

Industry News

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Swets Blackwell and ProQuest form strategic partnership to enhance access to e-journals and periodical databases

Swets Blackwell and ProQuest Company's (NYSE: PQE) Information and Learning Unit have announced the beginning of a strategic partnership with the signing of agreements that will allow both companies to provide their customers with broader access to journal literature in electronic form. The partnership is effective immediately.

In the first of two simultaneous agreements, seamless linking from the ProQuest® online information system will be provided to nearly 6,000 full-text e-journals that are available via Swets Blackwell's Swetsnet*Navigator* service. ProQuest CrossLinks™ technology and Swets Blackwell's multi-level linking technology will enable direct linking to articles in e-journals available via the Swetsnet*Navigator* system. Library customers who subscribe to both ProQuest and Swetsnet*Navigator* will be able to access their e-journal subscriptions directly through ProQuest.

In the second step of the partnership, Swets Blackwell has been appointed to distribute the ProQuest online information system to the corporate market in the USA, Canada, and most countries in Europe, the Middle East and Africa. Swets Blackwell will also have broader non-exclusive distribution rights in the academic library market in most countries in Europe, the Middle East, and Africa.

RoweCom and divine agree renewal financing

With divine Inc's acquisition of RoweCom UK Ltd, and all other members of the RoweCom Group, due for completion during the last week of October, the finishing touches have been made to a complex financing arrangement optimising RoweCom's ongoing business operations.

The timing of the acquisition coincides with RoweCom's major renewal period for next year's periodical subscriptions. These renewals require accompanying prepayments that routinely make large demands on RoweCom's resources. A combination of funding from divine Inc, and positive negotiations with a major US bank, now guarantee all publisher payments and no interruption to the timely renewal of 2002 library subscriptions.

divine, inc. (www.divine.com) is a premier provider of services, technology and managed applications that extend an enterprise through collaboration, interaction and knowledge solutions. For more information, visit the company's web site at:

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ALPSP events calendar

ALPSP has a calendar section on their website at <http://www.alpssp.org/calendar.htm>, which gives details of ALPSP sponsored or organised

seminars, briefings, workshops and training sessions. A selection of these is listed below.

- 21 November Publishing and the Internet Seminar – The Article Economy, London
- 28 November (jointly with FST and the Academy) Seminar: Copyright and the Learned Society: Intellectual property - what's yours worth? London
- 11 December Crown Copyright (ALPSP/PA briefing meeting), London
- 13 December Training: Journals Fulfilment, London
- 24 January 2002 (jointly with PA) Seminar: Changing business models for journal publishing, London
- 25 February 2002 (jointly with FST) Seminar: Making a difference: how learned societies can get their message across, London
- 28 February 2002 Training: Introduction to Design for Marketing ,London
- 22 March 2002 Training: Electronic Publishing Strategy, London
- 12 April 2002 International Learned Journals Seminar: We can't go on like this - the future of journals, London
- 23 May 2002 Training: Introduction to Journals Finance, London

For further details: www.alpsp.org;

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New features enhance RoweCom's web-based subscriptions manager - *kLibrary*

Major enhancements have extended the functionality and flexibility of *kLibrary* version 1.4.

Online access to single issue replacement stock is made available for the first time. If a RoweCom customer is missing a single issue they can remotely access the RoweCom inventory to discover if an odd issue is held and request that it be sent to them. There is no charge to RoweCom customers for this service. Similarly, any claims for failed delivery entered into *kLibrary* will be matched against RoweCom's single issue stock before the claim is sent by us to the publisher.

A *kLibrary* link to receipt information from sources such as the National Library of Medicine (NLM) and the Library of Congress provides further detail on known dates for publication and delivery. The facility to store URLs against a

subscription record will be invaluable for recording links to e-journal sites. There is also a new option to record free-text notes relevant to each subscription.

An important additional enhancement relating to e-journals is the display of publishers' license agreements. This information derives from RoweCom's License Depot and offers users the opportunity to discover terms and conditions for electronic access, whilst undertaking bibliographic research on *kLibrary*.

Displays of search results, for instance a list of titles, have until now been grouped ten at a time. In the new release a user can state a preference for the number of items to be displayed and this number can be made to vary for different types of searches.

