

## Email Forum and Blog

You are welcome to join the **lis-jibs-users** email list, which is an open Jiscmail discussion list managed by the JIBS user group. It enables us to disseminate information to the user community and seek feedback. You are also welcome to contact JIBS committee members directly, using the contact information on the web site.

Keep up to date with the latest news on the blog:  
<http://jibsnews.blogspot.com/>

## Web site

More detailed information about liaison activities, projects and resources is on the web site:  
[www.jibs.ac.uk](http://www.jibs.ac.uk)

### How to join

If you are interested in supporting the group in any way please feel free to contact the membership secretary for more information  
[info@jibs.ac.uk](mailto:info@jibs.ac.uk)

JIBS operates on a not-for-profit basis and is funded mainly by membership subscriptions. Institutional membership of the User Group costs £55 per calendar year, and is open to all HE, FE and RC institutions. Check to see if your organization is a member by visiting  
<http://www.jibs.ac.uk/aboutus>

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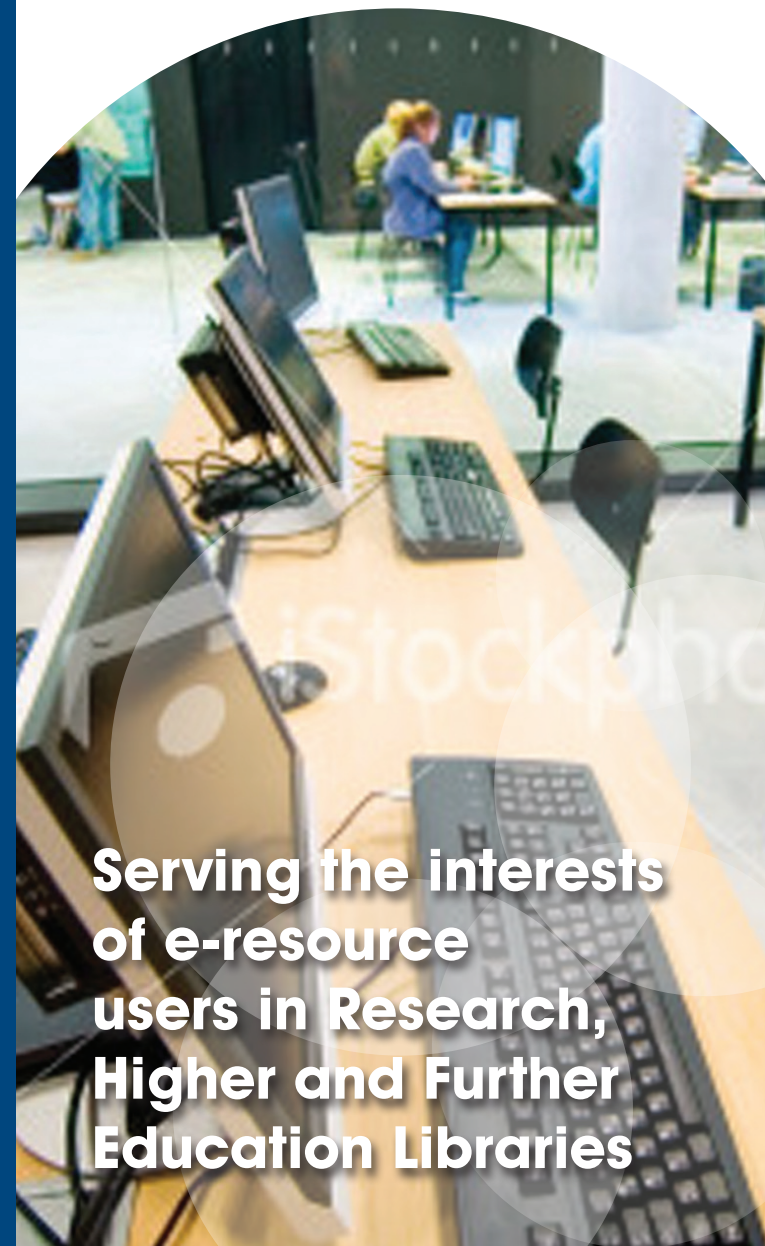
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## JIBS User Group

The JIBS User Group represents users of bibliographic databases and related products available to the UK Higher Education (HE), Further Education (FE), and Research Council (RC) communities via national site-licence arrangements.

Our remit is:

- to stimulate and maintain interest in online services of interest to these communities via the JISC or Chest Eduserv, or from other independent sources.
- to focus primarily on matters of content but also on the delivery of resources
- to provide an effective and independent forum for discussion and information exchange between the users of such services.
- to bring matters of concern to the attention of the data suppliers and service providers
- to influence collectively the development of online products and services available to the JIBS user community.

Both JISC Collections and Eduserv/Chest supervise licence agreements for comprehensive collections of scholarly and educational materials, providing a rich landscape of content. This includes bibliographic and full text resources (such as e-journals and e-books), moving pictures and sound, learning materials, geospatial information, primary research data, images and resource discovery tools.



## What do we do?

- The JIBS User Group committee liaises with institutional representatives in order to inform our discussion with JISC, Eduserv/ Chest and dataset providers.
- JIBS provides an effective and independent forum for discussion and information exchange between end users via workshops, as well as a blog and an email list.
- The JIBS enhancement groups ensure that matters of concern are brought to the attention of the data suppliers and data service providers.
- JIBS helps to influence the development of JISC supported online products and services by sitting on the working group committees, for example E-books and E-journals.

Current committee members are listed on the web site, indicating their liaison roles and subject interests.

## Workshops and seminars

Workshops and seminars are held two or three times a year on topical issues and provide an excellent opportunity for personal development and training. For example:

- Is Library 2.0 a trivial pursuit?
- Walk in access and its implementation
- Battle of the Giants: A comparison of Web of Knowledge, Scopus and Google Scholar.

## Membership benefits

As soon as your institution is signed up, all staff working there are eligible for a range of JIBS services including free or reduced rate attendance at special events organized by the User Group.

Membership will help ensure that your institution is kept informed of key developments and issues affecting e-resource delivery in HE, FE and RCs, and will give you the opportunity to raise issues via the User Group at national level.



JIBS provides an effective and independent forum for discussion

