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## **The Oman Library at the Middle East Institute goes live on Koha with Equinox**

**Duluth, Ga., June 22, 2020:** Equinox announces the successful migration of the Oman Library at the Middle East Institute in Washington, D.C. to a new, updated Koha instance.

The migration of the Oman Library at the Middle East Institute involved 21,595 bibliographic records and 249 patrons. Equinox services included: Koha support, hosting, implementation, data and auxiliary services, and staff training.

“The Equinox migration team was very helpful and patient, they answered all my questions thoroughly and were very quick to respond,” said Vickie Jacobs, librarian at the Oman Library. “The training sessions were great, and the Equinox team was very good at their job, helpful, and very capable of explaining technology terms in plain English. I’ve never been part of an ILS migration before, but this one went as smoothly and as well as I could have hoped.”

Founded in 1999, Koha is the first free and open source library automation package. Equinox’s team includes long-standing Koha developers.

“It was exciting to work with Vickie during the Oman Library’s migration to their new Koha database,” said Erica Rohlf, Senior Implementation Project Manager at Equinox. “The library was previously using Koha, so it was nice to reintroduce them to the system and the functionality now available. During this unprecedented time, Vickie worked tirelessly through the migration to ensure the library users could access materials.”

To learn more about Koha and the expert services Equinox has to offer please visit <https://www.equinoxinitiative.org/> .

### **About Equinox Open Library Initiative**

Equinox Open Library Initiative Inc. is a nonprofit company engaging in literary, charitable, and educational endeavors serving cultural and knowledge institutions. As the successor to Equinox Software, Inc., the Initiative carries forward a decade

of service and experience with Evergreen and other open source library software. At Equinox OLI we help you empower your library with open source technologies.

### **About Koha**

Created in 1999 by Katipo Communications for the Horowhenua Library Trust in New Zealand, Koha is the first open source Integrated Library System to be used worldwide. The software is a full-featured ILS with a dual-database design (search engine and RDBMS) built to be compliant with library standards. Koha's OPAC, staff, and self-checkout interfaces are all web applications. Distributed under the General Public License (GPL), libraries are free to use and install Koha themselves or to purchase support and development services. For more information on Koha, please visit <http://koha-community.org>.

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