

 **Tutorials****Episode 8: How do I find a journal by name, subject or ISSN?**

Let's resume: In the last episodes we already described how to start your search with a database ([Episode 3](#)) and how to search for different databases ([Episode 4](#) and [Episode 7](#)).

Most journals which are accessible at findit.lu will provide full-text access for you. That means, you can read all the articles of a journals from the last years. The time span of availability can change from journal to journal.

In this lesson we will locate a journal by its name or part of it, by ISSN or subject. Searching for journals by name is almost identical to searching for databases which we saw in our last instalment.

First, connect to Consortium Luxembourg's electronic documentation portal at findit.lu.

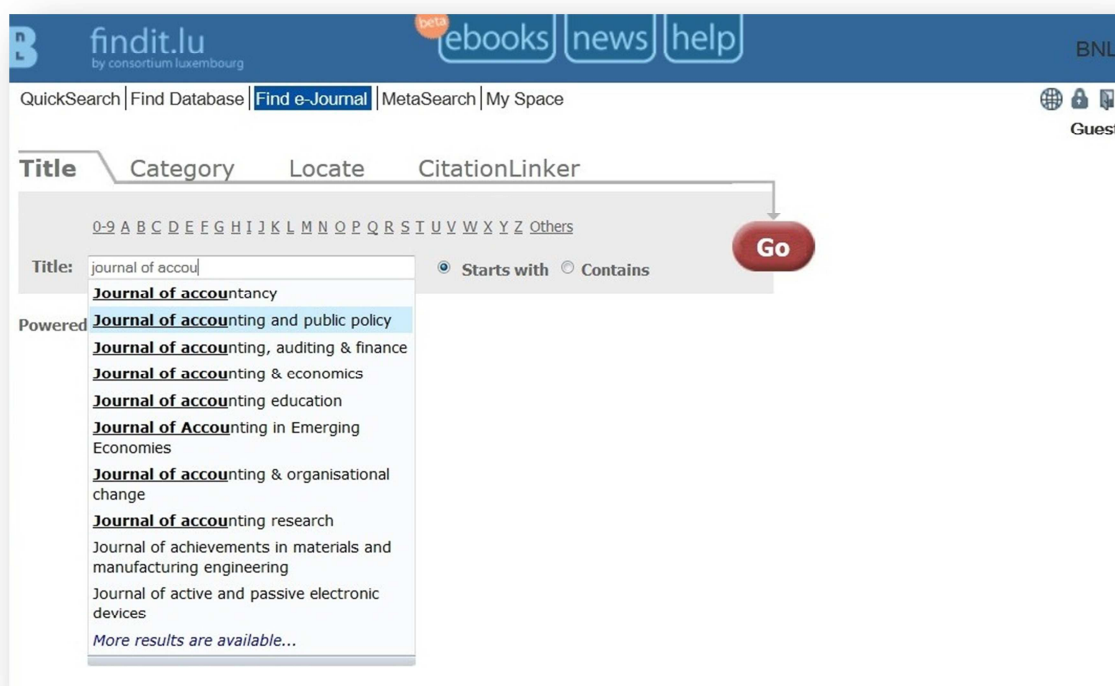
Once you put the portal into the language of your choice (I will use English), you will see a menu in the top-left hand side of the screen:



Click on the "Find e-Journal" menu option.



Next, enter the beginning of a journal name (notice the 'Starts with' option), for example, 'Journal of Accounting and Economics'. You will see that the system provides you with a list of possible matches as you type:



The screenshot shows the findit.lu search interface. The header includes the logo 'findit.lu by consortium Luxembourg' and navigation links for 'ebooks', 'news', and 'help'. The main navigation bar contains 'QuickSearch', 'Find Database', 'Find e-Journal', 'MetaSearch', and 'My Space'. The user is logged in as 'Guest'. The search bar is set to 'Title' and contains the text 'journal of accou'. Below the search bar, there are radio buttons for 'Starts with' (selected) and 'Contains'. A red 'Go' button is positioned to the right of the search bar. A dropdown menu is open, displaying an alphabetical list of search results starting with 'Journal of accountancy'. The list includes various journal titles related to accounting and finance. The text 'Powered by' is visible on the left side of the dropdown menu.

