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WHAT IS RESEARCH4LIFE?

Research4Life is the collective name for five public-private partnerships which seek to help achieve the UN’s Millennium Development Goals by providing the developing world with access to critical scientific research.

Research4Life empowers universities, colleges, research institutes and government ministries as well as non-governmental agencies, extension centres and hospitals with access to scientific and professional knowledge that was never before imagined.

Since 2002, the five Research4Life programmes have given people at thousands of institutions in over 120 countries and territories in the developing world free or low-cost access to up to tens of thousands of peer-reviewed international scientific journals, books, and databases provided by the world’s leading science publishers.

WHAT’S AVAILABLE?

- Online access to tens of thousands of peer-reviewed international scientific journals, books, and databases.
- Full-text articles can be downloaded for saving, printing or reading on screen.
- Searching by keyword, subject, author or language.
- Resources available in several languages.
- Training in information literacy and promotional support.

Launched in 2002, Hinari is managed by the World Health Organization in partnership with Yale University Library and more than a hundred publishers.

Institutions in more than a hundred countries have access to Hinari, which provides access to thousands of peer-reviewed journals covering medicine, nursing and related health and social sciences. It also includes many databases, indexes and reference books, as well as journals in several languages. The journals can be searched through a special and easy-to-use version of PubMed (Medline).

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AGORA provides access to thousands of high-quality international journals covering agriculture, fisheries, food, nutrition, veterinary science and related biological, environmental and social sciences. The journals can be searched using a special subset of CAB Abstracts.

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OARE provides access to thousands of scientific journals in a wide range of disciplines contributing to our understanding of the natural environment, including environmental toxicology and pollution, zoology, botany, geology, climatology, geography, environmental economics, environmental law and policy, environmental biotechnology, energy, and many other disciplines.

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HELP AND SUPPORT

Training and outreach

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Eligibility

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Please note that for some countries there are some exceptions to eligibility for certain titles. In addition, the eligibility of countries, areas, and territories will change as their development indicators change. If you have any questions regarding technical details and requirements, please email the Research4Life helpdesk: r4l@research4life.org.

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If you are interested in becoming a partner or you are an institution seeking research support, please get in touch.