



Repository Connector Library Data Sheet

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Organizations understand the value of content, and the dependency of knowledge workers to have ready access. As the enterprise content management (ECM) landscape continues to change, companies are examining the role of enterprise content integration. SeeUnity provides a rich set of integration tools, allowing companies to find, access, and manage content across multiple repositories, from a common SharePoint interface. This solution not only provides users with a single UI, but it blends the best features of ECM repositories, with the collaboration tools of SharePoint.

SeeUnity's ability to provide consistent, standardized functionality across many disparate ECM platforms is largely due to its Repository Connector Library. Leveraging the native APIs of ECM platforms, SeeUnity repository connectors provide a level of integration unique in the marketplace.

Differentiating integration with native APIs

In many traditional point integrations, native content is accessed through its repository's database. While this provides a connection between the content and a separate interface, it lacks several important layers of integration. Metadata cannot be accessed, resulting in less effective searching and less relevant results. In addition, ECM policies, such as security, permissions and workflow are often overlooked.

Unlike these traditional, database driven integrations, SeeUnity repository connectors use their respective platform's native API. This allows access and the bi-directional transfer of metadata. The result is that content can be searched using native metadata and native search UIs. Security models can be preserved to protect off-limits documents, and authenticated users have access to native ECM controls, such as versioning, retention, and workflow. Native API integration goes beyond accessibility, to enable native management of content through SharePoint.

Benefits of native API repository connectors

Using native APIs allow SharePoint to expose and manage metadata, which provide several benefits:

- **Stronger content security** – user single sign-on authentication is referenced against native permissions. Users can only see, access and edit content according to their user and group rights in the native ECM repository.
- **More powerful searching** – using SeeUnity repository connectives, web parts can expose all of the search form features of a native search interface. The ability to query advanced metadata fields results in more complete federated search results.
- **Native navigation** – SharePoint users can browse a hierarchical tree view of content, including virtual and smart folders. Folder views of content exposes important field data details for each document.
- **Integrated content management** – while repository connectors can reveal metadata and policies, it also enables users to update that metadata and change policies, directly from SharePoint.
- **Process automation** – repository connectors make SharePoint “metadata aware”. This enables web parts and modules to intelligently automate processes, increasing efficiency and eliminating human error. Native ECM field values can conditionally trigger SharePoint business automation.
- **Metadata access and management** – by providing read and write access to content and metadata, users can correct erroneous field values, add additional values, and update policies associated with content.
- **Faster implementations** – repository connectors take generic information submitted by a module (e.g. synchronization) and parse it according to each native repository. Administrators can quickly configure cross-repository modules.

Take the Next Step

Enterprise Content Integration must do more than simply provide a search and view access of an external repository; true integration exposes native content, metadata, and controls to manage content. True integration blurs the line between SharePoint interface, and native ECM repositories – giving users the best of both worlds. SeeUnity’s Repository Connector Library allows SharePoint to access native metadata. The result is better search and management tools to empower users, preserved security to reduce risk, and automated processes to save time and eliminate error.

SeeUnity is a leading developer of Enterprise Content Integration solutions that enable users to search, access, and manage all enterprise content from a common interface. Our products bridge content platforms, and remove the barriers between content silos. SeeUnity brings content together. For more information about how SeeUnity can solve your integration requirements, email us at sales@seeunity.com or call us directly at 970.744.5011.



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