SCOPE AND TRENDS OF THE LIBRARY MANAGEMENT SYSTEMS (LMS) WITHIN UK MARKET

Syed Adnan Adil, PhD Scholar, School of Information Studies, UCL
Team Manager: Systems, Subscriptions and Licensing, London South Bank University
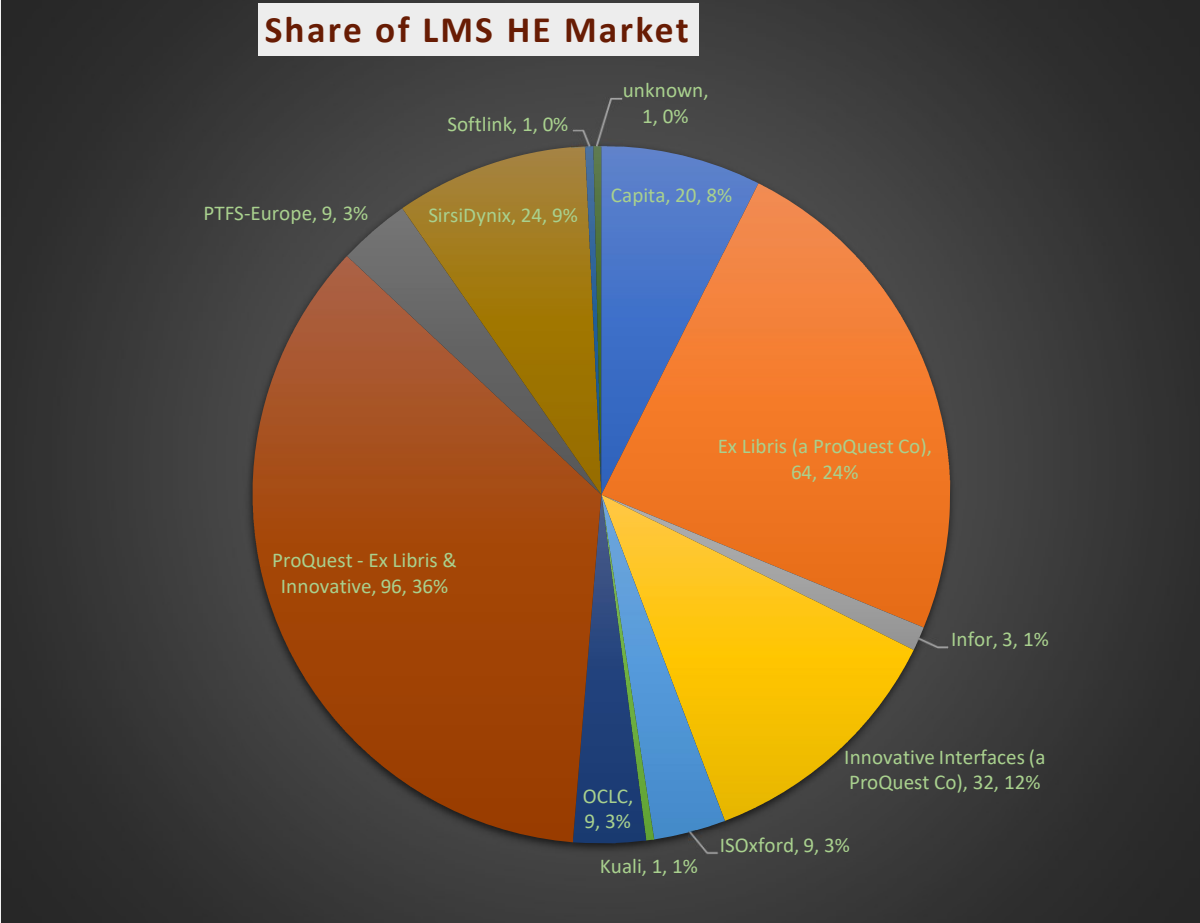
OBJECTIVES

