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Mobydoc joins MDA Partners Scheme

MDA is pleased to announce that French software company Mobydoc – supplier of the Micromusée collections management system - has become the latest member of the MDA Partners Scheme.

The Scheme assists museum practitioners in achieving best practice by validating the products of member companies for compliance with SPECTRUM, the industry standard for collections management, and a requirement of MLA's Museum Accreditation Scheme. Only those products which meet the compliance requirements are eligible to be branded as 'SPECTRUM Compliant.'

Mobydoc products are in use in over 300 museums, galleries and archives across Europe, Canada and North Africa, including the Musée des Arts Décoratifs (Paris), the National Museum of Wales and the Sedgwick Museum of Earth Science (Cambridge). Their products are developed in consultation with documentation specialists, archivists and conservators, and are designed to allow users to configure systems to the particular needs of their own institutions.

Gordon McKenna, MDA Standards and Systems Manager, commented, "I am pleased to welcome Mobydoc as the latest member of the MDA Partners Scheme. Mobydoc has a long-standing commitment to working with MDA, being one of the first of the old 'Corporate Members' of MDA, and providing generous sponsorship for many MDA events. We look forward to working with them, especially in realising the potential of SPECTRUM in the francophone world."

Eric de Cacqueray, Mobydoc CEO commented, "We are pleased to confirm our long-lasting partnership with MDA through our new membership of the Partners Scheme. As a precursor in this market, Mobydoc has participated in the definition of standards with its customer's base and is supporting Spectrum initiative to define such standards."

As the ninth member of the scheme, Mobydoc joins an increasing number of companies working to validate their products for compliance with SPECTRUM. The other members of the Scheme are Adlib Information Systems, DS Limited, Gallery Systems, KE Software, MODES Users Association, System Simulation, Willoughby Associates and zetcom Ltd.

For further information about the Partners Scheme, please visit www.mda.org.uk/memp.htm or contact Gordon McKenna, MDA Standards and Systems Manager, on 01223 415760.

Notes for Editors

MDA is the UK's lead organisation in documentation and the management of collections information. Our vision is of a sector in which collections are managed effectively, efficiently, and in accordance with national standards to create inspiring, engaging and sustainable services. www.mda.org.uk

The MDA Partners Scheme is open to service providers and suppliers who produce systems based on the SPECTRUM standard. For further information about the Scheme, visit www.mda.org.uk/memp.htm or contact Gordon McKenna at gordon@mda.org.uk or by telephone on 01223 415760.

For further information about Mobydoc and their products, please visit www.mobydoc.fr

For further information about the work of MDA, or to interview Nick Poole, MDA Chief Executive, contact eleanor@mda.org.uk or telephone 01223 415760.

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