Navigation has been enhanced to provide a quicker route to new order and new claim entry and RoweCom reference numbers for claims are now displayed for additional information and transparency.

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EMANI (Electronic Mathematics Archiving Network Initiative)

Springer-Verlag (Heidelberg/New York) has announced the Electronic Mathematics Archiving Network Initiative (EMANI) in cooperation with Tsinghua University Library (China), Goettingen State and University Library (Germany), and Cornell University Library (USA) to insure the preservation and dissemination of mathematical information for future generations.

Mathematics publishers, government agencies, and the mathematics community have long recognized the need for a stable, internationally accessible, electronic archive for valuable mathematical content. Springer-Verlag and three internationally prominent institutions have taken on the responsibility of developing this framework. It is likely that other libraries and publishers will join this initiative in the near future. In particular, it is expected that a major French partner will announce its participation imminently.

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Perspectives in Electronic Publishing (PeP)

Through a new model e-journal you can influence and contribute to a thesis. Try it at:

<http://aims.ecs.soton.ac.uk/pep.nsf>

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SwetsnetNavigator adds Elsevier Science's ScienceDirect titles

Elsevier Science's ScienceDirect titles are now available via SwetsnetNavigator, their electronic journal service. This development means that all authorized users of SwetsnetNavigator worldwide, whose institutions are also subscribers to ScienceDirect, can access Elsevier Science journal articles. Links to full text will only be displayed and access will only be granted to users with ScienceDirect licenses.

Users will be able to search across all Elsevier Science journals' abstracts and TOCs in SwetsnetNavigator, and link directly from the SwetsnetNavigator interface to the SummaryPlus page and subsequent full text in ScienceDirect. All SwetsnetNavigator functionalities will be available, such as SDIs, TOC alerts, browsing across TOCs, as well as linking via abstracts, TOCs and search results.

EJI: A registry of innovative e-journal features and functionalities

EJI, available at: <http://www.public.iastate.edu/~CYBERSTACKS/EJI.htm>, has been greatly expanded since it was first announced in December 2000

While I am interested in any and all innovative features, functionalities, and content not presently listed in EJI^(sm), as well as categories of items not yet identified, I am particularly interested in

e-journals that include a link to "Corrections" as well as those that employ "collaborative filtering" ['also-read'] functionality. As always, any and all contributions, suggestions, candidates, critiques, questions, comments, tax rebates, cosmic insights, etc. are most welcome!

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Nature opens debate on scholarly publishing

See <http://www.nature.com/nature/debates/e-access/index.html> for a site, which contains invited contributions from academics, publishers and librarians.

Swets Blackwell to acquire Martinus Nijhoff International

Swets Blackwell have announced an agreement to acquire Martinus Nijhoff International, the Dutch subscription agent and book dealer, with immediate effect. All activities currently handled from Nijhoff's head office in Zoetermeer, the Netherlands, will continue until the April 2002 integration of their subscription data into Swets Blackwell's system.

Swets Blackwell services Dutch libraries and information centers from their office in Lisse, the Netherlands. Business currently serviced from Nijhoff's local offices in the US, Brazil, Thailand, Bulgaria and Russia will be gradually integrated into the Swets Blackwell system over the next eight months.

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OECD chooses Turpin as its fulfilment and distribution partner

The Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD) has chosen Turpin Distribution Services Ltd., to be its new global fulfilment and distribution partner with effect from July 1st 2001. Turpin will begin work immediately to handle all aspects of order processing, customer service and delivery for the

OECD's printed, CD-Rom and online publications.

Turpin will be responsible for order processing, order and claims management and delivery for all OECD periodicals, books, CD-Roms, diskettes and SourceOECD (online) products. The OECD's own network of Centres will continue to provide customer service support to key clients, especially for the OECD's new online service, SourceOECD. For more information please contact: Jochen Picht, Logistics and Fulfilment Manager, or Lorna M. Summers, Managing Director, OECD Turpin Distribution Services Ltd. Tel: +44 (0)1462 672555
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Subject Index to Literature on Electronic Sources of Information

(available at: http://library.usask.ca/~dworacze/SUBJIN_A.HTM)

The page-specific "Subject Index to Literature on Electronic Sources of Information" and the accompanying "Electronic Sources of Information: A Bibliography" (listing all indexed items) deal with all aspects of electronic publishing and include print and non-print materials, periodical articles, monographs and individual chapters in collected works. This edition includes approx. 1,400 titles. Both the Index and the Bibliography is continuously updated.

