Reinventing regional and global metadata management
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The Evolving role of WorldCat in a global environment
A global network – on each level

AGGREGATE

OPERATE

INFRASTRUCTURE
General structure of library IT services

**SERVICE MODULES**

- Metadata store

**Metadata Infrastructure** is both…
- The technology to store and manage metadata centrally for a group
- The network of relationships with partners and services in that process
OCLC infrastructure is unique

OCLC Infrastructure is **global, independent, and open**

Publishers / Aggregators

Catalogers

And others…

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Regional perspective
GLOBALIZATION DOES NOT MEAN HOMOGENIZATION

Globalization happens by opening up to the essential differences in the world and integrating them into one global platform.
Infrastructure Evolution

- Evolve regional workflows
- Better efficiencies
- Greater visibility
Regional metadata management differs

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→ Tailor made solution for each region
Syndeo

Evolve Regional Metadata Practices

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Connect with libraries globally
Examples
UK National Bibliographic Knowledgebase
Jisc and OCLC partnership

Components

• WorldCat.org visibility
• Regional Catalog

Objectives

• Aggregates academic bibliographic data at scale & de-duplicate
• Regional governance of metadata quality and merging rules specifically
• Increase visibility of library collections and resource discovery for students and researchers
• Build foundation for UK research reserve and shared print initiatives
Infrastructure solution for BAC-LAC

Components

- WorldCat Cataloging tools incl. National Authority File
- WorldShare Resource Sharing
- WorldShare Acquisitions & Circulation
- WorldCat Discovery

Regional specific:
National authority file in Canadian-French
- Available during cataloging and
- Maintained in the same system
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Thank you