The Collaborative Approach
The BL Story

Publications Office/British Library on reuse of metadata

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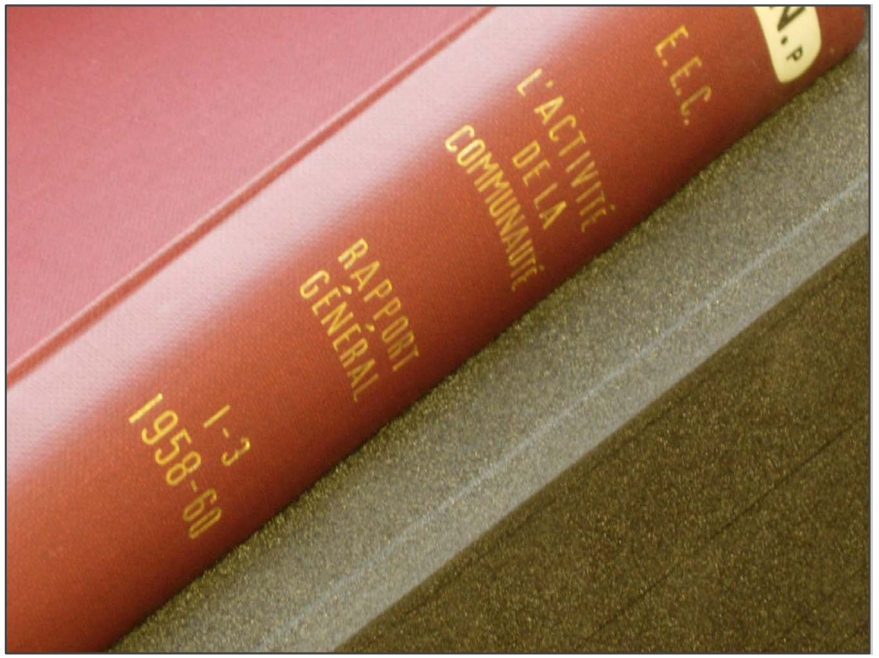
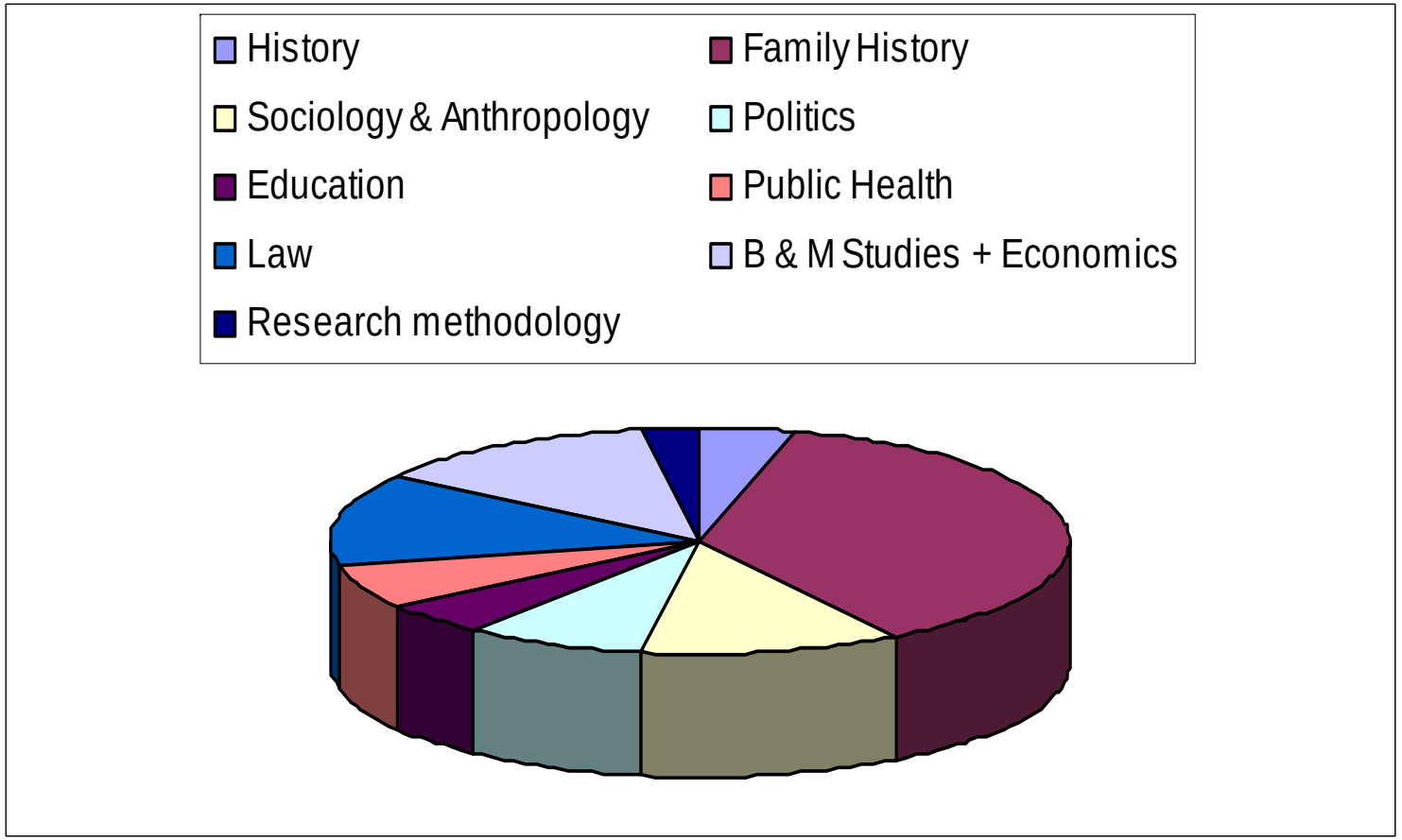
How the Project Come About?