An introduction, which includes sample search and instructions how to use the Subject Index and the Bibliography, is located at: http://library.usask.ca/~dworacze/SUB_INT.HTM

KBL^(sm): A Registry of Library Knowledge Bases

For a new registry, I am greatly interested in identifying library-created or library-related knowledge bases. A knowledge base/knowledgebase may be defined as a database with a focus on empirical or practical knowledge. In recent years, knowledge bases have become common components for many businesses and services. Excellent examples of knowledge bases are:-

- The RealNetworks "RealSystem Knowledge Base" [<http://service.real.com/kb/>] – a technical support knowledge base.

- "VID Knowledge Base 2000-2001" for the Virtual Information Desk of the Pennsylvania Inter-Library Online Library (PILOT) [<http://157.62.21.5/vid/vid-kb.asp>] is a library-created knowledge base"
- The Collaborative Digital Library, "a database of annotated resources indexed by research group, title, url, keywords, and comments", that serves as a virtual bookmark file for teams of researchers working asynchronously and remotely on projects. [http://www.kie.berkeley.edu/cool_library/-library_home.html], [http://www.kie.berkeley.edu/cool_library/-library_search.html]

Perhaps the most sophisticated Knowledge Base is that planned as part of the OPAL(Online Personal Academic Librarian) Project, "an eighteen month research project, which is exploring the development of a fully automated online, 24/7 reference service for students". [<http://oulib1.open.ac.uk/wh/research/opal/>]. "The project team is currently developing and testing a prototype automated reference system designed to answer common questions from OU distance learners." [<http://oulib1.open.ac.uk/wh/research/opal/intro.html>]

Examples of library-related Knowledge Base could/would include:

- The Cochrane Database of Systematic Reviews [<http://www.update-software.com/cochrane/product-cochrane.html>]
- The ÆGIS Clinical Trials Knowledgebase [<http://www.aegis.com/pubs/trials/index.html>]

Knowledge bases, offered by Proteome provide "a variety of products and services to integrate the accumulated knowledge from the research literature with genomic information and software tools to produce a powerful resource for bioinformatic scientists and biologists of all disciplines." [<http://www.proteome.com/>] The Proteome knowledge bases are built upon the review, extraction, and synthesis of information and data from peer-reviewed journals.

Over the coming weeks, these and other library knowledge bases will be added to a new web-based registry, KBL(sm): A Registry of Library Knowledge Bases [<http://www.public.iastate.edu/~CYBERSTACKS/KBL.htm>]

Articles, reports, studies, school papers or projects regarding library knowledge bases are also of major interest for a planned General Bibliography [I am NOT interested in literature about Knowledge Bases per se]

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Faculty of 1000

Faculty of 1000 is the next generation literature awareness tool. It is a revolutionary new online research service that will comprehensively and systematically highlight and review the most interesting papers published in the biological sciences, based on the recommendations of a faculty of well over 1000 selected leading researchers.

For further information see

<http://www.facultyof1000.com>

University of York – Raymond Burton Humanities Research Library

Work has begun on a new specialist library, The Raymond Burton Humanities Research Library, at the University of York. The building is a flagship project in the University's massive capital development programme and will be a strong architectural statement from the top of the hill overlooking the University campus. It will be open in the autumn of 2002.

It is a highly unusual project. Most new library buildings in universities are 'learning centres', focused on the mass needs of large numbers of undergraduate students. The Humanities Research Library is designed for special collections, state-of-the-art archive facilities and electronic and hardcopy published materials for leading scholars.

The Humanities Research Library is funded by a generous benefaction of £2 million from the Raymond Burton Charitable Trust and by £1 million of the University's own funds. A special fund, the Friends of the University of York Library, will play a part in attracting gifts of special collections to complement the University's existing research collections.

The Borthwick Institute of Historical Research also hopes to move to the site. The Borthwick holds the records of the Archbishops of York (covering

the whole of the North of England) as well as numerous genealogical records, health archives, the Rowntree archive and numerous private collections. Amongst its archives are the original Will of Charlotte Bronte and the marriage contracts of William Wordsworth and Anthony Trollope.

