

Access, Speed, & ROI for Published Content

Sandia National Laboratories Technical Library eContent Acquisition Transformation

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Setting the Stage for eContent Acquisition Transformation

What the end-users want

- I want to know something; I don't want to work very hard to get it; How can you help me?
- eContent – I want it all; I want it yesterday; I don't want to pay anything (or much) for it

What the CIO wants

- ROI
- The right-sized content budget
- Modernize through technology

What the Library needs to do

- Consolidate, standardize and simplify process & services; with greater efficiencies
- Reduce labor costs
- Provide insight into customer-base
- Provide seamless access to already subscribed to/owned/licensed content
- Expand access to external “mediated” eContent

The “Library” Sandia is building

- Largely electronic
- Unlimited access to information in a timely fashion
- Increased capability to find what you need
- Operates proactively as a resource for the whole Sandia community

Drivers

- Manual process; labor & time intensive
- Convoluted Process (e.g. more than one vendor; request tracking, billing & payment; charge-backs)
- Lack of reporting capability (e.g. poor & inconsistent metadata)
- Cycle-time (FY05-FY09 7-days to fulfill external requests)
- Reduction in document-delivery personnel; From 3 – 1

Goal

- Contract and implement single-source document-delivery provider and customer interface for document-delivery requests

Objectives

- Provider will handle all document requests, incl. articles, reports, theses, standards, foreign language items, etc
- Customers will have 24/7 access directly to provider
- Provider supplies capability for metrics; this including statistics at a granular level and chargeback info
- Delivery model = eContent
- Link-back to eContent Library owns/subscribes to

Achieved Results

- ROI
 - Transformed Library document-delivery to a self-service model
 - Deployed potential for 0-touch and 24/7 access to information
 - Consolidated, standardized and simplified Library document-delivery services
 - Reduced labor cost needed for this work
 - Achieved greater request and fulfillment efficiencies
 - Gained insight into journal use for collection management & content budget
 - Gained insight into customer-base
 - Provided for seamless access to already owned/subscribed to content
- Technology solution
 - “Modernized” this aspect of library services in alignment with value proposition
 - Self-service model
 - Reduced complexities and burdens on customers needing access and on staff doing the work
 - Aligns with executive management messages to simplify and radically change way we do business ‘that works for the Labs’
 - Aligns with CIO direction to deploy technologies to enable the mission



eContent Acquisition – An Emerging SNL Strategy

World of access is changing

- The Internet (immense amount of information)
- Ubiquitous computing & high-speed networks (at our fingertips)
- Engaged interactively and visually
- Anywhere, anytime

Game Changers

- Librarians/Libraries no longer have “keys-to-the-kingdom”
- Economic recession (not about ownership; is about access & sustainability)
- Information is less siloed
- Open-Access

The Future at SNL?

- Non-subscribed model
- Local Loads
- At point-of-need
- Customer-driven

The Benefits

- Increased access to desired information
- Dynamic content; Collection agility and flexibility
- Right-size content budget; granular visibility into use