opening of this office, part of the continually expanding Ex Libris European organization under the management of Marc Daubach, corporate VP and general manager Europe, follows the Company's acquisition of Atlantis s.r.l., exclusive distributor of Ex Libris products in Italy and Slovenia since 1989. Liliana Morotti—previously chief operations officer and marketing director at Atlantis--will assume the role of general manager of Ex Libris Italy responsible for sales and marketing in Italy and Slovenia.

The first Ex Libris distributorship worldwide, Atlantis was central in introducing, implementing, and supporting the entire Ex Libris product suite in the Italian and Slovenian market. Amongst the over 70 prestigious academic and national institutions running Ex Libris products in these countries are the Bank of Italy, the National and University Library in Slovenia, the universities of Genova, Firenze, Padova, and Siena, and the Camera dei Deputati and Senato della Repubblica--the two institutions that make up the Italian parliament.

"The very long friendship between Ex Libris and Atlantis began back in the 1980s, in the early days of library automation," explains Erwin Linthout, general manager of Atlantis s.r.l. "We are proud to have contributed to the incredible growth of Ex Libris in Italy and in Europe during the 20 years of our association with the Company. We are very pleased that Ms. Morotti will be continuing the Atlantis tradition in her new role with Ex Libris Italy. She has been extremely instrumental in introducing many of our customers to the Ex Libris products they use and in working with them to implement these solutions in their libraries and to enhance their Ex Libris product suite to meet the evolving needs of the institutions they serve. This in-depth knowledge of the local customer base will be a valuable asset as she assumes the responsibility for this thriving office."

"Atlantis s.r.l. has done an outstanding job in developing the Ex Libris customer base in Italy and Slovenia and in supporting these customers over the years," comments Marc Daubach, corporate vice president and general manager, Europe at Ex Libris. "Forward-thinking and creative members of the Ex Libris user community, members

of this regional customer base are active participants in both local and international Ex Libris user group activity. We are pleased to be opening the 10<sup>th</sup> Ex Libris office in this dynamic region.”

### **About Ex Libris**

Ex Libris is a leading provider of automation solutions for academic, national, and research libraries. Offering the only comprehensive product suite for electronic, digital, and print materials, Ex Libris provides efficient, user-friendly products that serve the needs of libraries today and will enable them to transition into the future. Ex Libris maintains an impressive customer base consisting of thousands of sites in more than 70 countries on six continents.

Dedicated to developing creative solutions in close collaboration with customers, Ex Libris enables libraries to maximize productivity and efficiency and, at the same time, greatly enhance the user experience. By empowering users to discover and obtain the information they need, libraries ensure their position as the bridge to knowledge.

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