- Change in the way BL users access OP publications;
- Raise awareness of the depth and breadth of OP digital collections beyond expert user groups;
- Address internal constraints on time and space;
- Provide ease of access to OP collections with minimal staff involvement;
- Promote EDC collection as a research resource.



Subject Statistics Snapshot June 2012



Source: Social Sciences Reading Room Enquires

Multi Disciplinary Dimension

Diplomacy public health refugees

Economic development agriculture

Human rights

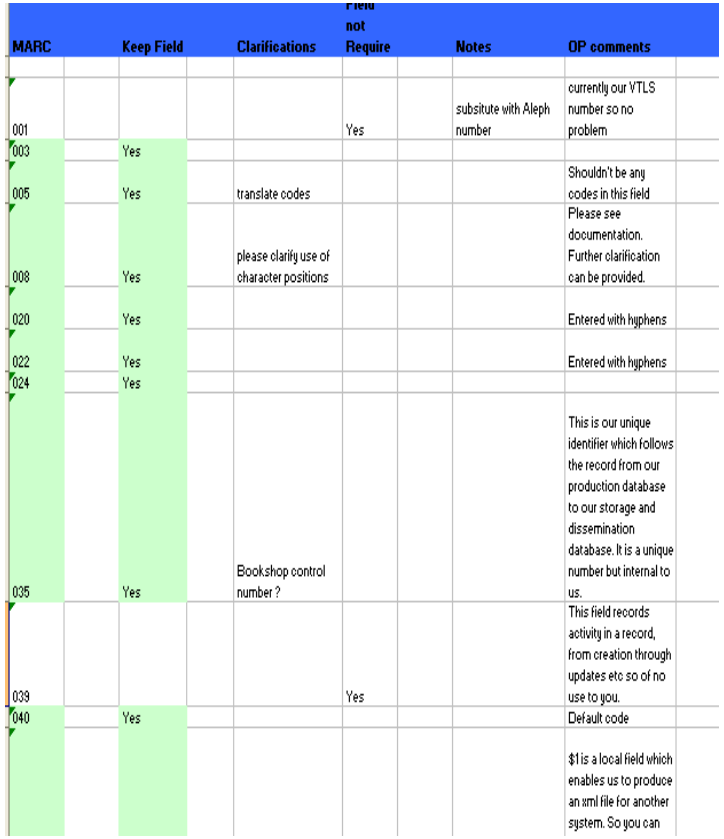
security law and adjudication

Disaster relief disarmament

education culture

The Project

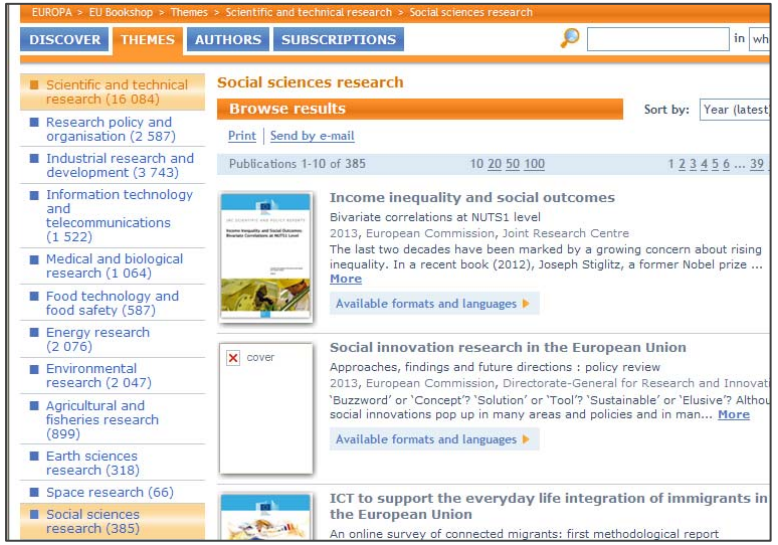
- Proposed in May 2011 and approved by the Discovery, Access and Delivery (DAD) Programme Board;
- Supply of sample records from OP;
- Examination of records by cataloguers and curators who undertook analysis of the OP records;
- Proposed amendments to records agreed and proposed to OP.



MARC	Keep Field	Clarifications	Field not Require	Notes	OP comments
001			Yes	subsitute with Aleph number	currently our VTLS number so no problem
003	Yes				
005	Yes	translate codes			Shouldn't be any codes in this field
008	Yes	please clarify use of character positions			Please see documentation. Further clarification can be provided.
020	Yes				Entered with hyphens
022	Yes				Entered with hyphens
024	Yes				
035	Yes	Bookshop control number ?			This is our unique identifier which follows the record from our production database to our storage and dissemination database. It is a unique number but internal to us.
039			Yes		This field records activity in a record, from creation through updates etc so of no use to you.
040	Yes				Default code
					$1 is a local field which enables us to produce an xml file for another system. So you can

Catalogue Records Ingested

- Test loading of sample records successful;
- December 2012 legal representatives of both organisations agreed terms covering the exported records;
- At the end of April 2013 export of 52,074 records happened;
- Followed by monthly updates of new publications.

