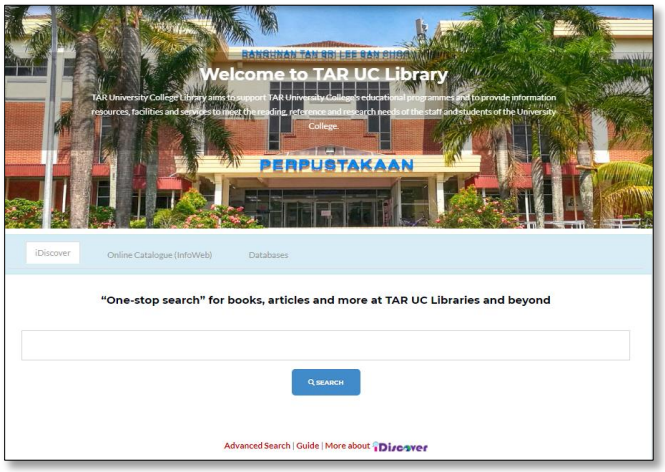
iDiscover Quick Guide

Introduction

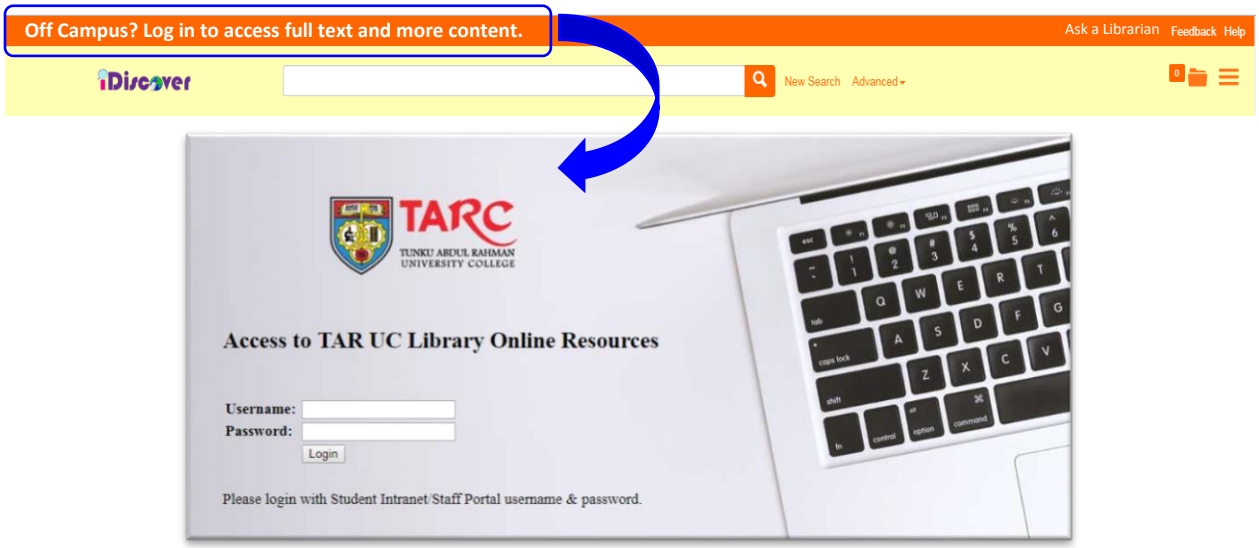
iDiscover is the Library search interface which is powerful as Google, but retrieves reliable results. You may access to books, online databases, e-journals and many more via a *single search box*.

