



## **Eluna Learns Analytics Session Q & A**

**Does EVALUATE allow you to use all of the Oracle functions that would otherwise not be supported? What are the limitations to this, if any?**

Alvin Stockdale: We aren't sure of everything Evaluate will let you do. All we know is it let us do everything we showed in our presentation.

**This is very impressive. Do you think there maybe possibility for Ex Libris to have this type of function be incorporated as a build-in Alma analytics/Alma search in the future?**

Alvin Stockdale: We believe ExLibris could implement this on their end as our field is very similar to the existing Title (Normalized) field.

**How long did this project take from start to finish?**

Alvin Stockdale: About 7 months

**It looks like you were using non-Alma Analytics (Oracle Analytics) tools. Did you connect external programs and applications to the APIs before you created the dashboard for the unique title search in Alma Analytics?**

Alvin Stockdale: No, all of this happened inside Alma Analytics. No need to connect to APIs

**What tools did you used other than the reference materials by other institutions and Alma Analytics?**

Alvin Stockdale: Oracle SQL documentation referenced on one of our final slides.

**Can you provide examples of some of the green mediations you have implemented/plan to implement as a result of the report?**

Sherry Fiust: Preservica is forming an Environmental Sustainability working group that will develop practical actions that our staff, customers and suppliers can take to reduce our overall carbon footprint. In addition, we are enhancing the way our digital preservation software operates in the cloud e.g. making use of mini-services and elastic compute.

**Do you believe it may be helpful to have collaborative efforts from multiple parties, including customer's participation to move this in more practical ways?**

Sherry Fiust: Yes. As the 7th Sustainability Principle, Environmental is high on the agenda of the Sustainability Council (which is made up of Preservica customers and industry professionals) who collaborate and refine the Principles.

**What is in it for Ex Libris? Is Ex Libris following and adopting your principles? Are you helping Ex Libris assess and audit their sustainability?**

Sherry Fiust: The Principles outlined in the Sustainability Charter can be used to assess any digital preservation provider or program.

**To follow up on the vendor question, this is something that many IT units at universities are doing. I think a good idea is to take this to the ELUNA SC for advocacy with Ex Libris.**

Sherry Fiust: Yes – it could also be applied to in-house IT resources that are providing long-term digital preservation services.

**How can we request to join the committee?**

Davin Pate: Please email Davin Pate (davin.pate@utdallas.edu). We are looking for one ELUNA member and One IGeLU member.

**Where to access the data dictionary?**

Raphael Gabbay: The Data Dictionary will just be an updated version of the Alma Analytics documentation existing today as part of the Ex Libris Online Help. It will just be more enriched and informative.

Do you think it would have been easier to start with a different area?

Raphael Gabbay: Yes. We have started with one of the hardest areas. We do expect some of the Subject Areas to be easier to enrich. We might actually choose to focus on an easier area for our next Subject Area. TBD with the Analytics CoP.