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## **NEWBOOKS Solutions acquires Libri.biz**

**Libri hands over its eProcurement platform for corporate booksellers and library suppliers to NEWBOOKS Solutions – Libri.biz now renamed “Newbooks.biz”**

**Cologne – Libri.biz, one of the leading eProcurement solutions for corporate booksellers and library suppliers has recently gone through a change in ownership. The name Libri.biz has thus been renamed "Newbooks.biz" and respectively the platform will be operated by the Cologne-based software house and metadata specialist/vendor NEWBOOKS Solutions in the future.**

"As an eProcurement specialist, we stand for the continued operation and further development of Newbooks.biz. The aim is to integrate many additional corporate and library services into this product. We are very grateful for the trust that Libri has placed in us. The business with corporate clients, public authorities and libraries – and thus fast, cost-effective and at the same time high-quality provision of individual order proposals – is becoming increasingly important, especially for medium-sized corporate booksellers and library suppliers", explains Moritz Hodde, Managing Director of NEWBOOKS Solutions

One matter remains unchanged: the platform offers booksellers in their business with corporate customers, public sector clients and libraries a simple and integrated ordering option for books, journals and other media such as online databases. NEWBOOKS

Solutions is taking over further development, maintenance and metadata for the platform and offers at the same time an extended service to existing and new customers.

Publishers can also continue to order their individual literature needs over the so-called "employee shop" quickly and efficiently; and likewise, the orders for the publisher's shop remain to be carried out via Libri.

NEWBOOKS Solutions also relies on the combination of flexibility and quality in its database: the data sources required by customers are imported and linked, and NEWBOOKS editorial team ensures the quality of their integration and classification scheme. Furthermore, Newbooks.biz customers will not only have access to "NEWBOOKS"—the leading catalogue for specialist literature in German speaking countries and beyond with its approximately 2.2 million titles, but they will also receive a license for all three sections of the database: professional and academic titles, online databases and the new journals database.

Stefan Schwedt, CIO of NEWBOOKS Solutions explains: "As a system house, we want to make the technologies, that facilitate the bookselling business, accessible to as many booksellers as possible, while simultaneously acting in the interest of our publisher customers wishing to support their business partners with high data quality during development of new distribution channels."

### **About NEWBOOKS Solutions**

NEWBOOKS Solutions GmbH (Cologne) is one of the German publishing industry's leading software providers, developing solutions for all sectors of the publishing industry at a time of rapid transformation driven by digitization. The company is focused on developing and administering systems for publishers, booksellers, wholesalers and library suppliers in both the German and international markets.

The company was founded by Moritz Hodde in 2003 and quickly developed into one of the industry's leading providers of high-quality metadata and software solutions. Collaboration with the software provider iucon quickly led to development of a range of new title alerting services based on the NEWBOOKS Catalogue containing both German and English bibliographic data, an approval plan system for library suppliers, an industry-wide solution for the ONIX 3.0 import of title data and the new title announcement and ordering system «SARA» for Springer Nature.

In 2013 Moritz Hodde and Amr Osman founded NEWBOOKS Solutions together with Stefan Schwedt and Björn Stude. Since then the company has developed groundbreaking solutions for the industry such as VLB-TIX, the standard new title announcement service for the German-speaking publishing industry. With its ONIX 3.0 import and export systems NEWBOOKS Solutions has become one of the pioneers in the introduction and implementation of the book industry standard.

In June 2016 NEWBOOKS Solutions received the «MarkLogic Partner Excellence Award» in London. New services and products, e.g. Smart Data projects, Virtual Reality application development, and the new tool «Library Monitoring», complete NEWBOOKS' product range.

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