

Product news...

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World News Connection now available through Dialog

Dialog now hosts the United States government's daily online global news monitoring service World News Connection (WNC).

WNC offers electronic searching of an extensive array of translated and English-language news and information compiled daily by the US government's Foreign Broadcast Information Service (FBIS) and published by the US Department of Commerce's National Technical Information Service (NTIS). Dialog is the only commercial vendor to offer access to the full file of WNC.

Dialog targets small business specialty markets

Dialog is now offering additional content channels through DialogPRO service for small businesses. The new content channels are Energy, Engineering, Patent and Trademark.

Dialog packages information to create the individual DialogPRO (Predictable Research Online) content channels. Each content channel is designed to best match the unique information needs of individual DialogPRO subscribers.

For examples of the DialogPRO content channels, visit <http://www.dialog.com/products/dialogpro/>.

ProQuest add Australia and New Zealand newspapers to online services

ProQuest Company's Information and Learning unit have added key Australia newspapers to its ProQuest online system. Users of ProQuest Australia and New Zealand Newsstand can access recent and archival articles from titles including *The Australian*, *Herald Sun* and *The Courier-Mail*, as well as regional news feeds and broadcast transcripts from the ABC. Customers will have access to over 500 000 full-text articles per year and the product will be launched with a two-year back-file.

ProQuest Information and Learning re-releases Film Index International

ProQuest Information and Learning has re-released Film Index International. Published under its Chadwyck-Healey academic publishing imprint in collaboration with the British Film Institute, Film Index International is an online database that indexes more than 110 000 international entertainment films, dating from the beginning of film making to the present day. Film Index International is available as an annual online subscription. Trial access request forms are available from <http://fii.chadwyck.co.uk>.

New from Softlink

e-Reference... The easiest way to capture and share corporate knowledge. Building your knowledge with the ability to view and access all new requests from your colleagues. Once you are ready to work on a given request the status moves to 'In Progress' and will be logged as part of your days work. Your colleagues are kept informed by viewing the status of their request on-line. And once you have answered their request they will receive their own personal e-mail with the answer they need.

e-Reference delivers the statistics with in-built reporting so you can easily track just how many requests your department receives. Contact Softlink on 1800 777 037 or sales@softlink.com.au for information.

Factiva offers corporate subscriptions to *The Wall Street Journal* online

Corporate customers of Factiva can now subscribe to *The Wall Street Journal Online* through three flexible, convenient, and cost-effective subscription options.

1. A site license subscription to the Online Journal, with access directly from the Factiva.com navigation bar.
2. A site license subscription, with access directly from the customer's corporate intranet.
3. A bulk subscription for a specific department or group.

Pricing for all three plans varies according to the size of the institution and the number of subscriptions purchased, as well as the size of their Factiva account.

Factiva adds *The Bulletin* to content collection

Factiva and Australian Consolidated Press (ACP) have announced a global agreement to distribute *The Bulletin* through Factiva's global news and business information services. Under the agreement, Australian Consolidated Press will deliver the full text of *The Bulletin* each week.

Current and archived content from *The Bulletin*, dating back to July 2002, is available immediately through all Factiva services.

Content Server — an exciting new search engine from Inmagic

Maxus Australia is pleased to announce the release of Content Server which provides powerful text searching capabilities.

Existing DB/TextWorks and WebPublisher databases can be migrated to the new Content Server system, providing an interface that looks and feels just like the familiar DB/Text front end.

To see Content Server in action contact Andrew Pentecost at Maxus Australia (Formerly Triad Data Magic Pty Ltd) Andrew.Pentecost@maxus.net.au, visit Level 1, 306 Bay Street, Port Melbourne, or call 03 9646 1988 or fax 03 9646 3611.

Outsourced research survey report released

TFPL and Business360 have released the results of their survey into outsourced business research. A free summary report, *Business research outsourcing: opinions, experience and lessons*, is available from <http://www.tfpl.com> or <http://www.business360.com> or e-mail gordan.a.perencevic@tfpl.com.

TFPL and Business360 conducted a survey earlier this year to explore the experience of, and trends in, business research outsourcing. Results of the survey are derived from 258 submissions received in March and April 2003 to an online survey hosted by Business360.

Thomson streamlines legal research

Legal researchers in Australia can now navigate through the thousands of databases on Westlaw [<http://westlaw.com.au>] using the KeyCite citation functionality to quickly and easily find 'good law' cases from the bulk of Australian specific and global content reported. Westlaw is a service of Thomson Legal and Regulatory.

Through KeyCite, legal researchers can access citator information for reported Australian cases since 1825. Westlaw Australia offers access to more than 22 databases from Thomson's Australian Primary Law Collection. Researchers will also have access to global case information.

Sirsi

Sirsi (<http://www.sirsi.com>) recognises that today's librarians are on a mission to break down walls — barriers that limit the knowledge and resources accessible to library users. A partner with leading libraries around the globe since 1979, Sirsi provides software and services that promote learning, empowerment, and opportunity for diverse user communities. Sirsi's portfolio of products and services includes the iBistro and iLink e-Library solutions, the Unicorn Library Management System, the Hyperion Digital Media Archive, Sirsi Rooms, and a full slate of services. ■