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Title: journal of accou

Starts with  Contains

Go

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- Journal of accountancy**
- Journal of accounting** and public policy
- Journal of accounting**, auditing & finance
- Journal of accounting** & economics
- Journal of accounting** education
- Journal of Accounting** in Emerging Economies
- Journal of accounting** & organisational change
- Journal of accounting** research
- Journal of achievements in materials and manufacturing engineering
- Journal of active and passive electronic devices
- More results are available...

Choose the entry you want and click the “Go” button. The system will show you an alphabetical list starting from the name you chose:

The screenshot shows the findit.lu search interface. At the top, there is a navigation bar with 'findit.lu by consortium Luxembourg', 'beta ebooks news help', and 'BNL'. Below this, there are links for 'QuickSearch', 'Find Database', 'Find e-Journal', 'MetaSearch', and 'My Space'. The user is logged in as 'Guest'. The search results are displayed in a table with columns for 'Journal title', 'ISSN', and 'Actions'. The search criteria are 'Title: journal of accounting and' and 'Starts with' is selected. The results list several journal titles, including 'Journal of accounting and public policy', 'Journal of accounting, auditing & finance', 'Journal of accounting & economics', 'Journal of accounting education', 'Journal of Accounting in Emerging Economies', 'Journal of accounting & organisational change', 'Journal of accounting research', 'Journal of achievements in materials and manufacturing engineering', and 'Journal of active and passive electronic devices'.

Journal title	ISSN	Actions
<a href="#">Journal of accounting and public policy</a>	0278-4254	<a href="#">i</a> <a href="#">findit.lu</a> <a href="#">+</a>
<a href="#">Journal of accounting, auditing &amp; finance</a>	0148-558X	<a href="#">i</a> <a href="#">findit.lu</a> <a href="#">+</a>
<a href="#">Journal of accounting &amp; economics</a>	0165-4101	<a href="#">i</a> <a href="#">findit.lu</a> <a href="#">+</a>
<a href="#">Journal of accounting education</a>	0748-5751	<a href="#">i</a> <a href="#">findit.lu</a> <a href="#">+</a>
<a href="#">Journal of Accounting in Emerging Economies</a>	2042-1168	<a href="#">i</a> <a href="#">findit.lu</a> <a href="#">+</a>
<a href="#">Journal of accounting &amp; organisational change</a>	1832-5912	<a href="#">i</a> <a href="#">findit.lu</a> <a href="#">+</a>
<a href="#">Journal of accounting research</a> [View journal history for additional full text]	0021-8456	<a href="#">i</a> <a href="#">findit.lu</a> <a href="#">+</a>
<a href="#">Journal of achievements in materials and manufacturing engineering</a>	1734-8412	<a href="#">i</a> <a href="#">findit.lu</a> <a href="#">+</a>
<a href="#">Journal of active and passive electronic devices</a>	1555-0281	<a href="#">i</a> <a href="#">findit.lu</a> <a href="#">+</a>

If however, you don't know the exact name of the journal, enter the part of the name that you do know, choose the 'Contains' option and click on the "Go" button. The system will now present a list of all the journal titles which contain the word (or part of the word) that you entered:

The screenshot shows the findit.lu search interface. At the top, there is a navigation bar with 'findit.lu by consortium Luxembourg', 'beta ebooks news help', and 'BNL'. Below this, there are links for 'QuickSearch', 'Find Database', 'Find e-Journal', 'MetaSearch', and 'My Space'. A search bar contains the text 'geographic' and a 'Go' button. The search results are displayed in a table format, showing the journal title, ISSN, and actions. The results are filtered by 'Title Starts with: Acta - Onli \* Proc - Trop'.

