Providing a Library Management Solution for the world's largest university press.

OXFORD UNIVERSITY PRESS CHOOSE SOUTRON FOR THEIR LIBRARY MANAGEMENT SOLUTION

Oxford University Press is the world's largest university press with the widest global presence and offices in 50 countries. They offer an incredibly diverse publishing programme in many countries, in more than 40 languages, and in a variety of formats– print and digital.

As a department of the University of Oxford their worldwide publishing furthers the University's objectives of excellence in scholarship, research and education.

They currently publish more than 6,000 titles a year worldwide, in a variety of formats. A range that includes dictionaries, English language teaching materials, children's books, journals, scholarly monographs, printed music, higher education textbooks and schoolbooks.

CHALLENGE

In 2012 Oxford University Press (OUP) were seeking a new Library Management System. A cloud based solution that would provide universal access, work alongside SharePoint and provide a connectivity to a central search facility via EBSCO.

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Publisher's library such as ourselves with strong emphasis on business information services"

"We chose Soutron because they were the only supplier, who bid for our business that were genuinely willing to help develop an LMS solution that was really tailored to our specific needs."

SOLUTION

Andrea says "The professionalism and willingness to support OUP and the provision of a comprehensive demonstration of their solution convinced my team that Soutron was the best choice of supplier for our new library management solution."

"We must add that compared to other LMS suppliers Soutron provided the perfect solution for a corporate library."

RESULTS

"After using the Soutron Library Management System for some time now, we can honestly say it has helped us in so many ways" says Andrea. "It is very easy to manage and control and as a cloud-based system, it allows us to provide access to anyone we wish. We add around 200-500 accessions a week and unlike other systems we have used in the past, all users can use the Soutron system simultaneously."

To be able to demonstrate to management how important a library is within an organisation is key to the existence of many corporate libraries today.

Soutron LMS has a selection of reports available that can be produced with statistics and reports on usage. These can be customised with ease. Andrea says, "These reports have helped prove just how valuable the library is to the organisation at director level, thanks to the excellent reporting features of the LMS and the willingness of the after sales service team to write new reports for us as we require."

Soutron comes fully managed with a personalised help desk and application or technical support on hand whenever needed. Andrea concludes by saying "The communications we receive and the support from the help desk is simply outstanding."

OUP are currently looking at extending the use of Soutron LMS for other applications within the organisation, such is the flexibility of the underlying database. Exciting times ahead.

Learn more about OUP by visiting their website:
www.oup.com

To find out how you can migrate to a customised cloud based library management system, start a conversation with Soutron today:
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