Alma Resource Sharing

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Resource Sharing in Alma is supported today in a range of different workflows and involves a variety of different systems:

- **Broker based integrated workflow**, involving systems such as ILLiad, Relais ILL/D2D, Inn-Reach or national and regional systems (using NCIP)
- **Peer to peer consortial borrowing**, implemented by NA consortia
- **Peer to peer resource sharing by non consortial libraries**, such as Australian libraries relaying requests through Libraries Australia Document Delivery (LADD).
- **Fulfillment Network**, which allows for direct services between libraries including direct requesting and walk in services.
- **Automated Fulfillment Network**, in which the patron places the request and Alma will route it to the appropriate member library.
Supported Patron Requests through Discovery

- Digitization Request
- Hold and Booking Request
- Purchase Request
- Resource Sharing Request
  - Book Request
  - Article Request
  - Delivery Fields
  - Copyright Fields
Current Activities in North America

325 libraries in North America using Alma resource sharing, with a variety of integrations

- Alma to Alma
- ILLiad
- OCLC WorldCat Navigator
- Relais D2D
- InnReach

150 libraries using Fulfillment Network

Info here:
https://developers.exlibrisgroup.com/alma/apis/partners
2019 Plan: Bringing It Together – The Hybrid Rota

Fulfillment Network (Consortial)

P2P (regional)

Broker (regional)

P2P

Broker

Including Support for new ISO 18626
Roadmap: Global Alma Partner List

• A list of partner records that is shared and exposed to all Alma institutions via the Community Zone

• Every institution will be able to contribute partners to the community list and/or update their information.

• Every institution that defines a new resource sharing library will be able to contribute its information to the community.
Possible Future Potential: Leveraging the Alma Cloud Data

• The library has a list of partners they work with regularly, but there may be additional resources that are owned by other libraries in Alma’s cloud.

• It should be possible to suggest these other libraries as options (assuming the other library is willing...)

• The Alma locate profiles will locate based on electronic coverage & license information
Future Potential: Leveraging the Alma Cloud Data

- Digital content will be delivered as emails with links to Alma managed temporary digital copies.
Information Sources

• **Ex Libris Knowledge Center** – documentation, training materials, presentations
  
  [https://knowledge.exlibrisgroup.com/](https://knowledge.exlibrisgroup.com/)

• **Developers’ Network** – API information, tech blog
  
  [https://developers.exlibrisgroup.com/](https://developers.exlibrisgroup.com/)

• **Ex Libris Trust Center** – certifications
  
  [https://trust.exlibrisgroup.com/](https://trust.exlibrisgroup.com/)

• **Idea Exchange** – post an idea
  
  [https://ideas.exlibrisgroup.com/](https://ideas.exlibrisgroup.com/)

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