TDNet, Leading Software Supplier to Libraries, Information Centers, Enables Remote Access to E-Resources with Eduserv Athens

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Authenticated users from New York, London, India and Toronto to Paris, Washington, Russia and China gain seamless access from campus and remotely to their e-resources via their TDNet A-Z portal and linking to full text via the TDNet OpenURL resolver, all without the need for a local proxy server.

Libraries can also allocate different sets of resources to diverse groups of users, and then generate advanced usage statistics per groups of users.

Gateway functionality within the Athens service also allows Shibboleth-enabled organizations to be able to access Athens protected resources and allows Athens users to be able to access Shibboleth-enabled resources.

In partnership with the Eduserv Athens system, TDNet's authentication and access management service thus simplifies controlled access to an organization's electronic and digital information resources. This service is especially important for medical, academic and corporate libraries without access to local IT staff and resources.

"We've been satisfied customers of both TDNet and Athens for several years," said Joan Yanicke, Director of the Medical Library at St. Vincent Hospital in Worcester, Massachusetts. "It has made access easier for our users, to be sure. Equally important it has made the library's job of managing a large collection of electronic resources a breeze. For those of us who do not have proxy servers Athens is a wonderful and time effective means to provide remote access yet keep access control in our own hands rather than having to depend on the IT department. The products are great, the sales and support staff are knowledgeable and committed to helping customers, and I can't think of a better combination."

"TDNet and the Athens information access team helps to ensure that my patrons have the most current medical information right at their fingertips, no matter where they are or what time of day," says Robb Mackes, DelMIRA Project Director and Document Delivery Manager at the Delaware Academy of Medicine in Newark, Delaware.

In addition to its authentication service, TDNet offers a full suite of customized e-resource management and access options for libraries to maximize the growing investment in electronic, digital and other information resources while containing staff and administrative costs. These include: Integrated "discovery to delivery"
The TDOne platform integrates access to all of the internal and external information resources available across the enterprise with TDNet's powerful search and browse technology. Incorporated directly onto the organization's homepage or portal, this solution allows end users to easily discover and access content from local information repositories, external e-resources, journal and book collections and more.

Federated Search - TDNet's Searcher Analyzer is a powerful federated searching solution with real-time results analysis and automatic metadata tagging. Federated Search features advanced personal profiling and alerting services that can be customized to meet the specific requirements of corporate and government information centers. For an organization, the system connects to external databases as well as to internal repositories, and fully integrates with content and knowledge management systems and various enterprise portals such as Microsoft Office SharePoint Server (MOSS).

OpenURL Resolver - TDNet's TOUResolver provides sophisticated full-text linking with customized options. TDNet builds a custom KnowledgeBase of a library's holdings, providing accurate resolving of both journal and book citations with a hosted solution.

E-Resource portal provides A-Z access to e-journals, e-books and databases, including vendor and coverage information, as well as full-text links. Optional integration of print resources.

Table of Contents service creating access to a rolling 18-month archive of TOC's for thousands of journal titles with online searching and title/keyword alerts and RSS feeds.

Document delivery providing document ordering management services via all TDNet applications and also in partnership with the British Library (BLD+) for document delivery.

Administrative functionality - management of electronic resources including basic acquisition, licensing and management services. This feature provides usage reports and statistics.

TDNet's outsourcing information software digital solutions are affordable and require little maintenance on the part of library staff. Medical and corporate libraries benefit especially from being able to manage and present their electronic and print collections on a customized portal without the purchase of an expensive ILS.

Researchers are able to discover relevant information and link to full text articles quickly and successfully, as well as easily setting up unlimited Table of Contents e-mail alerts and RSS feeds by subject or keyword. Integrated document delivery options allow instant access and help the library manage subscription costs.

TDNet develops and markets advanced solutions for institutional management and access of external and internal electronic resources. Key partnerships with industry leaders complement TDNet's fully integrated suite of services. Web services, integrated statistics, authentication and reference tools are also available. TDNet's unique solution is based on a premier KnowledgeBase of metadata for over 390,000 unique titles coupled with extensive experience in the information industry.

TDNet's global customer base includes academic libraries and consortia, medical and research libraries, corporate information centers, multinational corporations, and government agencies. For additional information about TDNet Inc.and its software information, access and management digital services, please visit
Eduserv is a not-for-profit IT service organization based in the UK. Its mission is to realize the benefits of IT for learning and research. Eduserv is dedicated to developing effective technology solutions that meet the needs of universities and colleges and are of value to the wider public sector.

Eduserv offers world-leading Access and Identity Management solutions, including the Athens and OpenAthens products and services, which enable organizations to provide learners and researchers with single sign-on access to online resources. Over four million users worldwide currently take advantage of access to protected resources from over 200 providers via these products and services.

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