

NBD Biblion in the Netherlands Selects Primo and Aleph by Ex Libris

Serving a nationwide network of libraries, this library supply foundation selected Ex Libris solutions for their open architecture, Web 2.0 functionality, and the Company's strong international reputation

Jerusalem, Israel – May 27, 2009. Ex Libris™ Group is pleased to announce that NBD Biblion has selected the Company's Primo® discovery and delivery solution, and the Aleph® integrated library system. Reaching five million citizens of the Netherlands, NBD Biblion offers products and services to hundreds of public libraries in the Netherlands, including central IT services, a national distribution service, and a central online catalog of over 600,000 titles.

Following a rigorous selection process, Fons Bouthoorn, media manager at NBD Biblion, commented that Primo and Aleph were chosen to improve the experience of the millions of users of the organization's libraries, via improved search performance and Web 2.0 functionality, supported by a robust cataloging service. "The total package--software and services--that Ex Libris offers is very attractive," he noted. Wilco de Gier, manager of ICT product development at NBD Biblion, added that "the open architecture of Primo perfectly complements the functionality of our existing systems. Aleph's Oracle based application fits well with all of our Oracle-based business applications."

For Henk Das, CEO of NBD Biblion, the global expertise and track record of Ex Libris were compelling factors in the organization's choice of Aleph and Primo. "Ex Libris is a world-renowned supplier of library systems to famous libraries all over the world and has an excellent international reputation," he remarked.

Marc Daubach, corporate VP and general manager, Ex Libris Europe, commented, "We are delighted to welcome NBD Biblion to the growing Primo and Aleph customer communities in Europe. We are looking forward to collaborating with NBD Biblion in its ongoing work of making library resources readily and easily accessible to millions of Dutch citizens."

About NBD Biblion

The sole provider of bibliographic records to public libraries in the Netherlands, NBD Biblion is a library supply corporation, originally established by public libraries,

booksellers and publishers. Central library information services are performed by NBD Biblion for the public libraries in the Netherlands.

For additional information on NBD Biblion, see <http://www.nbdbiblion.nl>

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. For additional information on Ex Libris Group, see our [Web site](#), visit our [Initiatives](#) and [Commentary](#) blogs, and follow our [Twitter](#) page.