- It is accessible via Library Homepage (*http://www.tarc.edu.my/library/index.jsp*)



Off-campus users

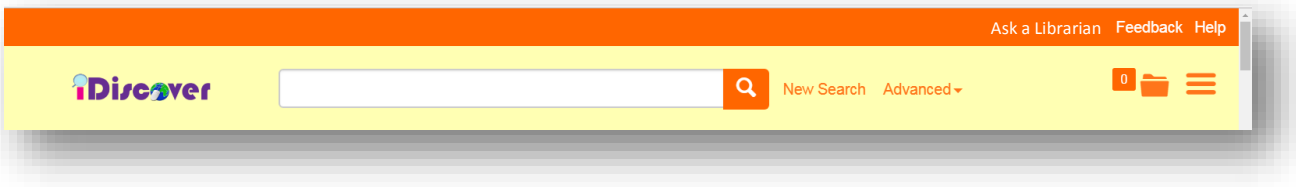
- One-time login via the banner is required in order to access the full results of subscribed contents in iDiscover.
- Login credentials are the same as Student Intranet / Staff Portal username & password.



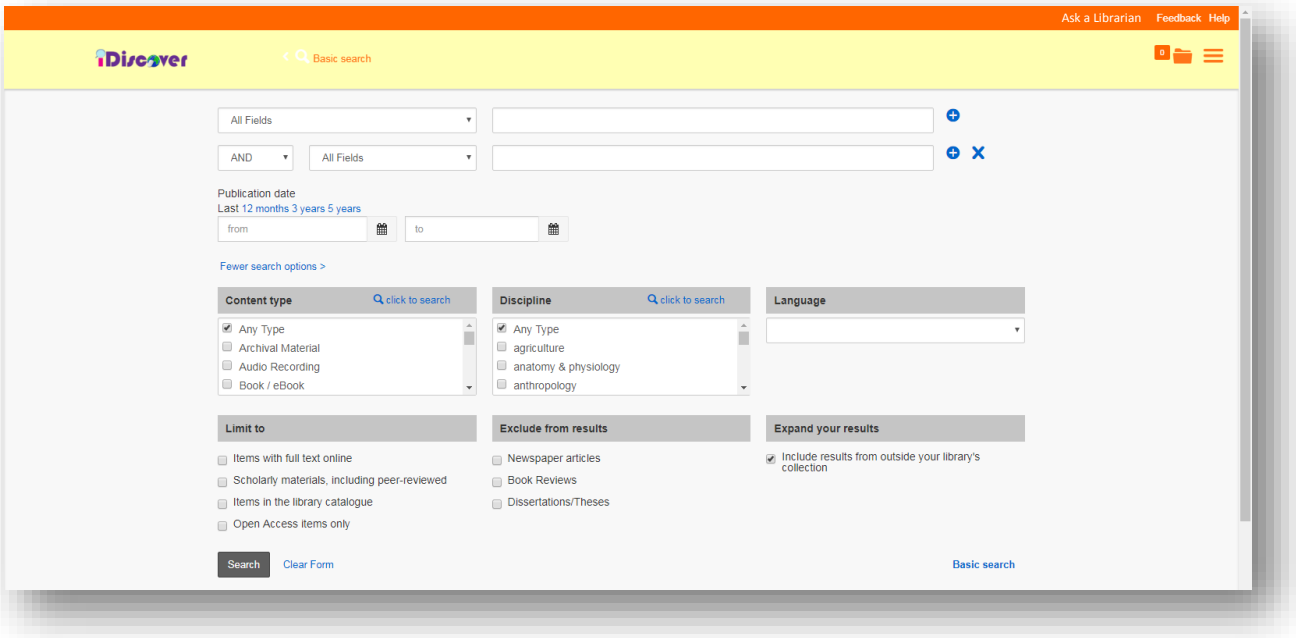
Start a search

Enter keywords into the *basic search box* or you may select *advanced* for an expanded search box.

