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While information is easily accessible from various online sources, well-researched and quality specialist knowledge found in scholarly journals, business market reports and other such resources might not be so easy to locate.

Through its eResources service (http://eresources.nlb.gov.sg), the National Library Board connects its members to over 70 databases that cover a comprehensive range of subjects from the arts to finance to health.

Here is a sampling of available databases.



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E-books

INSTITUTE OF SOUTHEAST ASIAN STUDIES COLLECTION

This excellent e-book collection brings together the publications and research of the Institute of Southeast Asian Studies (ISEAS). The content covers imprints that were released from 1980 to 2010, and features scholars like Wang Gungwu, Leo Suryadinata, Sharon Siddique and Saw Swee Hock.

Available at all libraries and from home.

GALE VIRTUAL REFERENCE LIBRARY

Gale is an online library of reference books and encyclopedias on various subjects ranging from the arts to the sciences. A noteworthy gem in its collection is the well-received multi-volume work on *The Papers of Lee Kuan Yew: speeches, interviews and dialogues* compiled by the National Archives of Singapore in 2011.

Available at all libraries and from home.

ECONOMIST INTELLIGENCE UNIT

Provides up-to-date political and economic analysis and data on 65 countries through its country reports. The database also has a global forecasting information service on commodities, world trade and exchange rates.

Available at Lee Kong Chian Reference Library, Jurong Regional Library, Tampines Regional Library and Woodlands Regional Library.

EUROMONITOR PASSPORT (FORMERLY EUROMONITOR GLOBAL MARKET INFORMATION DATABASE)

Euromonitor Passport is a database with business intelligence on consumer markets, consumer lifestyles, countries, companies and brands. It contains in-depth research, trend analysis and statistics on consumer products such as apparel and games. It also provides data and analysis on consumer lifestyles, demographic and socio-economic trends in 206 countries.

Available at all libraries. Limited printing access.

BUSINESS MONITOR ONLINE

Provides market reports on an array of industry sectors that includes Agribusiness, Commercial Banking, Defence & Security, Freight Transport, Information Technology, Water, Insurance, Oil & Gas, Pharmaceuticals, Power, Shipping and Telecommunications. The geographical areas covered span over 190 countries. The database also offers country forecast reports, risk ratings as well as current analysis and news.

Available at Lee Kong Chian Reference Library.

MARKETLINE ADVANTAGE (FORMERLY DATAMONITOR 360)

This database provides market data on almost 50 countries in over 30 market sectors that range from leisure and arts to financial services and healthcare. In addition, the database carries country analysis, company profiles and business case studies. One can also generate statistics from its country and market data analytics databases.

Available at Lee Kong Chian Reference Library only.

Business

SINGAPORE 1000

This database offers access to the digital versions of established publications Singapore 1000 and SME 500 that focus on performance rankings of top corporations and small and medium enterprises in Singapore. The database also has a list of the 50 Fastest Growing Companies in Singapore, a contact list and graphs showing the distribution of top companies by sales and industry.

Available at all libraries and home.

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Accessing eResources from home

- . Go to http://eresources.nlb.gov.sg
- 2. Login using your NRIC no., name and birth date
- 3. Use the Browse List to locate the database
- 4. Click on the database

Accessing eResources in the library

- 1. From your laptop, select Wireless@SG from the list of wireless networks
- 2. Login to your Wireless@SG accou
- 3. Go to http://eresources.nlb.gov.sg
- 4. Use the Browse List to locate the database
- 5. Click on the database

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Newspapers

TIMES DIGITAL ARCHIVE

The online historical archive of *The Times* (London) covers the period from 1785 to 1985, and some of its articles record events and personalities in or related to British colonies in the Far East, making it a useful resource for research on Singapore and Malaya under British rule. The website offers full-image replicas of the originals and allows full-text searching and filtering by categories such as illustrations, features and editorials.

Available at all libraries and from home.

FACTIVA

A popular news database that offers one of the richest and deepest archives of Singapore papers. The Straits Times (1989–), The Business Times (1984–), The New Paper (2004–), Berita Harian (2011–) Lianhe Zaobao (1999–), Shin Min Daily (2007–), Today (2004–) and Channel NewsAsia are some of the newspaper titles included in the collection. Factiva, under Dow Jones, aggregates content from new wires such as Reuters and Associated Press, as well as newsprint from over 200 countries in 28 languages.

Available at all libraries.

LIBRARY PRESSDISPLAY

Users can access the digital replicas of over 2,000 newspapers from 97 countries that are presented in full-colour. Newspapers in the collection include the International Herald Tribune, Wall Street Journal Asia, The Guardian, The Daily Telegraph, South China Morning Post, The Australian, Bangkok Post, The Jakarta Post, Manila Times and The Star Malaysia. Access is up to 90 days of back issues.

Available from home. Access to The Straits Times, The Business Times and Lianhe Zaobao are available in libraries only.

Humanities, Social Sciences & Sciences

JSTOR

JSTOR is a not-for-profit digital library established by a consortium of research and university libraries. It houses more than 1,500 scholarly journals in over 50 disciplines particularly in the areas of social sciences, humanities and history. Significant titles include the Journal of the Straits Branch of the Royal Asiatic Society and its successors, Journal of Southeast Asian Studies and Sojourn: Journal of Social Issues in Southeast Asia.

Available at all libraries and from home.

SPRINGERLINK

SpringerLink is a full-text science database. It offers an extensive range of disciplines that includes chemistry, computer science, engineering, environmental sciences, food science & nutrition, life sciences, physics, psychology and behavioural science. It has over 4 million documents, 870,000 chapters and 250,000 reference entries which are published under Springer-Verlag and related publishers.

Available at all libraries and from home.

EBSCOHOST

Its two core databases, Academic Search Premier and Business Source Complete, provide full-text access to over 6,000 peer-reviewed journals. Collectively, the suite of 15 databases encompasses the subject areas of psychology, education, religion, military science, business, sports, nursing, biology, chemistry and engineering. Besides academic journals, there are also over 3,500 SWOT (Strength, Weaknesses, Opportunities and Threats) analyses and 9,000 case studies for the business student, trade journals for professionals and popular business magazines such as Businessweek, Harvard Business Review. Forbes and Fortune for the general reader.

Available at all libraries and from home.

Arts

OXFORD ART ONLINE

A collection of key art reference works by the Oxford University Press. They include the Grove Art Online, the Benezit Dictionary of Artists, the Encyclopedia of Aesthetics, The Oxford Companion to Western Art, and The Concise Oxford Dictionary of Art Terms. The database also offers thematic guides on popular visual arts topics such as Impressionism and Fashion, as well as brief timelines on world art.

Available at all libraries and from home.

ARTSTOR

Focuses primarily on art images and contains 1.5 million digital images on painting, photography, sculpture, decorative arts and design, archaeological and anthropological objects and other aspects of visual and material culture. The image library is built on the collections of Magnum Photos, the Museum of Modern Art, Frick Art Reference Library, Getty Research Institute and many more partners. Like JSTOR, ARTstor is a shared resource bank established by a consortium of research and universities libraries.

Available at Lee Kong Chian Reference Library only.

LITERATURE ONLINE

Literature Online is an online library of more than 350,000 works of English and American poetry, drama and prose, 300 full-text literature journals, and other criticisms and reference resources. The texts are complemented by 800 clips of poetry readings and dramatised audio-recordings of Shakespeare's 39 plays. Also available are 200 student guides that provide character lists, chapter-by-chapter summaries, and brief analyses on the style, themes and motifs of classic and contemporary literary works.

Available at Lee Kong Chian Reference Library only.