Journal title	ISSN	Actions
<a href="#">Acta geographica</a> [View journal history for additional full text]	0356-729X	
<a href="#">Acta geographica Debrecina. Landscape &amp; environment series</a>	1789-4921	
<a href="#">Acta geographica Slovenica</a> [View journal history for additional full text]	1581-6613	
<a href="#">Acta geologica et geographica Universitatis Comenianae. Geologica</a> [View journal history for additional full text]	0567-7491	
<a href="#">African geographical review</a> [View journal history for additional full text]	1937-6812	
<a href="#">The American Geographical Society's focus on geography</a> [View journal history for additional full text]	1549-4934	
<a href="#">Australian geographic</a>	0816-1658	
<a href="#">Australian geographical studies</a> [View journal history for additional full text]	0004-9190	

To go to a journal, click on the findit.lu- button. The system will display a list of access options which you can click on to get access to your chosen journal. Remember to allow pop-up windows in your browser.

The screenshot displays the findit.lu website interface. At the top, there is a navigation bar with the logo 'findit.lu by consortium luxembourg' and links for 'ebooks', 'news', and 'help'. Below this, a search bar is visible with the text 'geographic' entered. A 'Go' button is positioned to the right of the search bar. The search results section shows a list of journals under the heading 'Journal title'. The first result is 'Acta geographica', followed by 'Acta geographica Debrecina. Landscape & environment se', 'Acta geographica Slovenica', 'Acta geologica et geographica Universitatis Comenianae. C', 'African geographical review', 'The American Geographical Society's focus on geography', 'Australian geographic', and 'Australian geographical studies'. A detailed view window is overlaid on the right side of the page, showing the details for the 'Australian geographic' journal. This window includes the source information 'Source: Australian geographic [0816-1658]', a list of actions such as 'Full text available via EBSCOhost Academic Search Premier', 'Print copy in Catalogue bibnet.lu', and 'Table of contents from EBSCOhost Academic Search Premier', and a copyright notice '© 2012 SFX by Ex Libris Inc. CrossRef enabled'.

## How do I find journals for my subject of interest?

Since there are many more journals than scientific databases on the market, in some cases you might don't know the name of a specific journal, but you would like get an overview of suiting journals to your subject.

Now we will see how to locate journals relevant to a particular subject.

Let's stay at the "find e-Journal"-area and click on the "Category" tab. You are presented with a list of categories. When you select a category (e.g. "Droit"), the sub-categories are displayed in the list on the right-hand side.



Select the sub-category which interests you (for example: Banking Law (5)) and click on the "Go" button. The system will display the list of journals relevant to your chosen subject. (Contrary to the Database categories, the e-Journal categories do not use the Dewey Decimal Classification)

The screenshot shows the findit.lu website interface. At the top, there are navigation links for 'ebooks', 'news', and 'help'. Below that, there are search options: 'QuickSearch', 'Find Database', 'Find e-Journal', 'MetaSearch', and 'My Space'. The user is logged in as 'Guest'. The main content area shows a search result for 'Banking Law' under the category 'Droit, législation'. A red 'Go' button is highlighted next to the search result. Below the search results, there is a table of e-Journals with columns for 'Journal title', 'ISSN', and 'Actions'.

Journal title	ISSN	Actions
<a href="#">Annual report / Payments System Board, Reserve Bank of Australia</a>	1442-939X	<a href="#">i</a> <a href="#">findit.lu</a> <a href="#">+</a>
<a href="#">Berkeley business law journal</a>	1548-7067	<a href="#">i</a> <a href="#">findit.lu</a> <a href="#">+</a>
<a href="#">Journal of banking regulation</a> [View journal history for additional full text]	1745-6452	<a href="#">i</a> <a href="#">findit.lu</a> <a href="#">+</a>
<a href="#">RB. Revue banque</a> [View journal history for additional full text]	1772-6638	<a href="#">i</a> <a href="#">findit.lu</a> <a href="#">+</a>
<a href="#">Revue de droit des affaires internationales</a> [View journal history for additional full text]	0295-5830	<a href="#">i</a> <a href="#">findit.lu</a> <a href="#">+</a>

