

## Rialto 2026 Release Notes

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## Features

### New Subject Area and Data Visualization Dashboard for Collection Development Workflows Added to Analytics

#### April 2026 Analytics and Insights

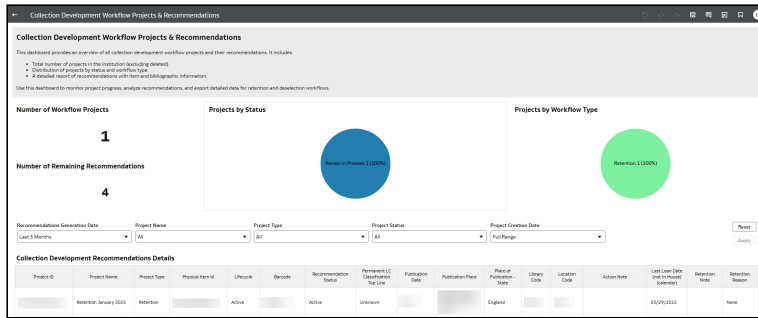
A new subject area, **Rialto Collection Development**, has been added to Alma Analytics. This enhancement introduces support for collection development workflows based on projects and recommendation lists. The subject area includes folders for project details, project measures, recommendation details, bibliographic details, and physical item details. It also incorporates user and date dimensions for comprehensive reporting.

This enhancement empowers institutions to monitor and optimize their collection development efforts with greater precision. Users can track project progress, measure outcomes, and analyze key metrics, including the number of active projects, recommendations acted upon, and overall workflow efficiency. These insights help ensure alignment with institutional priorities and broader strategies, including shared print initiatives.

For more information, see [Rialto Collection Development](#).

Additionally, the new out-of-the-box **Collection Development Workflow Projects & Recommendations** Data Visualization dashboard is now available in [Analytics > Access Analytics > Catalog > Shared Folders > Alma > Rialto Collection Development > Data Visualization](#).

It provides an overview of all collection development workflow projects and their associated recommendations. It includes metrics such as the total number of projects, project distribution by status and workflow type, and a detailed recommendations report with item and bibliographic information. This dashboard helps staff monitor project progress, analyze recommendations, and export data for retention and deselection workflows.



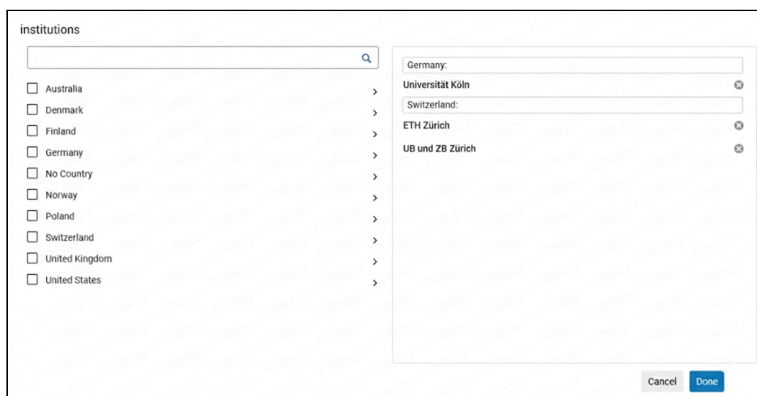
**Collection Development Workflow Projects & Recommendation Dashboard**

## Country-Based Selection in the Compare To Section

### April 2026 Rialto

The **Compare To** section for retention and deselection projects that include comparisons with external institutions has been enhanced to provide a more structured, country-based selection experience.

When creating a new project or editing an existing one, users can now browse comparison institutions using a country tree view. First, select a country to display all available institutions within it. You can then choose specific institutions individually, or select the checkbox next to the country name to automatically include all institutions within that nation.



### New country-based tree view

This enhancement simplifies the process of selecting comparison institutions and makes it easier to locate relevant libraries without having to navigate a long alphabetical list.

## Deeper Insight into External Holdings

### April 2026 Rialto

To support deeper cross-institution analysis, Rialto now offers expanded bibliographic details in the **Compare To** section when inspecting individual recommendations in projects with external comparisons.