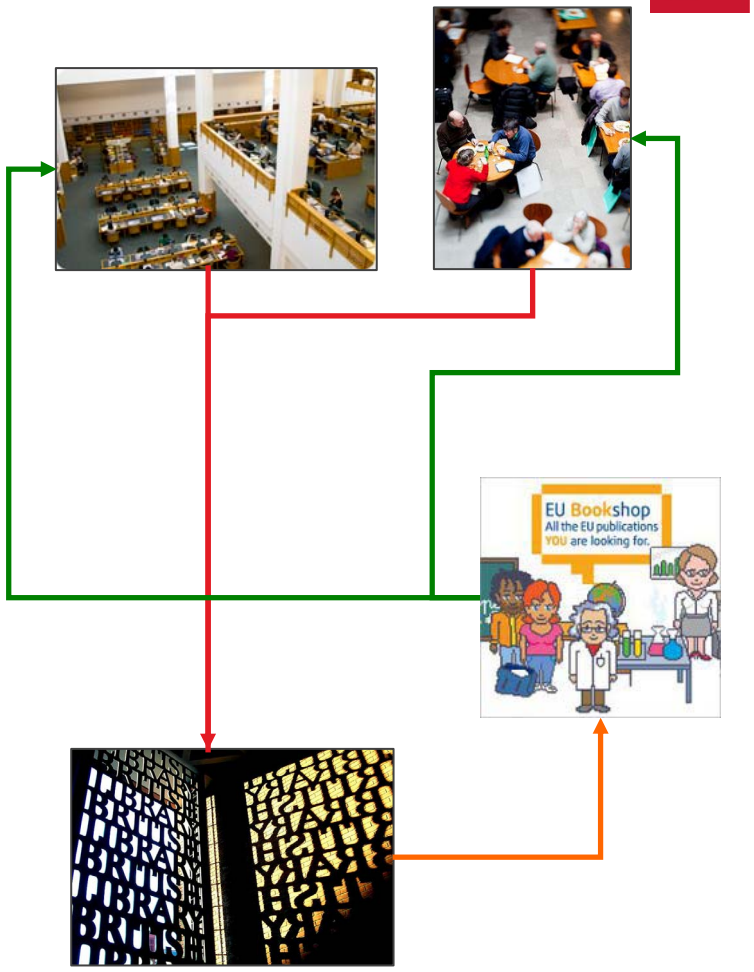


Scope

- No periodicals included – catalogued has individual items;
- If you are looking for a periodical it can be found directly in the EU Bookshop;
- Some records do not have a document attached;
- Some records are for CD-Rom or DVD items.

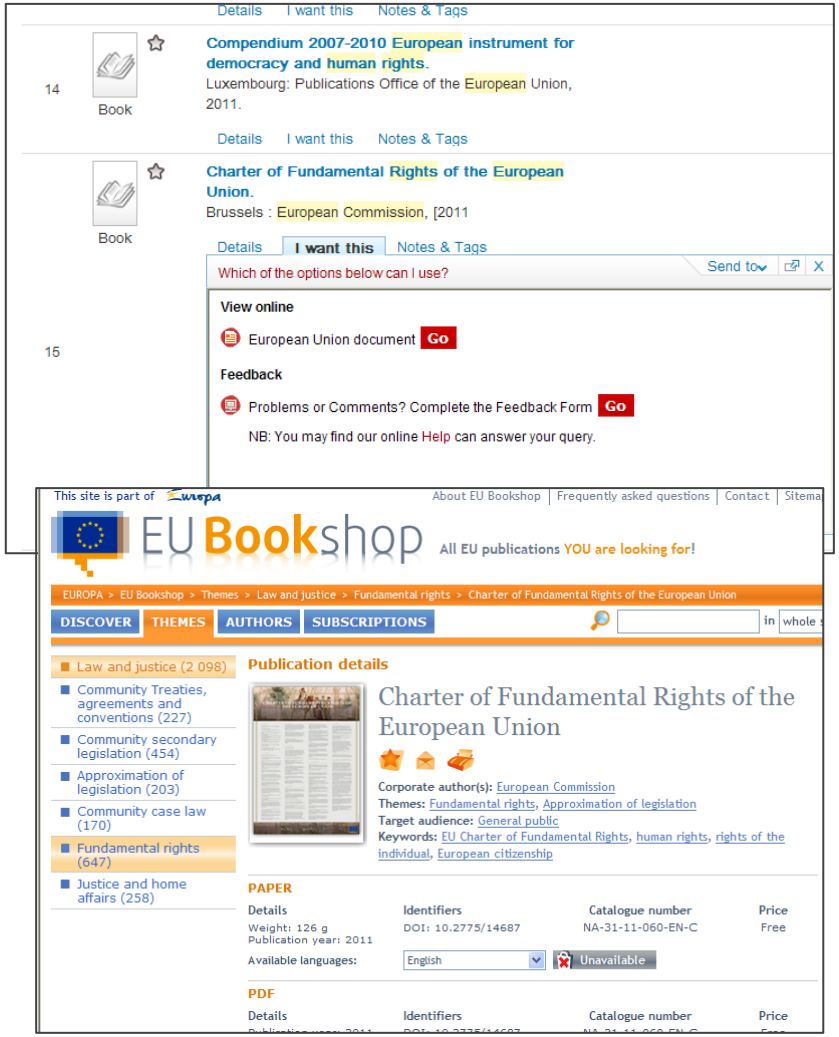
User Ecology

- Agreed to “connect” rather than “collect”;
- Digital item would remain in the OP secure repository and be connected to via the 856 field in the publication record;
- The BL just imports the record metadata not the digital item.

