artlibraries.net seen against the background of the 'Art Discovery Group Catalogue‘

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artlibraries.net has currently 44 + 1 targets:
41 individual libraries / networks
3 general databases
+ „Art libraries in WorldCat“
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23 individual libraries / networks are participating also in 'Art DiscoveryGroup Catalogue‘ = ca. 55 %
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At least 3 more individual libraries, probably more are participating in WorldCat, but have not yet registered for the ‘Art Discovery Group Catalogue‘:

Kunstmuseum Basel
Centre canadien d’architecture, Montréal
Universitäts der Bauhaus-Universität Weimar
...
Essentially the following targets seem to remain outside the WorldCat world:

- Kunst- und Ausstellungshalle Bonn
- Finnish National Gallery, Helsinki
- Danmarks Kunstbibliotek, Copenhagen
- Documenta Archive, Kassel
- Kunsthochschule für Medien, Cologne
- Kunst- und Museumsbibliothek Cologne
- Nasjonalmuseet, Oslo
- Catalogue collectif des bibliothèques des musées nationaux (France)
- Vitterhetsakademiens bibliotek, Stockholm
- Belvedere, Vienna
- MAK, Vienna
On the other hand, 'Art Discovery Group Catalogue‘ has already a plethora of outstanding art libraries not participating in artlibraries.net, for example:

- Art Institute, Chicago
- Avery Architectural and Fine Arts Library
- Cleveland Museum of Art
- Harvard University Fine Arts Library
- Marquand Library, Princeton University
- RKD, The Hague
- etc. etc.
The experimental 'Art libraries in WorldCat‘ target is not updated anymore, thus being misleading with reference to 'Art Discovery Group Catalogue‘.

If it is not abolished in short-term, it will certainly not survive the ADGC project phase.
Taking into account all kinds of current WorldCat participation within artlibraries.net, 31 of 45 artlibraries.net targets are already covered by 'Art Discovery Group Catalogue' = ca. 70 %
Taking into account the size of the holdings and the additional databases, 'Art Discovery Group Catalogue' is already at this stage much 'bigger' than artlibraries.net.
The future of artlibraries.net:

artlibraries.net is not growing anymore. The last new target was added in 2013.

Dysfunctional targets are perturbating the results.

Information on the targets is not updated.
Hinweis

Wartungsarbeiten
Wegen dringender Wartungsarbeiten steht das ausgewählte Angebot im Moment leider nicht zur Verfügung. Bitte versuchen Sie es später noch einmal.

Vielen Dank für Ihr Verständnis!

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User statistics remain static or are even decreasing, although the figures are higher than 2 years ago.
Visitors Overview

May 1, 2012 - Sep 12, 2012

12,934 people visited this site

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- Unique Visitors: 12,934
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- Avg. Visit Duration: 00:02:54
- Bounce Rate: 67.94%
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- 60.49% Returning Visitor
  17,867 Visits
- 39.51% New Visitor
  11,633 Visits
Some participants will possibly cancel their artlibraries.net targets at the end of 2014, in order to avoid double costs for similar projects.
Conclusions:

• artlibraries.net seems to have reached a final development phase.

• On the other hand, the ’Art Discovery Group Catalogue‘ project has impressive momentum, but is still work under construction. Its really efficiency and its real role for the community have still to be proved.
• At the end of the 'Art Discovery Group Catalogue' project phase in 2015, few artlibraries.net targets will not participate in the new project,

• but many additional international institutions will present their holdings on the 'Art Discovery Group Catalogue' level,

• with in the background: an unknown, but certainly tremendous amount of other pertinent institutions on the general WorldCat level.
• The planned additional information webpages for 'Art Discovery Group Catalogue' may finally provide links to libraries which are lacking, but currently present in artlibraries.net.

• Under such circumstances, it could seem advisable to consider terminating the artlibraries.net project in the middle term, if the 'Art Discovery Group Catalogue' has reached a consolidated state (not before 2015).