Basic Search Box



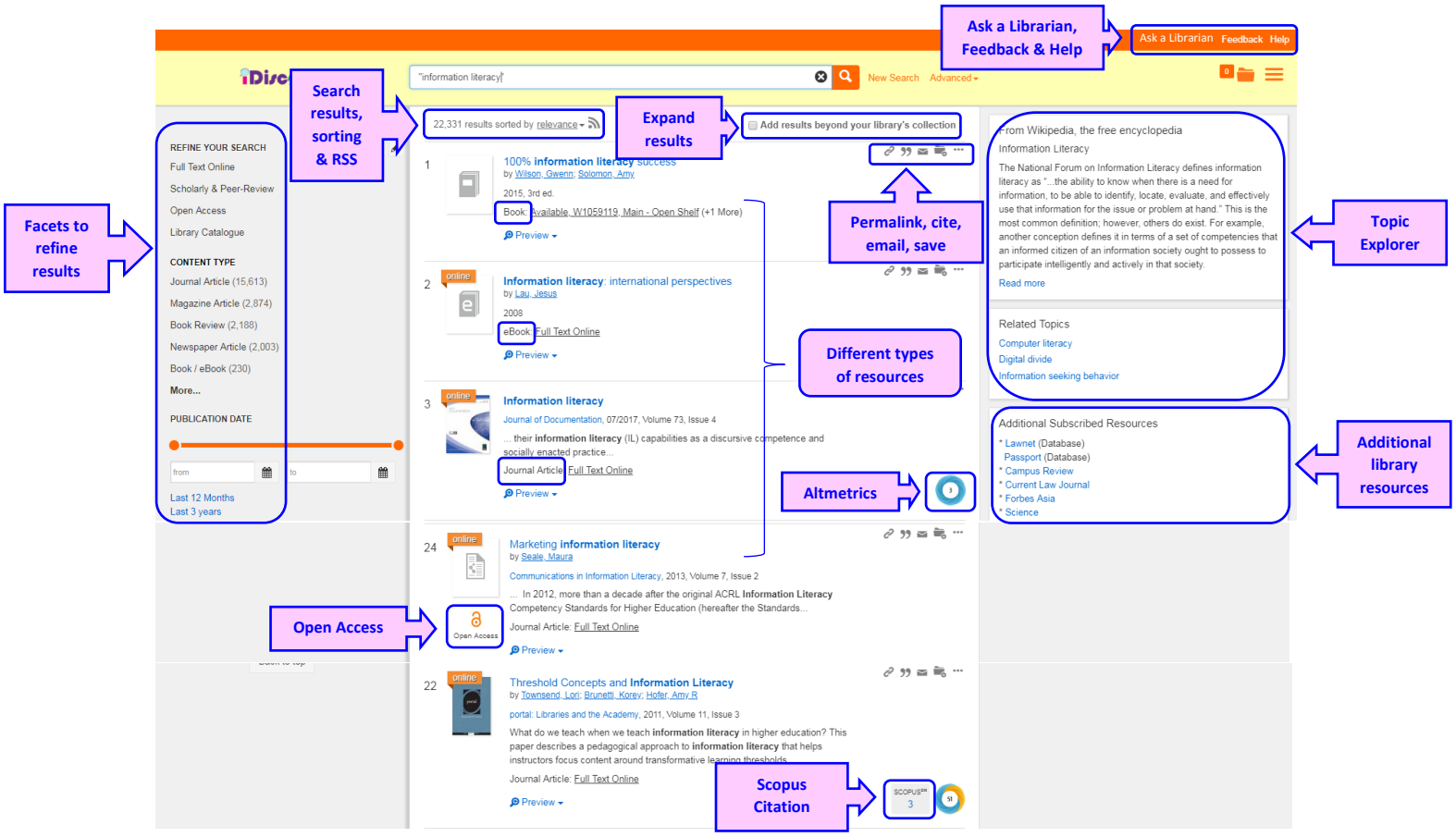
Advanced Search Box



Search Tips

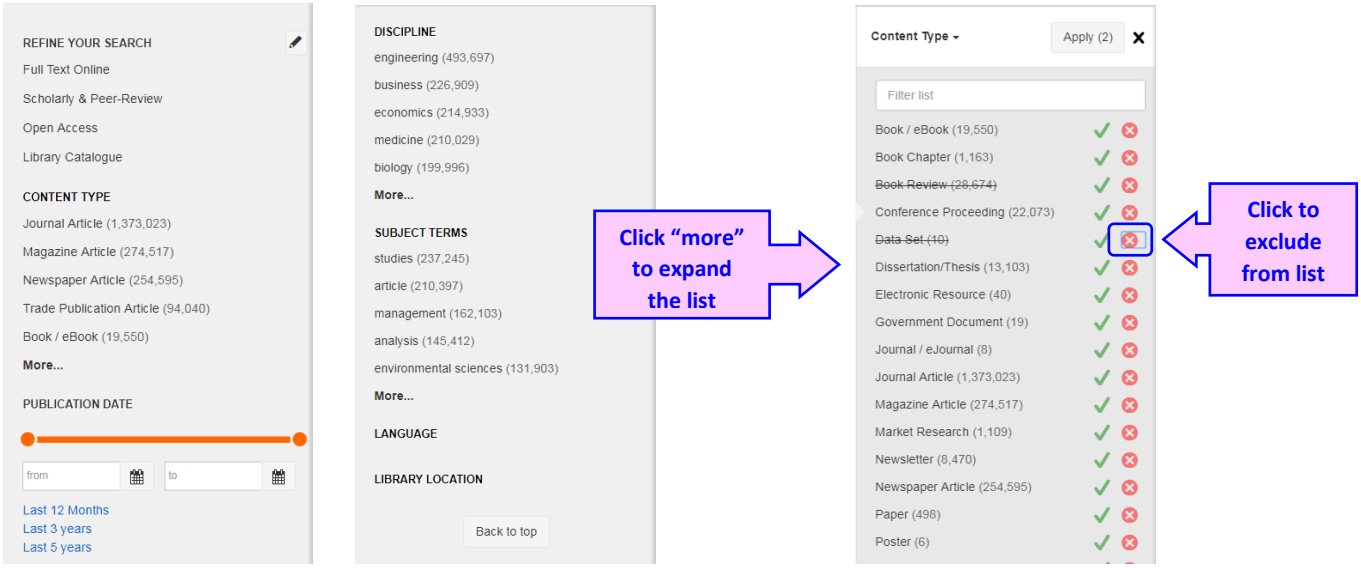
- Phrase searching – use quotation marks (“ ”) to find a journal title or exact match of terms.
- Use Boolean operators – AND, OR, NOT (must be in ALL CAPS)
- Use wildcards characters – use question mark (?) to replace one character and use asterisk (*) to match zero or more characters in a word. (*note: Wildcards cannot be used as the first character of a search*)

