INDUSTRY UPDATE

Release 5 of the COUNTER Code of Practice
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Librarian feedback:

- Prioritising greater publisher compliance with COUNTER
- Removal of ambiguities

Publisher feedback:

- Greater SUSHI compliance
- Removal of ambiguities

The R5 object oriented approach, simplification of reporting being will improve compliance, reduce the burden of compliance and make the automated harvesting and manual reporting interfaces much more harmonious.
ISSUES TO BE ADDRESSED

- Consistency
- Clarity
- Simplification
- Continuous Maintenance
Release 5 will find the balance between addressing changing needs and reducing the complexity of the Code of Practice to ensure that all publishers and content providers are able to achieve compliance.
TIME LINE FOR COMPLIANCE

- 18 months from publication of Release 5 for COUNTER compliance
- Arrangements to be finalised for early adopters
- Dated COUNTER logo for R5 Compliant publishers