Moving to Shibboleth at the University of Dundee

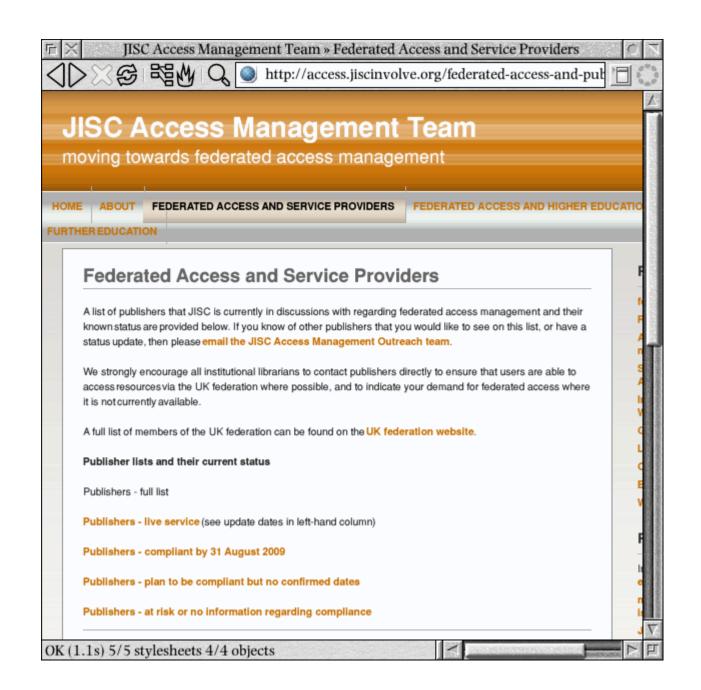
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Contacting publishers

- Are they preparing for Shibboleth?
- When will they be ready?
- Will they allow IP authentication?
- Do they support EZProxy?
- Do they have your IP range correct?
- Transfer of personalisation: any plans?

See http://access.jiscinvolve.org/federated-access-and-publishers/



Testing the Shibboleth implementations

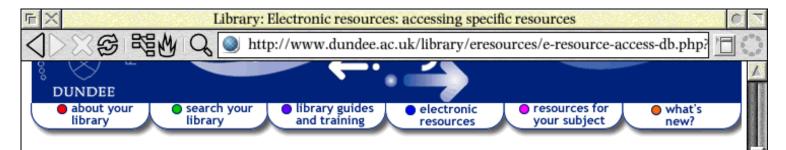
- Have your IdP ready!
- Release all core attributes (except eduPersonPrincipalName) by default
- Off-campus testing facility useful
 - dial up
 - broadband
 - eduRoam: check IP ranges again
 - at home
- Move people over early if you can

EZProxy as a fall-back

- Easy to set up
- Can use Shibboleth authentication!
- Set up all the Athens services
 - Even if they say they will be ready
- Can set up non-Athens services too
- May lose personalisation

Testing personalisation

- Is personalisation tied to the Athens account?
- Is a transfer mechanism planned?
- How many users are using the features?
- How important is the personalisation?
- Get information out to users in plenty of time



Accessing British Education Index

On campus

Access is via the Library proxy server.

Connect to British Education Index

Off campus

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Personalized features: saved searches, alerts

If you have saved searches or set up alerts, these are tied to your Athens username and will not be accessible after the end of July 2008.

