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# *Working with Verde*

A open discussion on the use of Verde, and an opportunity to share best practice, and to discuss the challenges of managing electronic resources with (or without!) Verde

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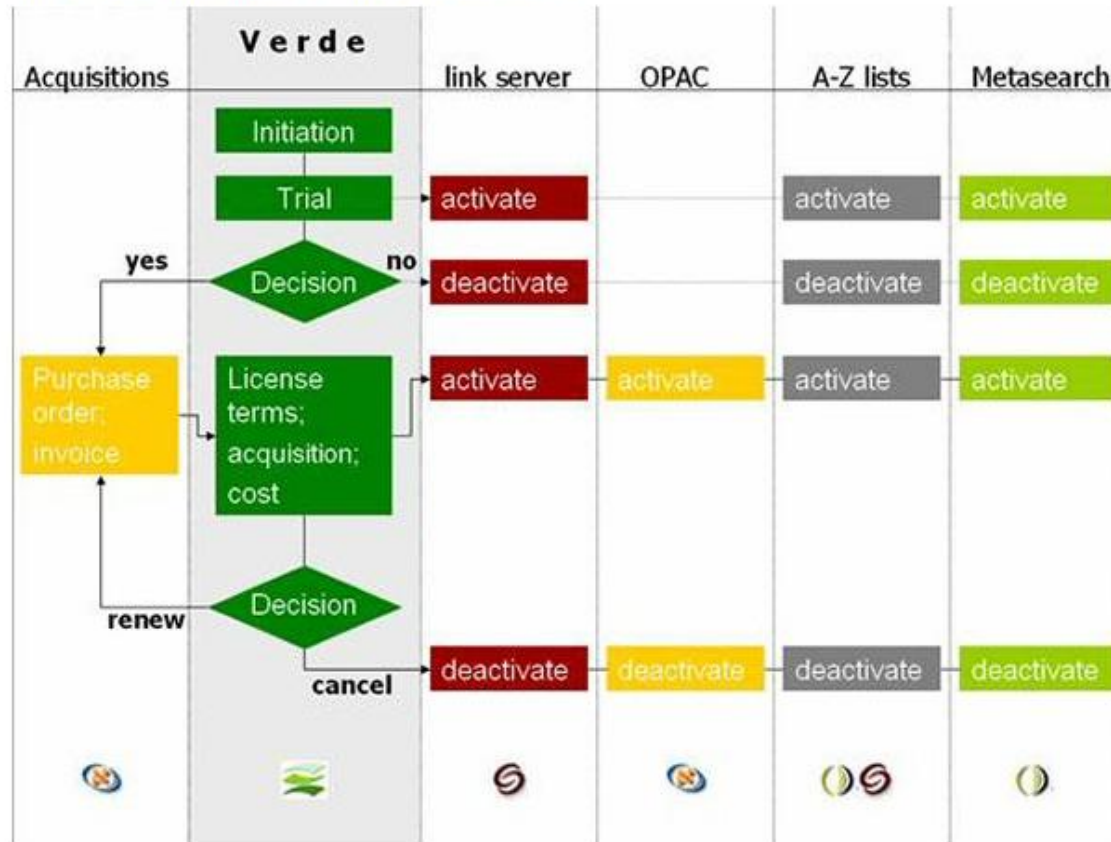
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# Verde in context

- Verde – launched 2004
- Now on version 2. End of life product ...
- Capabilities:
  - Links to **Aleph** (acquisitions and payment data)
  - Links to **SFX** (harvesting data, pushing out licence data to customers)
  - No obvious way of linking to and from **Metalib** or **Primo**
  - Ustat – manages usage data in COUNTER format

# Where Verde fitted in, 2004

Figure 2. Verde integrated into a library environment



# Our aims at KU

- Make some clauses of licence data **available to customers** and library staff
  - ILLs
  - Walk-in users
  - Coursepack use
- Include both A&I and full-text products, journals and books
- Log downtime and **resource reliability**
- Log required browsers, operating systems, etc.
- **Speed up** and **simplify** our processes!

# Top priorities for librarians ...?

- **Librarians' Top 6 ERM Priorities**

- 1. **WORKFLOW MANAGEMENT**

- Support across e-resource life cycle, including resource tracking, reminders, status assignments, routing and redistribution of workflow, and communication, or notifications to stakeholders or patrons

- 2. **LICENSE MANAGEMENT** Manage license details, provide storage for agreements, and display license terms for internal and external users

- 3. **STATISTICS MANAGEMENT** Obtain, gather, and organize usage statistics. Auto-upload statistics using -SUSHI standard. Provide historical statistics

- 4. **ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION STORAGE** Store and make accessible administrative information, such as usernames and passwords

- 5. **ACQUISITIONS FUNCTIONALITY** Provide acquisitions support for budget management, fund management, financial reporting, repository of cost data, and invoicing

- 6. **INTEROPERABILITY** Interoperate across systems, including the ILS, to support auto-feeds, data loads, and auto-updates

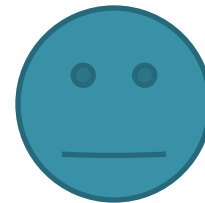
- Source: Building a better ERMs (Collins and Grogg, 2011)

# And lower list priorities ...

- Subscription management ... **public display** ... vendor contact information ... support for collection evaluation ... **consolidation of ERM information** ... package management ... **holdings management** ... reporting ... and usability.
- What would your top priorities be?

# Is Verde the ERM to answer our prayers?

- ... discuss ...
  - Front end tool or back office helper?
  - Sophisticated document store or simple storage mechanism?
  - Has the ERM had its day in the age of resource discovery tool?
  - Are we expecting too much?
  - VERDE > ALMA







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**V** – vendor management

**E** – electronic resources

**R** – reliability/robustness of platforms

**D** – digital deliverables

**E** - evaluating best practice