Overview of the LMS uptake

Open-source vs Commercial solutions

Outsourcing vs internal expertise

Challenges post Covid-19

UK HIGHER EDUCATION MARKET MAY 2020

Share of LMS HE Market

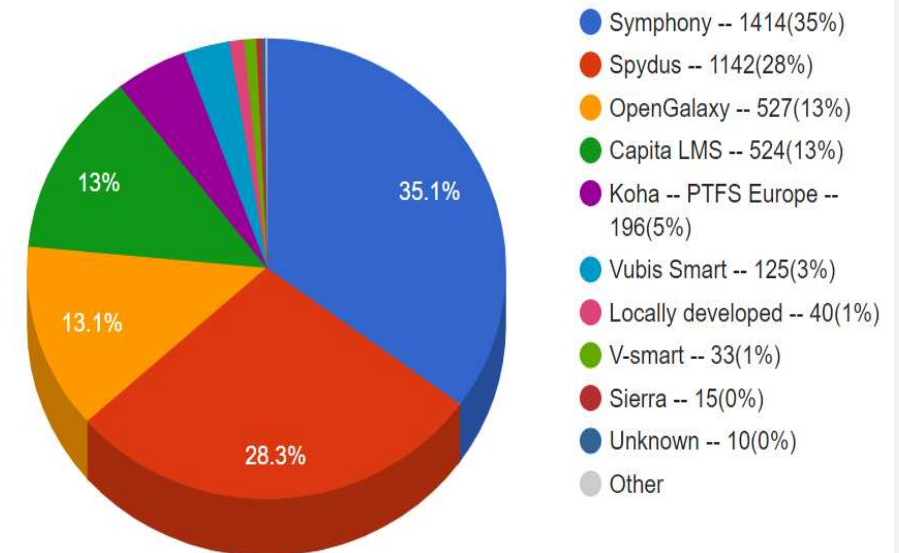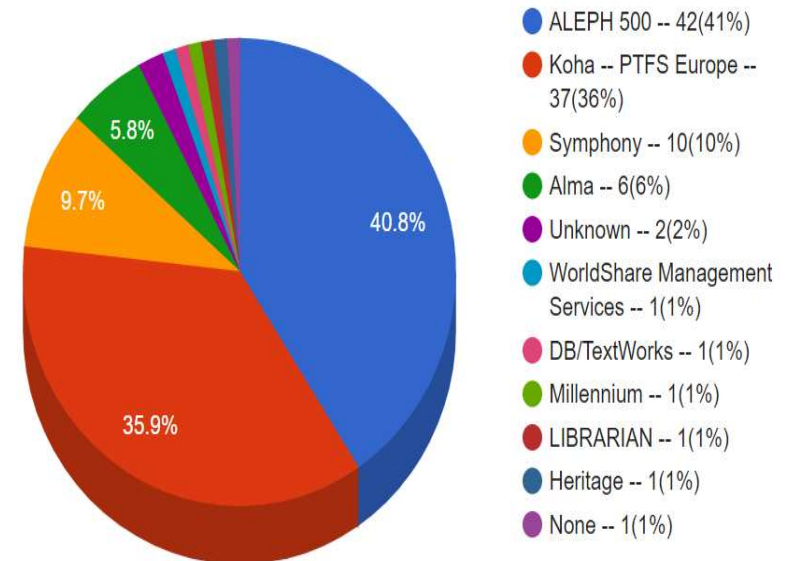| Suppliers	Sum of Customers
Capita	20
Ex Libris (a ProQuest Co)	64
Infor	3
Innovative Interfaces (a ProQuest Co)	32
ISOxford	9
Kuali	1
OCLC	9
ProQuest - Ex Libris & Innovative	96
PTFS-Europe	9
SirsiDynix	24
Softlink	1
unknown	1
Grand Total	269

Source: UK HELIBTECH; accessed 10 DEC, 2021

OVERVIEW OF LMS MARKET IN UK PUBLIC LIBRARIES

Distribution of Library Management Systems

Company	Product	Count	Percent
SirsiDynix	Symphony	1414	(35%)
Civica	Spydus	1142	(28%)
Axiell	OpenGalaxy	527	(13%)
Education Software Solutions	Capita LMS	524	(13%)
PTFS Europe	Koha -- PTFS Europe	196	(5%)
Infor	Vubis Smart	125	(3%)
Local Library	Locally developed	40	(1%)
Infor	V-smart	33	(1%)
Innovative Interfaces, Inc.	Sierra	15	(0%)
?	Unknown	10	(0%)
	ESS LMS (formerly Capita)	1	(0%)
LibraryThing	LibraryThing	1	(0%)
Librarika	Librarika	1	(0%)
Softlink International	Liberty	1	(0%)
Not Automated	None	1	(0%)

ILS implementations in Public Libraries in United Kingdom by Library Facilities

- Symphony -- 1414(35%)
- Spydus -- 1142(28%)
- OpenGalaxy -- 527(13%)
- Capita LMS -- 524(13%)
- Koha -- PTFS Europe -- 196(5%)
- Vubis Smart -- 125(3%)
- Locally developed -- 40(1%)
- V-smart -- 33(1%)
- Sierra -- 15(0%)
- Unknown -- 10(0%)
- Other

Total number of library organizations: **4031**.

