

Press Release

Goportis: Common Full-Text Supply operational

The three German National Libraries, namely the German National Library of Science and Technology (TIB), the German National Library of Medicine (ZB MED) and the German National Library of Economics (ZBW), have given their "go-ahead" to the second release of the Goportis system.

The Ordering module goes live

It has been possible since December 2007 to make integrated searches across the unique and comprehensive holdings of all three libraries. Now an ordering module has been added, and the common full-text delivery service is ready to start.

The directors of the German National Libraries express their unanimous opinion thus: "A great step forward has been made. Now the search function across our common holdings is complemented by our customary fast and reliable order and delivery service for requested literature. The outlines of our system are clear and we hope it will become indispensable to our customers for their full-text supply."

The German National Libraries specialise in technology, natural and life sciences, medicine and economics. On customers' request, the "Full Service" will also procure literature from other subjects.

Collective invoicing available

A new feature adapted to customers' requirements is the common invoicing: the document deliveries of all three libraries are settled in a collective account. The various deliveries are itemised in detail so customers can keep track of their orders.

Other functionalities

Other convenient functionalities are available: making orders without previous search, a saved searches feature and an order tracking system round off the range of services.

Prospects

The continuous development of Goportis is our agenda: improvements to the search options, the integration of electronic fulltexts and the links to the existing subject portals GetInfo, MEDPILOT.DE and EconBiz are already scheduled.



The directors Horst Thomsen (ZBW), Uwe Rosemann (TIB) and Ulrich Korwitz (ZB MED) activate the second release of Goportis (from left to right)

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