

ExLibris Aleph and the OpenAthens redirector

This guide will help you configure Aleph to use the OpenAthens Redirector.

Whilst our service desk will always try to be helpful, they can only support the OpenAthens end. Information was correct at the time of writing.

Prerequisites

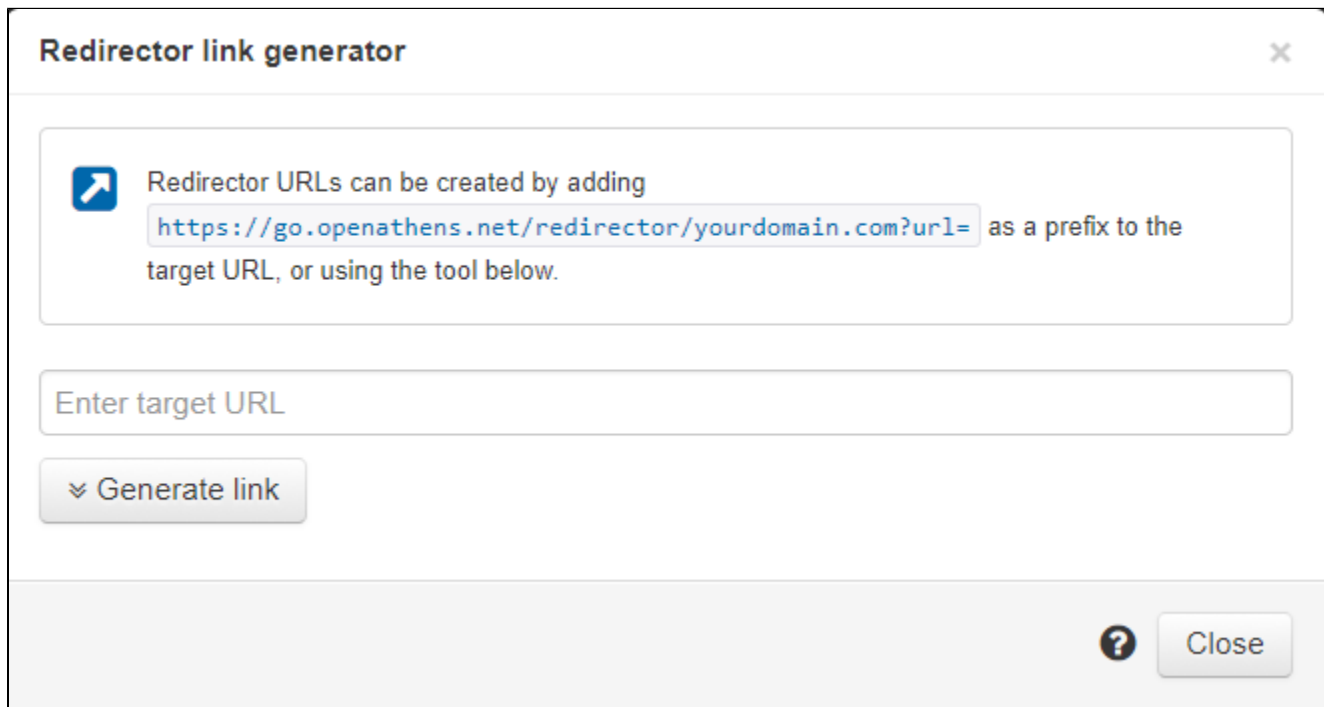
- Access to your Aleph admin pages
- Access to the OpenAthens administration area at the domain level

Method

- [Look up your redirector prefix](#)
- [Add your Redirector prefix to the links](#)

Look up your redirector prefix

Access the administration area as the domain administrator and navigate to the redirect link generator (Resources > Redirector link generator).



The screenshot shows a web interface titled "Redirector link generator" with a close button (X) in the top right corner. Below the title is a text box containing an information icon (blue square with a white arrow) and the text: "Redirector URLs can be created by adding `https://go.openathens.net/redirector/yourdomain.com?url=` as a prefix to the target URL, or using the tool below." Below this text box is a large input field with the placeholder text "Enter target URL". Underneath the input field is a button labeled "Generate link" with a downward-pointing chevron icon. At the bottom right of the interface, there is a help icon (question mark in a circle) and a "Close" button.

The part you are interested in is the bit like this: <https://go.openathens.net/redirector/yourdomain.com?url=>

Add your Redirector prefix to the links

Even though the redirector is not a proxy, we can use the redirector prefix in a similar way as a proxy prefix for compatible resources:

Option 1 - via your link resolver

If you use a link resolver to power Aleph linking then enabling the redirector there will be the far more efficient method.

See: [the link resolvers section](#)

Option 2 - hard coded links

Unfortunately there is no simple prefix field in Aleph so your options are to manually update them one at a time, or use their bulk function as covered by them at: https://knowledge.exlibrisgroup.com/Aleph/Knowledge_Articles/Global_change_of_EZ_Proxy_URLs_in_856_tags