OVERVIEW OF LMS MARKET IN UK MEDICAL LIBRARIES

Distribution of Library Management Systems

Company	Product	Count	Percent
Ex Libris	ALEPH 500	42	(41%)
PTFS Europe	Koha -- PTFS Europe	37	(36%)
SirsiDynix	Symphony	10	(10%)
Ex Libris	Alma	6	(6%)
?	Unknown	2	(2%)
OCLC	WorldShare Management Services	1	(1%)
Inmagic, Inc.	DB/TextWorks	1	(1%)
Innovative Interfaces, Inc.	Millennium	1	(1%)
Eurotec Consultants Ltd.	LIBRARIAN	1	(1%)
IS Oxford	Heritage	1	(1%)
Not Automated	None	1	(1%)

ILS implementations in Medical Libraries in United Kingdom by Library Facilities

- ALEPH 500 -- 42(41%)
- Koha -- PTFS Europe -- 37(36%)
- Symphony -- 10(10%)
- Alma -- 6(6%)
- Unknown -- 2(2%)
- WorldShare Management Services -- 1(1%)
- DB/TextWorks -- 1(1%)
- Millennium -- 1(1%)
- LIBRARIAN -- 1(1%)
- Heritage -- 1(1%)
- None -- 1(1%)

Total number of library organizations: **103**.
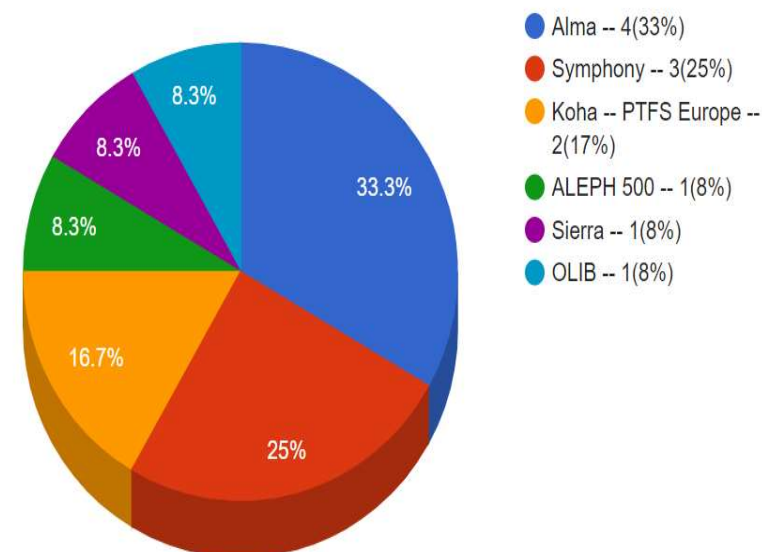
OVERVIEW OF LMS MARKET IN UK LAW LIBRARIES

Distribution of Library Management Systems

Company	Product	Count	Percent
Ex Libris	Alma	4	(33%)
SirsiDynix	Symphony	3	(25%)
PTFS Europe	Koha -- PTFS Europe	2	(17%)
Ex Libris	ALEPH 500	1	(8%)
Innovative Interfaces, Inc.	Sierra	1	(8%)
OCLC-PICA	OLIB	1	(8%)

ILS implementations in Law Libraries in United Kingdom by Library Facilities

- Alma -- 4(33%)
- Symphony -- 3(25%)
- Koha -- PTFS Europe -- 2(17%)
- ALEPH 500 -- 1(8%)
- Sierra -- 1(8%)
- OLIB -- 1(8%)

33.3%
25%
16.7%
8.3%
8.3%
8.3%

Total number of library organizations: **12**.

Overall analysis

➢ Koha's and overall Open Source LMS uptake is small: Public Libraries (196), Medical Libraries (37), Higher Education (09)

➢ Reported figures are from PTFS Europe

➢ KOHA support contract bought from the vendors

➢ Many libraries haven't reported their LMS choice

Trends in the LIS Literature

Library & Information Science Collection

su(library management system) OR su(integrated library software) OR su(library management software) AND su(open source) OR su(open source ils)

Source type

- Scholarly Journals (26)
- Magazines (6)
- Trade Journals (8)
- Blogs, Podcasts, & Websites (8)
- Conference Papers & Proceedings (1)

More >

49 results

Applied filters

Clear all filters

2011-01-01 - 2021-12-10

United Kingdom--UK

Publication date

2011 - 2021 (years)

Enter a date range

Update

EMERGING TRENDS IN LIS SECTOR POST COVID-19

➤ Declining loan figures for the print materials

➤ New service models

➤ Integrations vs unification ?

➤ Emergence of FOLIO

➤ Business models of open source support companies

➤ Implementing BIBFRAME

QUESTIONS ?

REFERENCES CAN BE PROVIDED ON REQUEST