USER’S GUIDE FOR THE ECONOMICS ELECTRONIC LIBRARY
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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/

The home page divides the listed resources by BIBECO into two 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.
3. Search tools

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

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

You find there a link to **New Acquisitions** in Economics and Management, available at the 5th floor of the Library of Human Sciences. You can also download the **Classification system** in Economics, Statistics and Management used at this floor.

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.

Besides, the page offers you an access to different Belgian catalogs:

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, and that in all catalogs 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).
And for further searches, you keep the possibility to directly consult a catalog of a particular library on its own platform.

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

4. Databases and access to academic research papers

4.1 Connection to databases

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 you via the EZ-proxy service. Only ULB students and members are allowed to access to electronic periodicals outside the University. The access is made by authentication by entering the login and the password of their ULB email address.

Practically:

All the pages of the Economics electronic Library requiring identification in an outside location have this following link: «Access the Economics and Management Electronic Databases from outside ULB campus (EZ-Proxy) » located at the right top of the page.

This link redirects you to the authentication of the ULB libraries where you will be invited to insert your login and password.
Once your access is accepted, you will be redirected to the origin page on BIBECO. The sentence «You are connected to the EZ-Proxy service of ULB’s libraries» in red letters on the top of the screen, will confirm your successful process of authentication.

It is likely to make this process before starting your search because all further connection, during your consultation of a resource for example, can imply a loss of the historical researches that you have made.

When you navigate in the databases, make sure that « ezproxy.ulb.ac.be » follows the domain address: a databases address JSTOR should look to « www.jstor.org.ezproxy.ulb.ac.be ».
4.2 Navigation into databases

http://www.bibeco.ulb.ac.be/database/index-eng.htm

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

- by alphabetical order
- by information type that they include:
  - dictionaries and encyclopedias
  - bibliographic and full text databases
  - micro and micro economics databases
- by subject
  - news and media
  - marketing

4.3 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.

To consult the database, you just have to click on the logo on the top of the page.
4.4 List of electronic journals

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

A list containing all the economics 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 before 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.
5. Portal of Economics and Management

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

Available resources on the portal are free access.

1) To start your research, you can choose among many multidisciplinary search engines or Economics and Management information servers.

2) If you are looking for an association, a company or a person, you can use one of our directories listing available 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 Economics 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 your 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 diverse organisms websites. The second gives you access to other statistical resources that also provide data in free access. The ranking of 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 those 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.