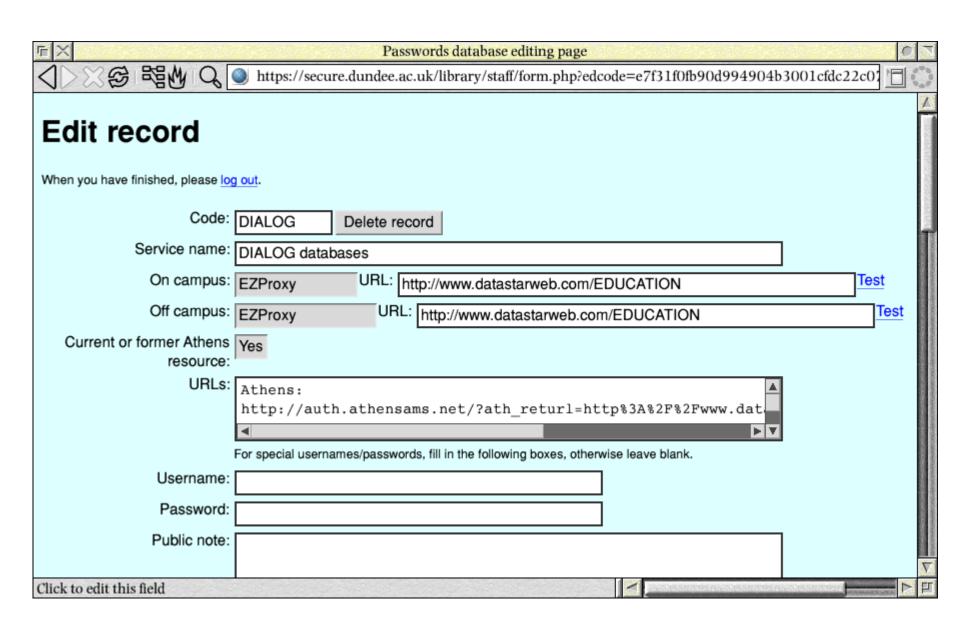
E-mail alerts will probably continue to be delivered to users following 31st July, but users will be unable to log in to their former Athens accounts to modify or cancel these alerts.

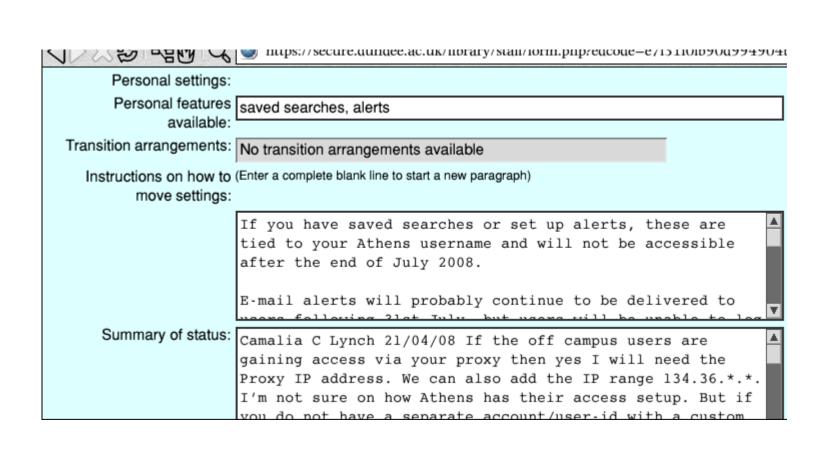
We advise you to log in before 31st July and note down any saved searches or alerts which you wish to retain. It is probably best to cancel the alerts and to recreate them after 31st July via the new UK Federation login method.

Unfortunately Dialog will not be adopting the UK Federation login immediately. The Library will continue to make the Dialog databases available on and off campus via a proxy server, but for a while users will be unable to save searches or create alerts.

Managing the information

- Web-mounted database (in PHP/MySQL)
- Admin side accessible off campus
- Library web pages pull links from database





