

# Content News

## 2024

Dear community members,

I am happy to share with you the February 2024 content newsletter.

### **Provider Zone Rollout**

Starting with an important announcement on the Provider Zone: we are at the final stages of decommissioning this project to ensure remaining PZ collections and portfolios will be updated on a daily bases in Alma Direct (you can read more about the Alma Direct initiative [here](#)).

This will affect PZ collections from IEEE, Sage and ProQuest eBook Central.

The changes will be published in the Community Zone Update Task List report under "Portfolio bibliographic record updated" as PZ portfolios will be reattached to Community Zone Bib records. You will be able to see the listed changes as of next week, as they start to gradually rollout.

The PZ indication will also be removed from the PZ Bib records, portfolios and collections.

This change will not affect activations or availability, please find the timeline and more information in the [Knowledge Article](#).

### **ER&L Conference**

In the upcoming ER&L conference in March, I will be presenting a session on *Managing Metadata for New Content* with the co-chair of the Content Working Group, Charlie Remy from Dartmouth College. For those of you planning to attend the ER&L conference in person, I would be happy to meet and discuss any topic that comes to mind. Feel free to reach out to me directly to schedule a meeting: [tamar.ganor@clarivate.com](mailto:tamar.ganor@clarivate.com).

### **Provider Platform**

One of our Data Excellence initiative focus areas for 2024 is enhancing our workflows with content providers. Our development team has set up an Alma-like environment for providers to review their collections as they are reflected to the community. Providers who have access to this environment reported a high

adoption rate and use with the platform. You can read more about the initiative [here](#), and inform providers they can reach out and ask for access credentials [Provider.Relations@exlibrisgroup.com](mailto:Provider.Relations@exlibrisgroup.com).

Get to know Content Operations - introducing Shauna:



Since 2019, Shauna has been working on the Delivery Ingest team to “make ProQuest beautiful” in the Ex Libris knowledgebases. In this role, she wears many hats - metadata ingestion analyst, intra-company provider relations, and Tier 3 support - for the ProQuest suite of providers: ProQuest, Alexander Street, and Ebook Central (...plus a couple others). If something for one of these providers looks weird in the KBs, she either knows about it, or she will soon! She enjoys cross-team and cross-company cooperation to find solutions, share knowledge, and improve processes. Her attention to detail and commitment to clear, informed communication are also key to collaborating with her colleagues worldwide - most of her colleagues are in a time zone 7 hours ahead of her.