

## **INTRALLECT WINS £250k LEARNING TECHNOLOGY CONTRACT**

### **Major learning object repository for UK academic sector**

Edinburgh-based learning technology specialist Intrallect has been awarded a £250,000 contract to develop a national learning object repository on behalf of the Joint Information Systems Committee (JISC).

The repository service for learning and teaching materials, called JORUM, will be managed by the national data centres EDINA and MIMAS. JORUM will use Intrallect's market leading Learning Object Management System, intraLibrary, to store and organise learning materials and resources, so they can be shared and reused throughout the UK's Further and Higher Education communities. The service will be available to further and higher education institutions throughout the UK from August 2005.

Intrallect won the contract after a rigorous competitive tendering process. The data centres carried out a major scoping and appraisal study prior to the procurement.

Charles Duncan, CEO, Intrallect said: "We are delighted to have intraLibrary selected by Jorum and look forward to working with the team. This system is leading the world in its scope and it aims to stay at the leading edge with further development over the next three years."

Susan Eales, Programme Manager at JISC said, "JISC supports and funds a number of initiatives that aim to facilitate wider access to intellectual output within the further and higher education community. The JORUM repository is a core element of JISC's Strategy that will enable teachers to adapt and re-use each other's learning materials. The IntraLibrary system from Intrallect will support these key objectives and help to foster a new sharing culture."

The Director of MIMAS, Julia Chruszcz, said: "After surveying the requirements of the user community, we had to find a system that would not only deliver a solution but also be scalable, extensible and deliver good value for money. We took into consideration the skills and experience of the system providers, the support arrangements, ability to meet timescales and Intrallect's willingness to meet emerging requirements."

The Director of EDINA, Peter Burnhill, added: "Our scoping study gave us a list of demanding requirements from our colleagues in colleges and universities around the UK, with the need for a user-friendly system interface and good support services being paramount. We are very pleased to be able to offer them intraLibrary and to work with the team at Intrallect and JISC to develop our services to the academic community."

For further information about Intrallect and intraLibrary visit [www.intrallect.com](http://www.intrallect.com)

For further information about JISC please visit [www.jisc.ac.uk](http://www.jisc.ac.uk)

For further information about JORUM, and to read the report from the scoping study, please visit [www.jorum.ac.uk](http://www.jorum.ac.uk)

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