While the **Compare To** section itself remains unchanged in the main view, the sliding panel under **View full list and additional information** now displays expanded metadata for matching holdings. Newly added fields include:

- Library
- Publication Place

- Edition
- Material Type
- Language
- OCLC

These additional data points provide deeper insight into external holdings, enabling more informed retention and deselection decisions when comparing your collection to other institutions.

## Customize the Brief Record View Across Rialto

April 2026



### CERV Enhancement (ID RENH-I-73)

Brief record views previously displayed a limited, fixed set of data points, often requiring users to open the full record to view additional details. Brief views across Rialto are now customizable, enabling users to tailor the display to their needs.

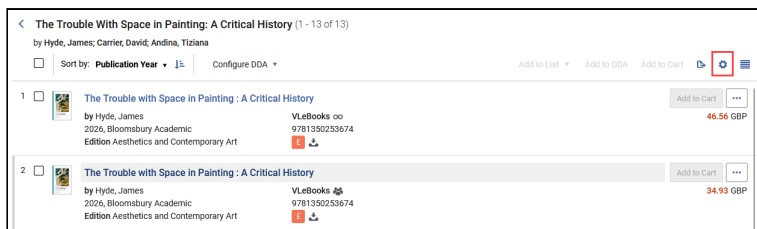
This new capability is available throughout Rialto, although customization options vary by page. Each area of the product contains its own data set and actions, so the fields available for display differ depending on which part of Rialto you are customizing.

To customize the brief record view of the page you are currently viewing:

- Select **Customize** (

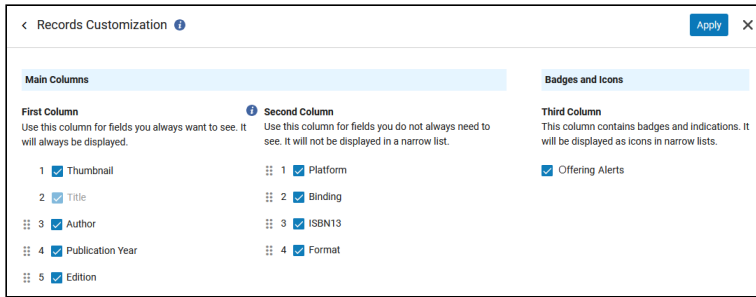


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#### Customize button

- Choose **Records Customization** either under **User Customization** (changes made here apply only to the current user) or **Institution Customization** (changes made here apply to all users in the institution; available to administrators only).
- The customization interface displays three columns that correspond to the layout of the brief record view: two main columns for bibliographic information and the third **Badges and Icons** column. Within this interface, users can:
  - Show or hide data points by selecting or clearing the checkboxes next to available fields (such as **Author**, **Publication Year**, or **Edition**).
  - Control where data appears in the brief view by dragging fields between the first and second columns.
  - Change the display order by reordering fields within a column.



### Records Customization - Offer-level options

- After making changes, select **Apply**. The brief record view updates immediately without requiring a page refresh.

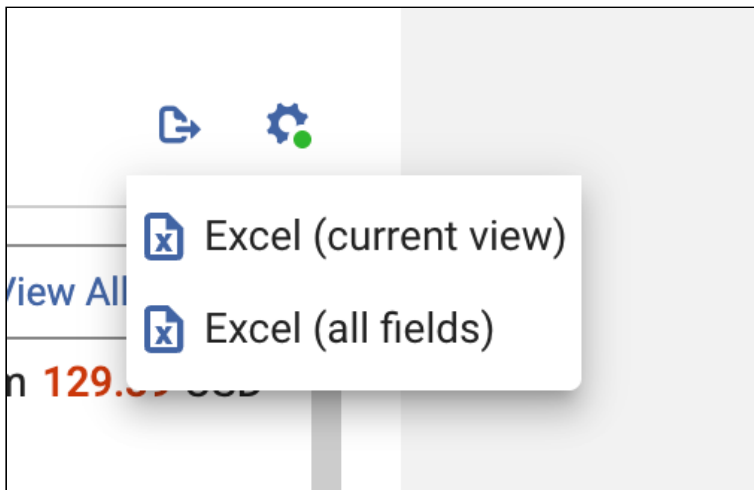
### Note

There are some restrictions on what data points you can customize. **Title** and **Thumbnail** always appear in the first column and cannot be moved to the second column, and **Title** cannot be removed from any brief view. While you can hide them from view, **Badges and icons** always appear in the third column.

