USER’S GUIDE FOR THE ECONOMICS ELECTRONIC LIBRARY
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1. Introduction

This manual is made to help you better orientate in all the resources available to you on the portal of the Economics Electronic Library of the Solvay Brussels School of Economics and Management - Université libre de Bruxelles (ULB).

Although this note concerns the French version of the website, some pages of the portal can also be viewed in English.

The Economics Electronic Library is at the following address: http://www.bibeco.ulb.ac.be/.

The website of the Economics Electronic Library is always listed among the top results in a google research, whatever the keywords that you use: « economics and management library », « economics electronic library » or « bibeco ». 
2. Overview

http://www.bibeco.ulb.ac.be/index_eng.htm

The home page divides the listed resources by BIBECO into three main categories:

- **Economics & Management Library**, by which you can access academic databases and other resources requiring an institutional connection.

- **Web Portal for Economics and Management**, which is a large links repertory towards freely available resources such as academic, banking, statistics, news, blogs and open archives publications.

- **PATLIB, Portal for Patents**, which gives you an access to a wealth of resources in intellectual property (patents, trademarks & standards).
3. Economics & Management Library

http://www.bibeco.ulb.ac.be/bibeco_eng.htm

The main search tools are directly available through the first part: Economics & Management Library.

Targeted links are at your disposal to make a search according to the type of document (a book, a serial, a thesis, a databases, etc.). That way you will also access to the list of Databases or Electronic Journals, highlighted on the home page. You can also download the Classification system in Economics, Statistics and Management used at the 5th floor of the Library of Human Sciences.

Besides, the page offers you an access to different catalogues:

1) **Cible +**: catalogue of the ULB’s libraries. It is indeed a search engine that allows you to consult available documents in ULB’s libraries, but also electronic resources (with full text) available through ULB subscriptions.

2) **Unicat**: collective catalogue of academic and research of Belgian libraries. It allows to make a search in only one requiring, in all catalogues of the targeted libraries. A true time saving! If the required document is not available at the ULB, you can order it at the interlibrary service (concerns papers or copies of printed and electronic articles). For further searches, you keep the possibility to directly consult the catalogue of a particular library on its own platform.
3) **Worldcat**: collective catalogue of libraries around the world. It is very useful when you are looking for a document which is not in a Belgian library, especially when you are looking for a printed one. You can order it at the interlibrary service.

4) **Antilope**: collective journal catalogue of Belgian academic libraries, research libraries and specialized libraries. Such as UniCat, a complete overview of periodicals in Belgian libraries may be found in this catalogue.

A list offering access to worldwide libraries catalogues can be found on the page of the Economics and Management Portal, [http://www.bibeco.ulb.ac.be/portal_eng.htm](http://www.bibeco.ulb.ac.be/portal_eng.htm).
4. Databases and access to academic research papers

4.1 Navigation into databases

A hundred economics databases are highlighted by the Economics electronic Library. They are listed:

- by alphabetical order:
  - bibliographic and fulltext databases
  - micro and macroeconomics databases

- by thematic packages:
  - news and press
  - dictionaries and encyclopedias
  - finance
  - geoeconomics
  - marketing

http://www.bibeco.ulb.ac.be/database/index-eng.htm
4.2 Consultation of a database

Each database is presented on an independent page where you will find information about the content of the concerned database, on its thematic coverage and, if available, the list of journals accessible through this database.

The access to databases and other paying documentary resources (through ULB subscriptions) is free from a post located at the ULB’s libraries. From an outside location, it is necessary to identify yourself via the EZ-proxy service. Only ULB students and members are allowed to access to electronic periodicals outside the University. The access is done by authentication, by entering the login and the password of your ULB e-mail address.

Practically:
To consult the database, you only have to click on the logo on the top of the page or on its name in bold.

If you are outside ULB campuses, you will automatically be redirected to the authentication page of the ULB libraries where you will be invited to insert your ULB login and password.
4.3 List of electronic journals

A list containing all the economic journals is available on the website, all databases considered. This list gives a quick access to journals and informs about the availability of a full text without connecting to the database.

The list of electronic journals is available from the home page and it is also possible to access it from Economics and Management Library page. If you are outside ULB campuses, you will automatically be redirected to the authentication page of the ULB libraries where you will be invited to insert your ULB login and password.

http://www.bibeco.ulb.ac.be/journaux_electroniques.htm
5. Portal of Economics and Management

http://www.bibeco.ulb.ac.be/portal_eng.htm

The resources on the portal are available and free for everyone, everywhere, even without having an access to the ULB subscriptions.

1) To start your research, you can choose among many multidisciplinary search engines. To start it, you can also choose among resources in economics, finance, management and statistics.

2) If you are looking for an association, a company or a person, you can use one of our directories listing information by geographical order.

3) To consult a library catalogue or a publisher catalogue, browse the list of worldwide institutions with direct links to their resources.

4) The page Economic and Financial News gives you access to daily papers and other local journals listed by country.

5) Through open archives and virtual libraries you will access the collections of digital papers in full text usually available in free access.

6) Economics and management blogs represent used websites for the periodical and regular publication of articles, they can be managed by particulars or institutions.

7) The tab Grey literature in Economics and Management gives you access to academic publications such as work papers, research books, institutional or banking publications, both listed by geographical order to ease you search.

8) The part Economic Subjects groups useful links for your thematic search (organisms, Internet sites, reviews, etc.). Links are listed by alphabetical order.

9) If you are looking for numerical data, do not miss the consultation of International Organizations and statistical series. The first page gives you links to databases and statistical publications freely available online on international organisms websites. The
second one gives you access to other statistical resources that also provide data in free access. The ranking of these resources is alphabetic, by the name of the organism or by the resource title.

10) If you look for statistical data regarding a particular country or region, consult the websites listed by country that allows you an easier navigation.

A navigation between pages with the listed resources by country has been implemented to guide you in your search of diverse information (news, academic or banking publications, numerical data, stock exchange information etc.) on a country or a region.