

## INTAS INFORMATION SHEET

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### INTAS e-library infrastructure action

Access to scientific literature provided to NIS researchers for the period 2002-2005

**INTAS, the International Association for the promotion of co-operation with Scientists from the New Independent States (NIS) of the former Soviet Union, is a dedicated instrument for scientific collaboration with the NIS countries associated to the Sixth Framework Programme for Research of the European Community.**

INTAS aims at preserving the best NIS scientific capabilities and fostering social and economic progress through the promotion of international scientific collaboration for mutual benefit between INTAS 32 member states and its 12 NIS Partner Countries. Today, after a decade of operation, INTAS has confirmed its role as one of the key instruments for EU-NIS co-operation.

In December 2001, INTAS allocated **900 000 € to its e-library action** dedicated to providing access to scientific literature for NIS researchers, based on electronic delivery. Open to eleven (11) NIS partner countries, this action will run from 2002 until end-2005, and enable scientists to have a rapid and timely access to a range of electronic journals and databases, as well as receive limited additional scientific information by document delivery. The full range of scientific subjects that occur in INTAS projects will be covered to reflect the collaboration between scientists from the NIS and the INTAS member states. Whilst all libraries and scientific institutions in the 11 NIS countries can access the e-library, scientists will have to organize access via their institutions. Russia has its own e-library run by the RFBR (the Russian Foundation for Basic Research) accessible at [www.elibrary.ru](http://www.elibrary.ru).

To set up the e-library, INTAS selected two organizations: **INASP** and **TIB**, each working with a network of libraries and scientific institutions in each of the NIS countries to ensure as broad an access to the information as possible. Access to the e-library and further information on corresponding e-library activities is also possible **via the INTAS website**.

*See overleaf for more details on this INTAS infrastructure action*

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How are the e-library network and services organized between TIB and INASP ?

## TIB

- ✓ Based in Germany, this National Library of Science and Technology covers **Azerbaijan, Georgia, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Tajikistan and Ukraine.**
- ✓ Access to TIB e-library resources available for institutions in this group of NIS countries can be found at – <http://tib.miclibrary-intas.ru/>
- ✓ TIB carries out training activities for explaining and promoting the e-library in the 6 NIS countries managed by them.

## INASP

- ✓ Based in the UK, the International Network for the Availability of Scientific Publications covers **Armenia, Belarus, Moldova, Turkmenistan and Uzbekistan.**
- ✓ Access to INASP e-library resources available for institutions in this group of NIS countries can be found at – <http://www.inasp.info/peri/intas> INASP has made available extensive information also in Russian at: <http://www.inasp.info/peri/indexru>
- ✓ INASP organizes two types of training workshops
  - in each of the 11 NIS, on “Using the internet”
  - in Armenia, Belarus, Moldova, Turkmenistan and Uzbekistan, on “Electronic resources”

All training materials are available on the INASP page at <http://www.inasp.info/peri/intas.html> or on their Russian page at <http://www.inasp.info/peri/indexru.html>

## Free resources for all 12 NIS countries

- ✓ Extensive links to ‘**Free Resources**’ for all NIS countries can be found at <http://www.inasp.info/peri/free.html>
- ✓ Access to a scientific catalogue TIBORDER (stock of TIB) and ETOC (journal articles) can be found at <http://tiborder.de>. Please note that, searching in the catalogue is free, but ordering articles has to be paid! For the six countries it covers, TIB offers a limited free ordering at TIBORDER .

INTAS information desks in the NIS countries are supporting and collaborating on the e-library training activities. For a detailed list of the information desks, please consult the INTAS website [www.intas.be](http://www.intas.be) under “Links”.