When the brief view has been customized, the **Customize** icon displays a green indicator (



Each page now also enables you to export the current view of selected data points or all fields. **Excel (current view)** exports only the data points chosen in **Records Customization**, while **Excel (all fields)** exports all data available for the listed records.



### Export options

This enhancement provides greater flexibility in how records are displayed across Rialto. By surfacing the most relevant information directly in the brief view, users can review titles without having to open additional menus.

## Enhanced Sorting for Collection Development Recommendations

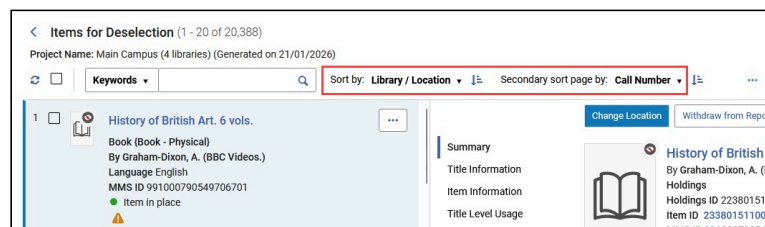
### March 2026 Rialto

Rialto now provides more flexible sorting options when viewing recommendations in retention and deselection projects. In

addition to sorting by **Title** and **Publication Date**, you can now also arrange recommendations by:

- **Library / Location**
- **Call Number**

You can also apply a secondary sort to further refine the results' order. The secondary sort uses the same set of fields—**Title**, **Publication Date**, **Library / Location**, and **Call Number**—and enables additional ordering when multiple recommendations share the same primary sort value.



### Primary and secondary Sort by fields

These enhancements make it easier to review, compare, and organize recommendations, especially when working with large result sets that include many items from the same library or publication period.

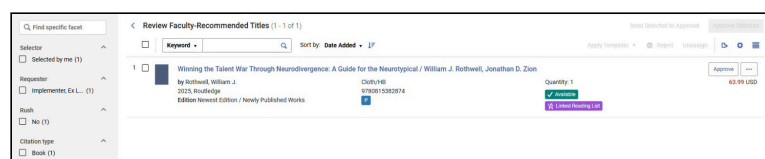
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## New Edition Requests from Leganto in Faculty-Recommended Titles

### March 2026 Rialto

Rialto now supports an integrated workflow for reviewing and acting on requests for newer editions of books submitted from Leganto lists. When an institution uses Leganto with Rialto and has the `rialto_new_edition` parameter ([Configuration > Leganto > Features > Leganto Features](#)) set to `true`, requests for newer editions flow directly into Rialto for review and approval.

Requests submitted by instructors appear in [Collection Development > Orders > Faculty-Recommended Titles](#). Each request has standard Rialto badges to support informed decision-making, and you can use facets to organize requests.



### Faculty-Recommended Titles

From the **Faculty-Recommended Titles** page, users can either approve or reject purchase requests for new book editions. Approved requests proceed automatically through the purchasing workflow, ensuring the timely acquisition of newer editions.

This enhancement further strengthens the integration between Leganto and Rialto, giving libraries a centralized way to evaluate and manage requests for newer editions of course-related books. For a detailed look at how this process looks from a Leganto instructor's side, see [Requesting New Editions for List Items](#).

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## Perpetual Access Type Added for All Rialto Purchases

### March 2026 Rialto

Rialto now automatically sets the portfolio access type to **Perpetual** for all titles purchased through Rialto. This ensures that purchased titles are clearly identified as owned outright, without relying on the collection used for activation.

Additionally, the **Access Type** is now displayed in the holdings panel, between the collection description and the active status, making ownership information easier to see at a glance.

The screenshot shows a mobile application interface for 'HOLDINGS'. At the top, there is an orange header with a home icon, the word 'HOLDINGS', a circled number '9', and a share icon. Below the header, there is a section titled 'In your institution' with a home icon and an upward arrow. The main content area displays the title 'The Travelling Cat Chronicles.' by Arikawa, Hiro, published in 2018 by Penguin Publishing Group, with ISBN 0-451-49133-5. Below the title, there is a red square with a white 'E' followed by the text 'Electronic Material'. Underneath, it lists 'Ebook Central, Access Ebook Central Perpetual Subscription & DDA Titles (Ebook Central Perpetual, DDA and Subscription Titles), Full Text'. A red box highlights the text 'Access Type: Perpetual'. At the bottom, there is a grey circle followed by the text 'Inactive (1U)'.

