I WANT TO ACCESS ONLINE RESOURCES

The first question is, what are "online resources" or "electronic resources"? In librarians' jargon, online or e-resources stands for all the content available online that the library offers through its website, whether it has a paid subscription to these resources (e.g. Cairn or Europresse), or provides links to free content elsewhere (e.g. Eurostat). And we are talking about FULL TEXT content.

1. LOGGING IN

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This page tells you everything you need to know about logging in with your identifiers.

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- **access the library's resources** without going through our website
- **find an open-access version,** if Sciences Po doesn't subscribe to the paid version
- **be notified** if a service is **down or being tested**, or of any **specific access details**
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Here's how to connect to Lean Library.

2. ACCESS ONLINE RESOURCES VIA THE ELECTRONIC RESOURCES PAGE

- To access e-resources, go to the *Search* tab on the home page of the library website and click *Electronic Resources*. Once you're on the *Electronic Resources* page, enter your keywords or the name of the resource you want in the search box. Click on a result. You'll need to log in with your Sciences Po account to access the resource.

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3. ACCESS ONLINE RESOURCES THROUGH THE CATALOGUE

You can access online resources through the Sciences Po library catalogue. The How to use the catalogue page offers you a step-by-step guide to searching.

Some of the content and services offered are only visible once you've logged into your user account. So make sure you do!
When you're logged in to the catalogue, you can:
- access external licensed databases,
- add searches you've made to your basket,
- set alerts for your search queries,
- use library services such as requesting or recalling items.

4. ACCESS ONLINE RESOURCES. WHY ISN'T IT WORKING? LOGGING IN, DATABASE ACCESS CONDITIONS, ETC.

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