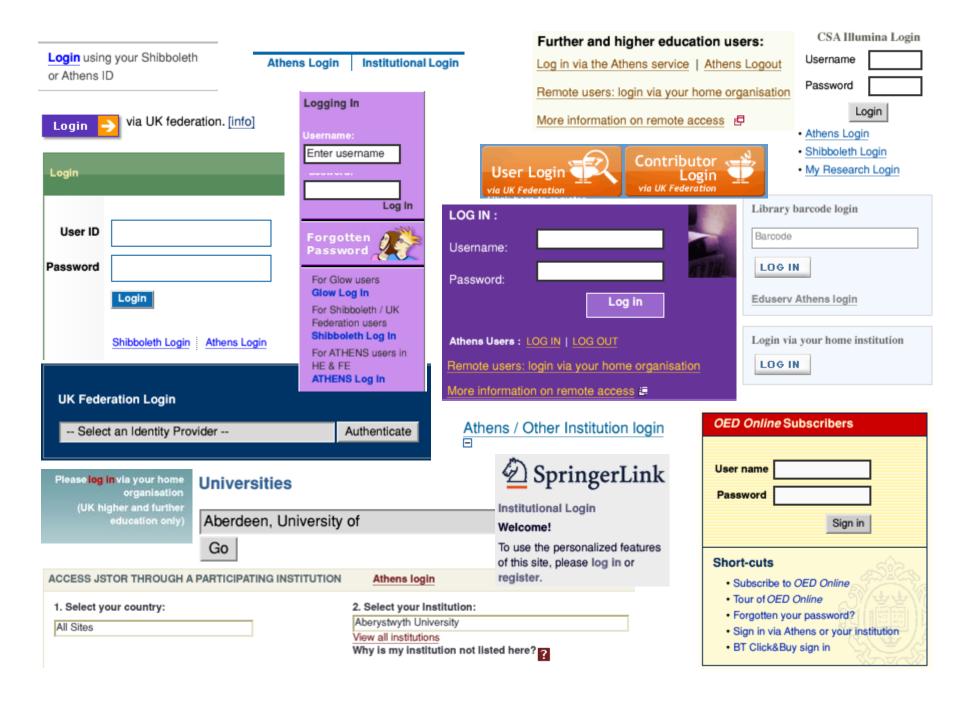


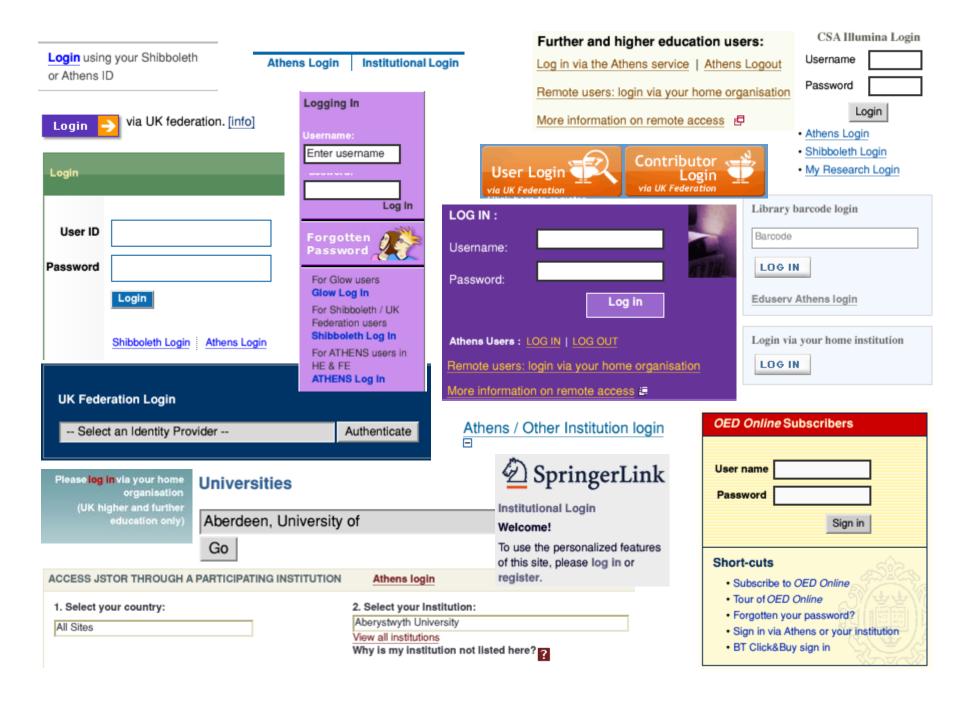
Other updates required

- Catalogue records: get clear information to your systems librarian!
- MetaLib
- SFX
- Links within VLE modules
- Advice to academics
- Induction presentations; training material

User education

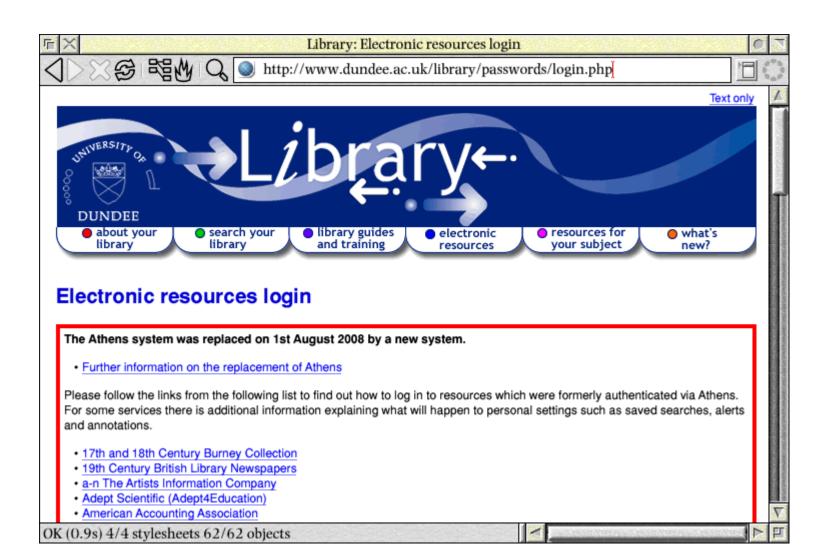
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- or ...