#### Access type in the holdings panel

This update improves transparency around ownership, helps distinguish perpetual purchases from subscription or DDA content, and protects purchased items from Community Zone (CZ) deletions.

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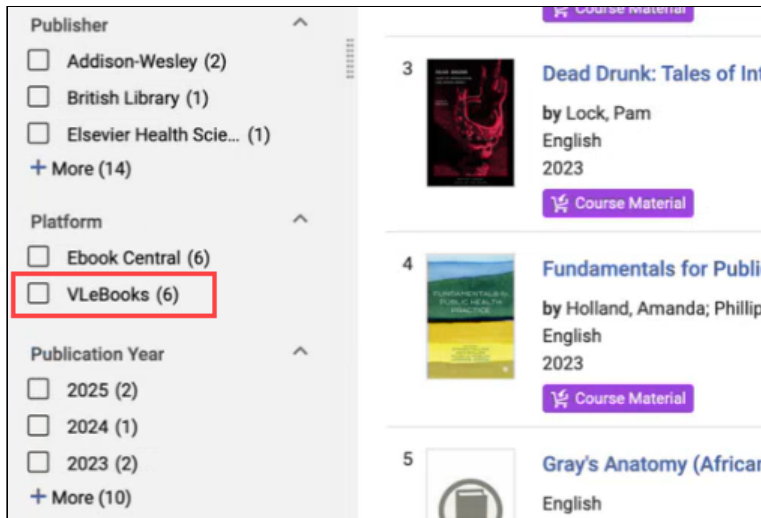
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January 2026 Rialto



## Idea Exchange

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This integration gives libraries a larger, more flexible selection of eBook content while preserving a single, unified workflow across ordering and acquisition.

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## New Collection Development Manager Role

### February 2026 Rialto

Rialto now has a dedicated **Collection Development Manager** role. This role centralizes collection development workflows, replacing the previous model in which multiple roles could use these workflows.

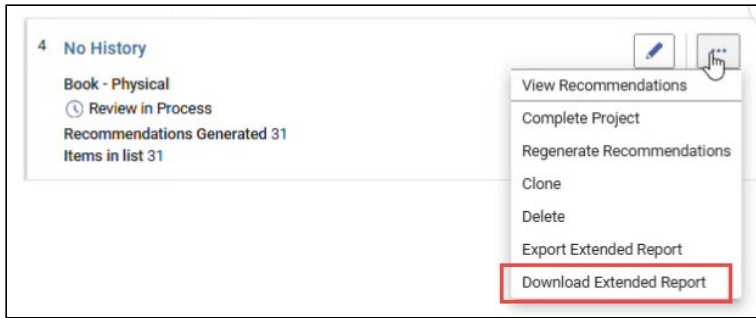
Users assigned the **Collection Development Manager** role are now the only ones who can:

- Access the **Workflows** menu under **Collection Development**
- Create, edit, and delete collection development projects
- Generate and manage recommendations for retention and deselection projects

**Repository Administrator** and **Rialto Administrator** roles continue to have access to collection development configuration settings, but they no longer have direct access to the workflows themselves. **Collection Development Managers** do not have access to configuration settings.

This change clarifies responsibilities and reduces confusion about which users can view, configure, and run collection development workflows.





### Download Extended Report option

This feature delivers a rich, consolidated view of project recommendations, bringing all relevant data together to support confident retention and deselection decisions. For details, see [Creating and Downloading an Extended Report](#).

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## Alphabetical Ordering of Comparison Institutions in Compare To Sections

### February 2026 Rialto

When creating or editing a retention or deselection project, comparison institutions available in the **Compare To** section of the Criteria form are now displayed in alphabetical order. This change makes it easier to locate and select institutions when defining project criteria.

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## Improved Matching to CZ Records for Four eBook Platforms

### February 2026 Rialto

Rialto has improved how activated eBook titles are matched to records in the community zone (CZ) for the following platforms:

- Wiley
- Karger
- Casalini/Torrossa
- VLeBooks

Matching now leverages platform-specific unique vendor identifiers, improving the accuracy and reliability of record-to-collection alignment during activation. This reduces mismatches and ensures that activated titles are correctly linked to the appropriate CZ records.

