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**Information Management Team Announces
Powerful Metadata and Content Services for Libraries**
*Company Will Partner with Leap Forward Library Consulting to Deliver PraXis by IMT™,
a Transformation Engine for Library Information Assets*

RITZVILLE, WA; October 13, 2015 - Metadata and publishing professionals Information Management Team, Inc. (IMT), Inc.® today announced a partnership with Leap Forward Library Consulting™, a recognized leader in library systems innovation, to deliver metadata and content integration services to libraries and their service providers using the PraXis by IMT™ transformation engine.

Designed and built to eliminate the need for more software and its accompanying licensing, implementation, and maintenance headaches, PraXis enables libraries to bridge the gaps between today's systems and the services patrons demand. The PraXis engine facilitates the art and science of transformation, providing a technical backbone that supports the conversion, manipulation, enrichment, and packaging of information resources across silos and contexts.

Standards-based and easy-to-use, PraXis supports a wide array of resource management business needs, including those of publishers, service providers, and libraries.

“Libraries have a proliferation of software silos operating in their environments — ILSes, digital repositories, ERM systems, discovery platforms, and so on,” said Nannette Naught, principal at IMT. “As the industry looks ahead, libraries need reliable, extensible — and most importantly, plug-and-play — solutions that bridge information from the systems in which it is created or collected to the environments in which it is consumed. We don't need to maintain and integrate more *software*; we need to maintain and integrate *information assets* more effectively, in support of library visibility and viability.”

“I am pleased to join forces with IMT to deliver the power of PraXis to libraries and their partners. Our approach combines more than a decade of IMT's work in library metadata design and transformation with Leap Forward's deep domain expertise, enabling us to provide the solutions libraries need most in a Web-based world. Together, our shared passion is to let librarians be librarians again — to give them the freedom to serve patrons in the best ways possible, to allow them to realize the promise of the library for years to come.”

To begin, IMT and Leap Forward Library Consulting are focused on what we believe to be the library community's most pressing needs:

- Electronic Resource Optimization
- Metadata Aggregation & Enrichment
- Resource Creation & Acquisition

About Information Management Team, Inc.

Founded in 1995, Information Management Team (IMT), Inc.[®], based in Ritzville, Washington, specializes in standards-based, disruptive product development and eResource project recovery. Creators of numerous award-winning electronic products for an array of traditional and niche publishers, IMT is passionate about freeing content and metadata creation and distribution from the bounds of large-scale, proprietary enterprise systems. Advocates for subject matter experts and end users, IMT brings more than 20 years of work in the publishing and library standards space to bear on landscape assessment, workflow transformation, user needs assessment, eProduct production, and more. Learn more about IMT and PraXis at www.imteaminc.com.

About Leap Forward Library Consulting

Founded in 2015, Leap Forward Library Consulting[™], based in Houlton, Maine, offers a variety of strategic consulting and innovation partnership services to libraries. Kathryn Harnish, the organization's principal, is a respected strategist known for building strong teams that envision and implement creative solutions to everyday problems. She brings more than 15 years of work in the library technology space to bear on systems assessment, workflow transformation, vendor relations, shared print management, and more. Learn more at www.leapforwardlibraryconsulting.com.