IoP Select – Institute of Physics

Launched in September 2001, IoP Select (see <http://select.iop.org>) is a free service for physicists world-wide. Based on a special collection of articles chosen from Institute of Physics Publishing's research journals, covering all physics.

Following the peer-review process, our Editors-in-chief and Honorary Editors choose for the service articles that bring substantial advances or significant breakthroughs, that demonstrate a high degree of novelty and are expected to exert a significant impact and influence on future research.

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The Analytic Press

The Analytic Press' (TAP) extensive list of titles in the theory and practice of psychodynamic psychotherapy is supplemented by distinguished offerings in forensic psychiatry, psychiatric history, infant and child research, health and illness studies, women's studies, gender studies, affect theory, and attachment research. Recent textbooks cover self psychology, object relations treatment approaches, interpersonal theory and practice, and supportive psychotherapy. The journal program, which includes *Psychoanalytic Inquiry*, *Psychoanalytic Dialogues*, and the *Journal of the American Psychoanalytic Association*, introduced *Studies in Gender and Sexuality* in January 2000.

Institution of Mining and Metallurgy (IMM)

Three titles from IMM are now available from SwetsnetNavigator. The IMM supports the

professions involved in most branches of the minerals industry, covering the technical disciplines of mineral exploration, engineering and mining geology, mining engineering, petroleum engineering, mineral processing and extractive metallurgy as well as health and safety, management and environmental aspects of the industry.

International Union of Crystallography (IUCr)

Seven full-text titles from *Crystallography Journals Online*, the electronic journals service from the IUCr, are now available in SwetsnetNavigator. The IUCr is a not-for-profit organization that, in addition to publication of crystallographic research, aims to promote international cooperation in crystallography and to contribute to the advancement of all aspects of crystallography.

Imprint Academic

Imprint Academic publishes books and journals in philosophy, politics and psychology. Their flagship journal, *History of Political Thought*, launched in 1980, was evaluated the best in the field in a survey by the Political Studies Association. Since then the company has added to this speciality with the acquisition of *Polis*, the Journal of the Society for Greek Political Thought.

In 1994, the company launched the *Journal of Consciousness Studies*, which has become the most widely read peer-reviewed journal in this new interdisciplinary field. The sister journal, *Cybernetics and Human Knowing*, also studies human cognition, but from a constructivist perspective. All titles are now available on SwetsnetNavigator

ITDG

ITDG is an international NGO, which specializes in helping people to use technology sustainably, in order to find practical answers to poverty. Registered in the United Kingdom, ITDG works directly in four regions of the developing world - Latin America, East Africa, Southern Africa and South Asia. In these regions, ITDG works with poor communities to build their skills and capabilities through the dissemination of information in all forms. ITDG Publishing is the publishing arm of ITDG. Its journals *Waterlines* and *Small Enterprise Development* are now available on SwetsnetNavigator

Triangle

Swets Blackwell has announced the addition of fifteen journal titles from Triangle Journals to SwetsnetNavigator. Online access to tables of contents and abstracts, together with links to the full-text articles, will now be available to service customers. This applies both to customers with print subscriptions to the corresponding title and also to subscribers to Triangle Journals' two online-only titles: *European Educational Research Journal* (the major new quarterly journal of EERA, first issue due 2002) and *Contemporary Issues in Early Childhood* (Volume 3, 2002).

Triangle Journals is a specialist publisher of international journals in the social sciences, with a particular focus on journals about education. The full list of journals can be found at www.triangle.co.uk

RAPRA

Rapra Technology, Europe's leading independent plastics and rubber consultancy, will link three of its titles into SwetsnetNavigator. Rapra provides consultancy, technology and information services for the polymer industry and industries using plastics and rubber in any component, product or production process.

Online linking between Current Contents® and Journals@Ovid now available

Ovid Technologies, Inc. has announced the implementation of robust linking between Current Contents® and Journals@Ovid, Ovid's aggregated database of scientific, technical and medical journals.

Ovid first implemented links between its bibliographic and full text databases in 1995, with the release of the Core Biomedical Collection, a full text database consisting of 15 leading biomedical journals. Since then hundreds more journals have been added to Ovid's catalogue of full text with over 9 million links available between and among full text articles and bibliographic databases such as MEDLINE®, CINAHL, PsycINFO® and BIOSIS™ Previews, and others.

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