To support optimal matching, Rialto recommends using the following CZ collections, which provide the most complete and consistent coverage for each platform:

- **Wiley:** Wiley Online Library - AutoHoldings Books (CZ Collection ID = 61541000000002415)
- **Karger:** Karger eBooks Collection (CZ Collection ID = 61381000000000333)
- **Casalini/Torrossa:** Casalini Torrossa eBooks Institutional Catalogue (CZ Collection ID = 61100000000001478)
- **VLeBooks:** VLeBooks (CZ Collection ID = 61323000000000191)

Libraries are not required to use these collections, but adopting the recommended collections streamlines activation and ensures the most reliable matching. To switch to a recommended collection, contact Ex Libris Support.

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## New Titles Query Builder Values

### February 2026 Rialto

Rialto now highlights Query Builder values exclusively created and maintained by the New Titles team. These fields remain available and can still be used in queries, but within the coming months, they will apply only to existing content and will not return new titles added to Rialto.

An asterisk (\*) now appears next to the following fields in the Query Builder to indicate that they will eventually be removed from Rialto search:

- **Author Affiliation**
- **Book Type**
- **Edition Type**
- **Genre**
- **Regional Focus**
- **Interdisciplinary Studies**
- **Readership Level**
- **Series Title**
- **Series Type**
- **Treated Titles**
- **Treated X Weeks Ago**

These indicators make it clear which fields return only New Titles-treated content and ensure users build queries with clear expectations about what content will be returned.

This update reflects ongoing changes to how new title data is sourced and maintained in Rialto as part of the platform's [broader evolution](#).

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## Creation of Purchase Requests Directly from the Offer Level

### February 2026 Rialto

Rialto now enables users to create purchase requests directly from the offer level with the **Create Purchase Request** action. Selecting this option opens a sliding panel with Alma's **Purchase Request** form.



#### Create Purchase Request action at the offer level

After they select **Create Purchase Request**, users fill out the standard **General Information** and **Request Attributes** forms. Some fields are prefilled automatically, and any institutional settings for purchase requests are applied. For details on how these requests work, see [Working with Purchase Requests](#).

The offer-level **Create Purchase Request** action is available to all users, provided they have the required Alma permissions to create purchase requests.

This enhancement streamlines the purchase request workflow by enabling users to initiate requests directly from offers, reducing steps and improving efficiency.

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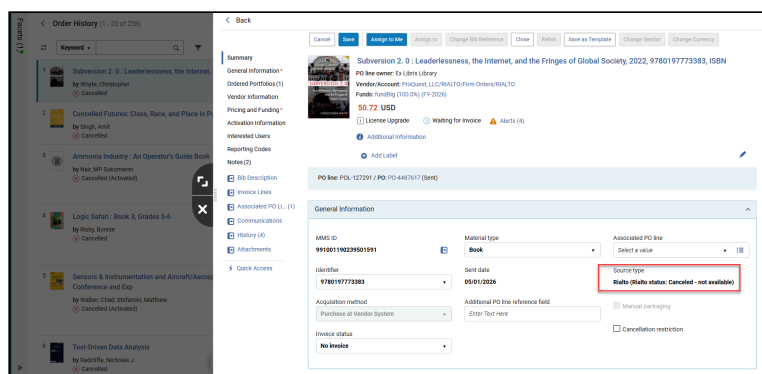
## Display of Rialto Status in the New PO Line UI

### February 2026 Rialto



#### Idea Exchange

When a PO line is created as part of the Rialto workflow, the **Rialto Status** is now displayed in the PO line **General Information** section.



#### Rialto Status in General Information

This enhancement makes it easier for staff to identify the lifecycle state of Rialto orders directly from the PO line. This update was performed by the Alma Acquisition team -- for details, see [Rialto Status in PO Line General Information in Alma's February 2026 release notes](#).

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## Optional Deletion of Linked Portfolios When Cancelling PO Lines

### February 2026 Rialto

Previously, cancelling a PO line deleted the portfolio only if it was a standalone, inactive local portfolio. A new customer parameter, **delete\_linked\_portfolio\_upon\_po\_cancellation** (**Configuration > Acquisitions > Other Settings**), extends this behavior. When set to `true` (default: `false`), inactive portfolios linked to the CZ or included in an electronic collection are also deleted.

