

Swets Subscription Service announce the launch of SwetsNet - a major new service for fulltext electronic journals.

SwetsNet offers libraries and scholars a single source for ordering and accessing a broad range of publishers' electronic titles. The service uses the Internet for the delivery of fulltexts.

Librarians wishing to offer a full service to their users for the growing numbers of electronic journals are faced with new administration and access procedures, for example in finding out what is available, the administration of passwords and licenses, in acquisition decisions and in arranging access. SwetsNet has been developed to assist librarians and institutions in these areas.

SwetsNet offers users:

- a central catalogue of electronic titles in the service
- simplified password administration
- searching across all titles in the service or only journals subscribed to
- searching tables of contents, bibliographical information and abstracts where available
- browsing contents of specific journals
- fulltext of articles on screen
- regular usage information
- SwetsNet management functions for libraries
- full information and support services
- future pay-as-you-view access to individual articles
- linked to Swets' existing print subscription service

Search screens, tables of contents and bibliographic information are presented in HTML with fulltexts viewable in PDF format, or other formats by arrangement. Access is granted only to authorized viewers, either those with subscriptions to the titles or who are part of a site license; control is via passwords and checks of IP numbers.

Publishers benefit from the service by inclusion of their journal titles in the SwetsNet Catalogue and their tables of contents in a growing

database of serials information. SwetsNet provides publishers with the opportunity to simplify electronic access and ordering for their subscribers. Publishers wishing to make an entry into electronic journal publishing can also use SwetsNet as an Internet publishing service.

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