User education

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- Institutional login
- or ...
- "If you get stuck, use the links from the Library web pages"
- Altered AthensDA login screen
- Circular e-mail to staff and students

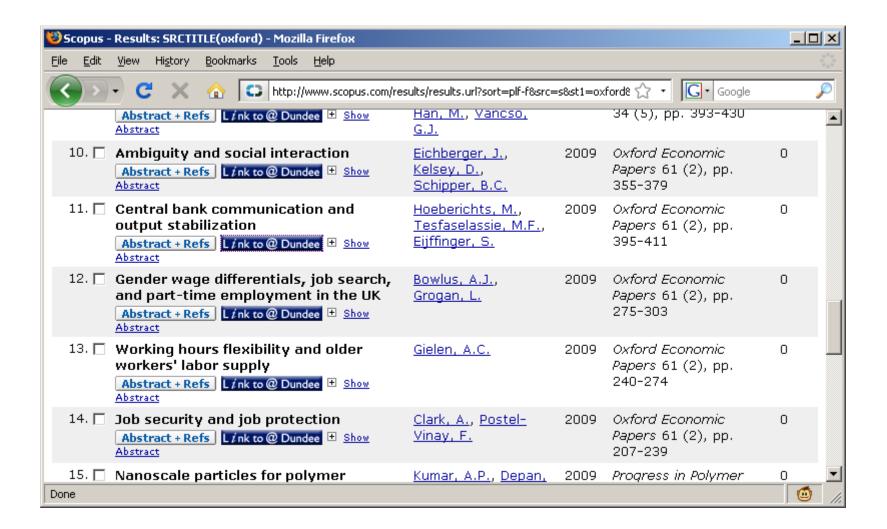


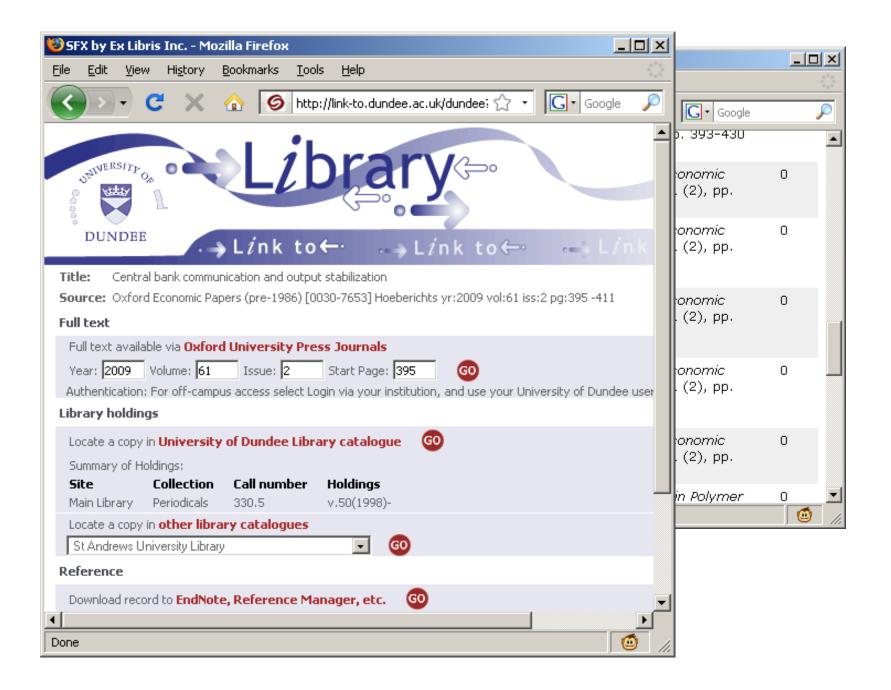
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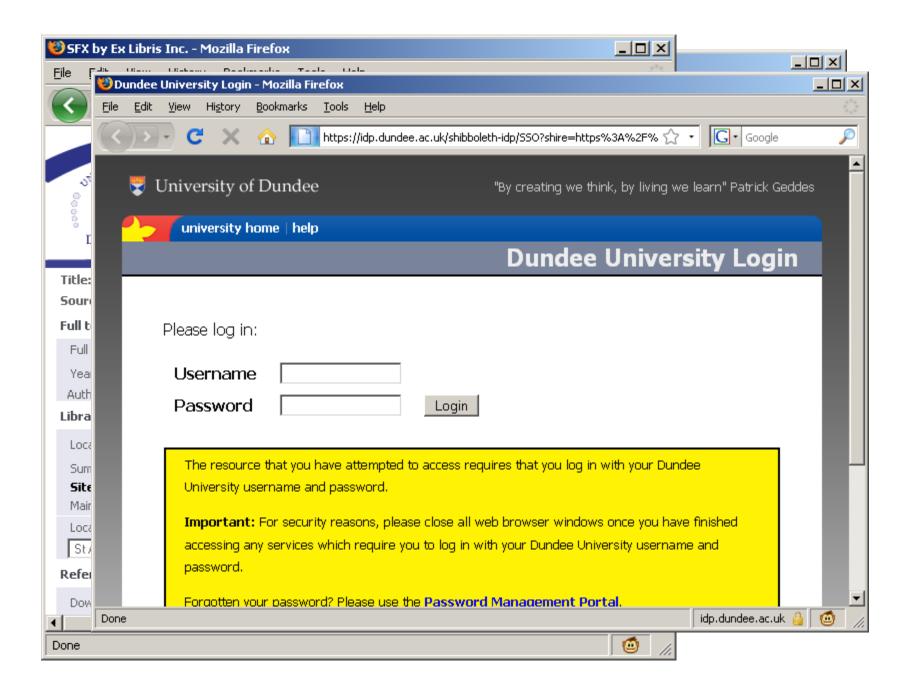
- Putting username/password in wrong box
- Using wrong username
- Where is MyAthens?
- Access to logs harder
- Loss of personalisation