For details, see [PO Line Cancellation: Enable Deletion of Related Inventory Even if Linked to CZ in Alma's February 2026 release notes](#).

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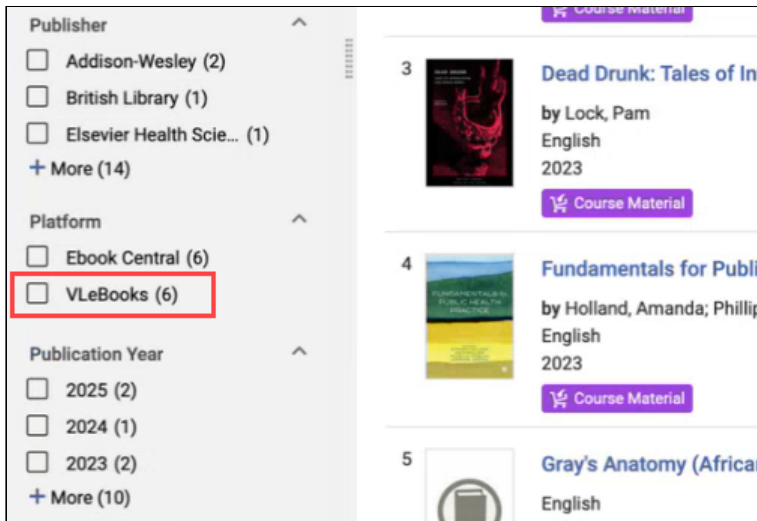
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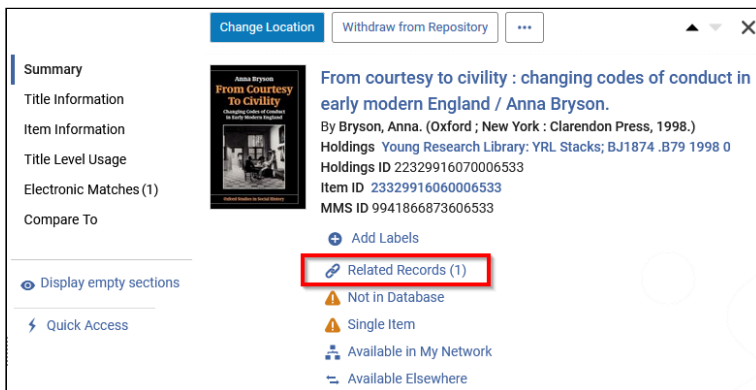
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## Related Records from Recommendation Summaries

### January 2026 Rialto

Rialto now displays a **Related Records** link in the **Summary** section when viewing a retention or deselection recommendation that has associated bibliographic records. The link indicates the number of related records in parentheses.



### Related Records link

Selecting **Related Records** opens a sliding panel with a list of all bibliographic records associated with the recommendation's MMS ID.

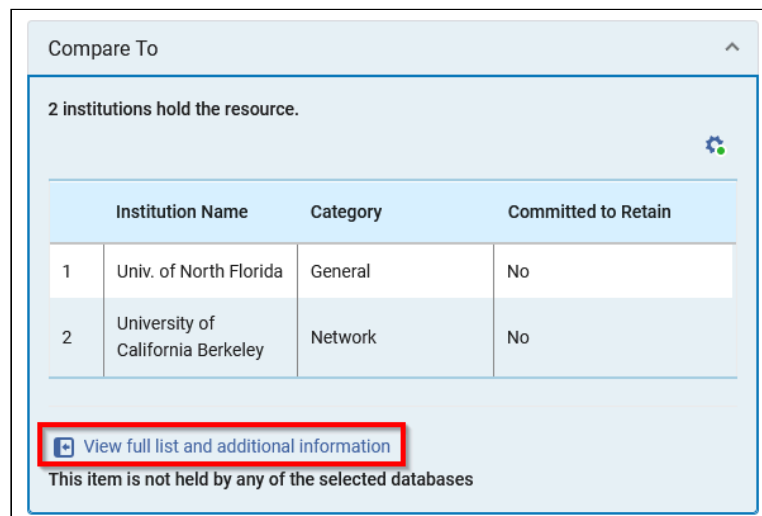
This enhancement makes it easy to find connected records when examining recommendations and helps users understand the broader bibliographic landscape of a title.