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To access the journal, click on the findit.lu-button. A window will pop-up showing the access options which are available. For example, for the “Journal of banking regulation”, full text is available via Ebsco for articles published from 2005 until 4 months ago. Abstracts can also be viewed via Elsevier and a physical print copy is available in the bibnet.lu catalogue.

The screenshot shows the findit.lu website interface with a pop-up window displaying access options for the 'Journal of banking regulation'. The pop-up window lists the following options:

- Full text available via EBSCOhost Business Source Premier  
Available from 2005 until 2011
- Print copy in Catalogue bibnet.lu
- Abstract available in Elsevier Scopus  
Available from 2008
- Table of contents from EBSCOhost Business Source Premier  
Available from 2005
- Save reference
- Ask a BnL librarian via Feedback Form

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## Advanced search – How to find a journal by ISSN?

In some cases you might also know the ISSN of the specific journal you are searching for. The ISSN (International Standard Serial Number) is a standardized international code which allows the identification of any journal publication, including electronic journals. Let's say I would like to get access to volume 20 of the following journal:

“Ground water monitoring & remediation”  
Volume 20, Issue 4, November 2000  
ISSN: 1069-3629

Since I know the ISSN it will be very easy for us to find it since it is unique for each journal. Depending on your last step let's go or stay at the “find e-Journal”-area and click on the “Locate” tab. Type the ISSN into the provided field “ISSN” and click the “Go”-button.

The screenshot shows the findit.lu search interface. The top navigation bar includes 'ebooks', 'news', and 'help' buttons, along with a 'beta' badge and 'BNL' text. Below the navigation bar, there are tabs for 'QuickSearch', 'Find Database', 'Find e-Journal', 'MetaSearch', and 'My Space'. The 'Find e-Journal' tab is active, and the 'Locate' sub-tab is selected. The search form contains the following fields and options:

- Title:** A text input field.
- ISSN:** A text input field containing '1069-3629'.
- Search criteria:** Radio buttons for 'Starts with' (selected), 'Contains', and 'Exact'.
- Vendor:** A dropdown menu with options: ACM Digital Library, AIP Scitation, American Chemical Society, American Physical Society, and Atypion link.
- Category:** A dropdown menu with options: Affaires, économie et gestion; Arts et sciences humaines; Bibliothéconomie et sciences de l'information; Chimie; and Droit, législation.
- Buttons:** A 'clear' button and a prominent red 'Go' button.

Below the search form, the results are displayed:

Search results for:  
ISSN: 1069-3629

Total number of e-Journals: 1  
Switch to Detail View

Journal title	ISSN	Actions
<a href="#">Ground water monitoring &amp; remediation</a> additional full text]	1069-3629	[View journal history for] [i] [findit.lu] [+]

At the bottom left, there is a 'Back to top' link.

You will see that there is only the journal we searched for within our result list. Click on the findit.lu-button to see if we can access the journal.





**Source:** Ground water monitoring & remediation [1069-3629]

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Available from 2005  
Most recent 1 year(s) not available

 [Full text available via](#) Wiley Online Library 2010 Full Collection  
Available from 1997 volume: 17 issue:1

 [Abstract available in](#) Elsevier Scopus  
Available from 1993

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In this case full text is available via two different platforms: EBSCOhost and Wiley Online Library. Since we would like to read an issue from 2000, we will choose the link to Wiley's portal where content is available from 1997. Full text on EBSCOhost will start from 2005.

Find out more about the findit.lu-button in our **Episode 6 "How to access an article"**.

In the [next Episode 9, we will search for available e-books](#).

List of all Episodes: <http://blog.findit.lu/help>