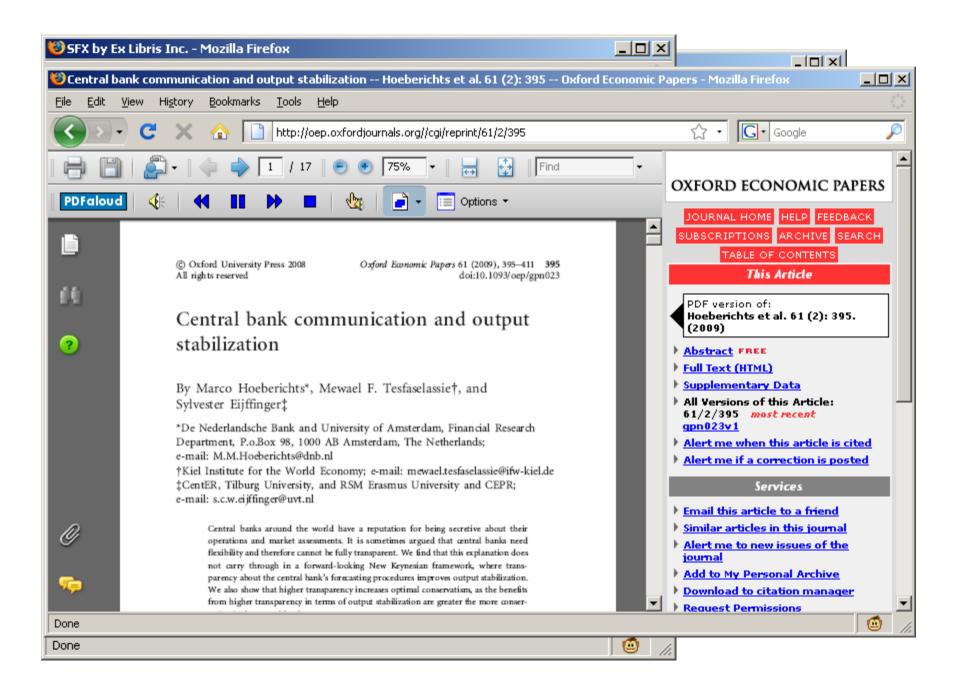
Still to do

- Lobby publishers to support Shibboleth
- Lobby publishers to improve login design
- Shibbolise your own services
- WAYFless URLs









WAYFless URLs

- A link which tells the Service Provider which Identity Provider to use
- Catalogue; MetaLib; SFX; web site; VLE
- What level of linking is supported?
- Support in MetaLib and SFX still lacking

Questions / discussion