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## Expanded Details in Item-Level Compare To Sections

### January 2026 Rialto

Item-level **Compare To** sections for both retention and deselection recommendations now include detailed data for other institutions' resources. Users can view this data by selecting the **View full list and additional information** link in the **Compare To** sections.



The screenshot shows a 'Compare To' panel with a table of institutions. The table has three columns: 'Institution Name', 'Category', and 'Committed to Retain'. Below the table is a link 'View full list and additional information' which is highlighted with a red box. Below the link is the text 'This item is not held by any of the selected databases'.

	Institution Name	Category	Committed to Retain
1	Univ. of North Florida	General	No
2	University of California Berkeley	Network	No

[View full list and additional information](#)

This item is not held by any of the selected databases

#### View full list and additional information link

Selecting **View full list and additional information** opens a detailed sliding panel that displays various data related to all matching holdings in comparison institutions, such as:

- MMS IDs
- Titles
- Authors
- Publication date
- Publisher name
- ISBNs
- Other system numbers

Institutions for Reference

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### Sliding panel with detailed holding information

The panel presents **one row per matching MMS ID per institution**. For example, if a single institution holds two matching MMS IDs, the panel lists two rows—one for each match. Additionally, if multiple identifiers exist, the sliding panel displays all of them in the same field.

Some data points are hidden by default; use the panel's configuration button to add additional columns to the sliding panel.

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Configuration Panel:

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- Title
- Author
- Publisher Name
- Publication Date
- ISBN
- ISSN
- Other System Number
- LOCN
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### Add additional columns to the panel

This update increases transparency across comparison institutions and supports more confident decision-making when assessing items for retention and deselection.

## Rialto Collaboration with Browns Books (In Testing)

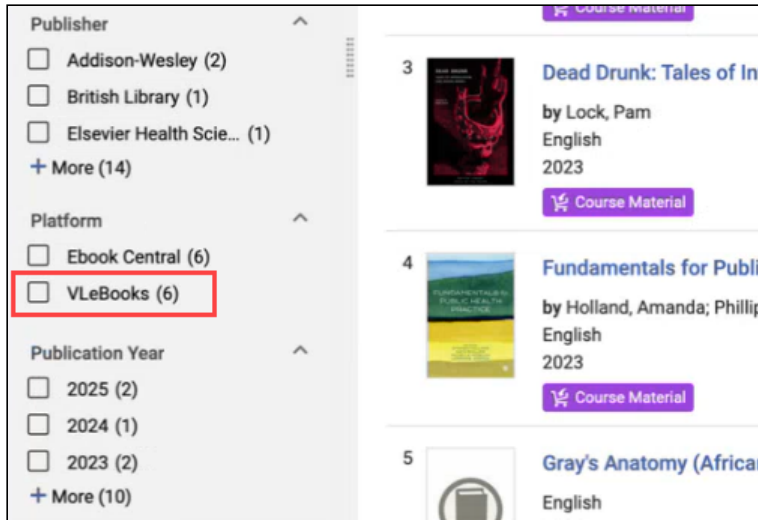
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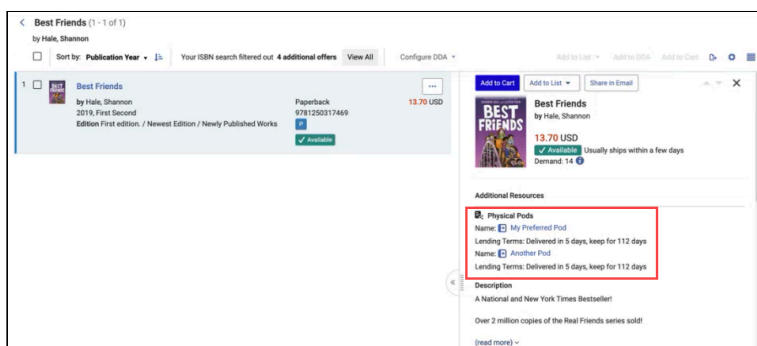
Please note, this feature is not available in the sandbox.

## Rapido Resource Sharing Information in the Rialto Marketplace

### January 2026 Rialto

Rialto now displays Rapido resource sharing information directly within the marketplace to better support informed fulfillment decisions.