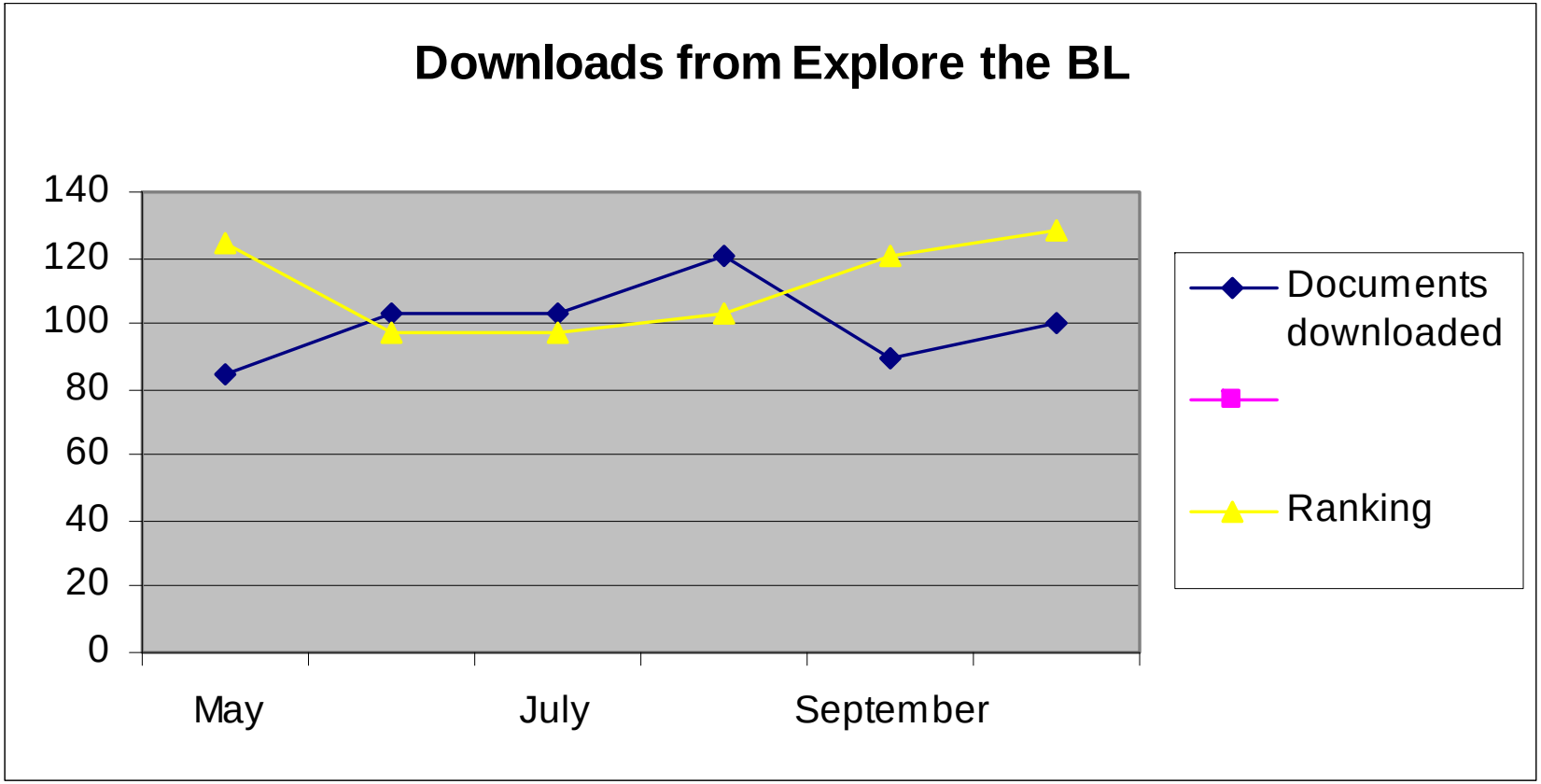


How to Get a Publication

- Records appear in the catalogue results in the normal way;
- Accessed via the “I want this Tab”;
- By selecting the “European Union Document” it clicks through to the notice (record) page on the EU Bookshop website where the item can be downloaded;
- No necessity to login;
- Can access off the BL sites.



Measuring Success



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Feedback and Promotion

"Love it…..I also like the use of plain language."

…it becomes even more important to make the electronic [publications] transparent and searchable for by students.

"I have just tried it and it works really well."

Thank you…
Now over to Carol…

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