When users search in Rialto and open an offer's details, Rialto performs a real-time check with Rapido to determine whether the version of the title is available for resource sharing. If a match is found, the offer pane lists the names of libraries offering the loan and their lending terms (expected delivery time and the length of the loan).



### Rapido information in the offer pane

Selecting the link opens a detailed form that enables selectors to initiate a borrowing request without leaving Rialto.

### Borrowing request form

This enhancement helps staff select the most efficient fulfillment path by presenting borrowing options alongside purchase offers. For full details, see [Rapido Integration](#).

## Leganto Integration Enhancements Out of Early Adoption

### January 2026 Rialto

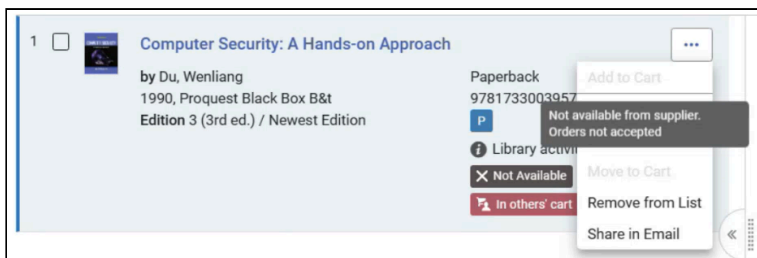
The Leganto integration enhancements presented in the [December 2025 release notes](#) are now available for all users. Rialto now displays course-related badges, supports citation linking through the **Link and Add to Cart** action, and provides additional filters and facets that help libraries identify items connected to active and future courses.

These capabilities strengthen course-driven selection workflows and increase visibility into Leganto course materials within the Rialto marketplace. For full details, see [Leganto Integration](#).

## Improved Availability Display for Drop Shipping Print Stock

### January 2026 Rialto

As outlined in the [December 2025 release notes](#), the updated availability messaging for drop-shipped print stock for North American institutions is now active. Offers that cannot be ordered now display a brown **Not Available** badge and have a disabled **Add to Cart** button. This update provides clearer guidance during selection and prevents order attempts for unavailable stock.



### New badge and tooltip

## Correct Author Names for Purchase Requests Originating in Primo

### January 2026 Rialto



## CERV Enhancement

When a purchase request was created in Primo, the creator field sometimes included the word “author” in addition to the writer’s name. This extra text was passed into the marketplace search, which prevented Rialto from finding the correct title.

Rialto now automatically removes the extra word. Author names display correctly, and marketplace searches return accurate results, ensuring staff can locate the correct titles without any interference from the incorrect metadata.

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## New Rialto Pricing Settings Page

### January 2026 Rialto

A new **Rialto Pricing Settings** page is now available under **Configuration > Collection Development > General**. This page displays the institution’s assigned currency, country, and region. It is visible only to administrators, and all fields are view-only.

**Rialto Pricing Settings**

**Currency**  
USD

**Country**  
UK

**Region**  
UK

### Rialto Pricing Settings page


This page will undergo significant expansion and play a key role in the upcoming rollout that will make marketplace search and limited Rialto functionality available to all Alma institutions.

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## Informative Error Message for Invalid Bibliographic Template


### January 2026 Rialto


Rialto now displays a clear, informative error message on the **Order History** page when an order cannot be completed because the bibliographic record cannot be created with the selected template. This improvement helps staff quickly identify the issue and take corrective action.

 **LDR missing in institution record template**

You are trying create mms record using template with missing mandatory field. contact your admin or change the template if you have the privilege

Market

3 weeks 



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#### New error message for invalid bibliographic template

#### Note

A default book template must be defined in Rialto; if no default book template is set, orders will fail. For more information on templates, see [Working with Record Templates](#).

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## Resolved Issues

- **March 2026 Rialto**  
In the **User Notifications (New Gen)** letter, the SAML parameter was missing from the link in the XML, even though the **rialto\_faculty\_auth\_method** parameter was configured to SAML. This was fixed so that the link now correctly includes the SAML parameter. This fix was committed to the February release.
- **January 2026 Rialto**  
Orders created from purchase requests did not always appear in **Order History** when multiple staff members were working on the same request. In these cases, the related purchase request could also remain in **In Review** even after the order was successfully submitted and the portfolio activated. This was fixed so that Rialto orders now display correctly in **Order History** and the purchase request status updates as expected.