Results page



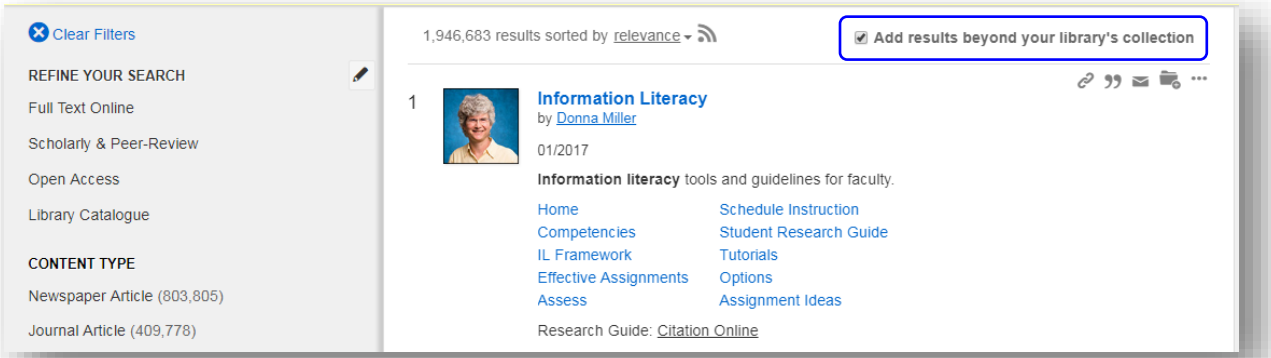
Refine search results

- Filter your search results using the facets on the left panel.
- Besides refining results by *Full Text Online*, *Scholarly & Peer-Review*, *Open Access* and *Library Catalog*, you may also filter the results by *Content Type*, *Publication Date*, *Discipline*, *Subject Terms*, *Language* and *Library Location*.



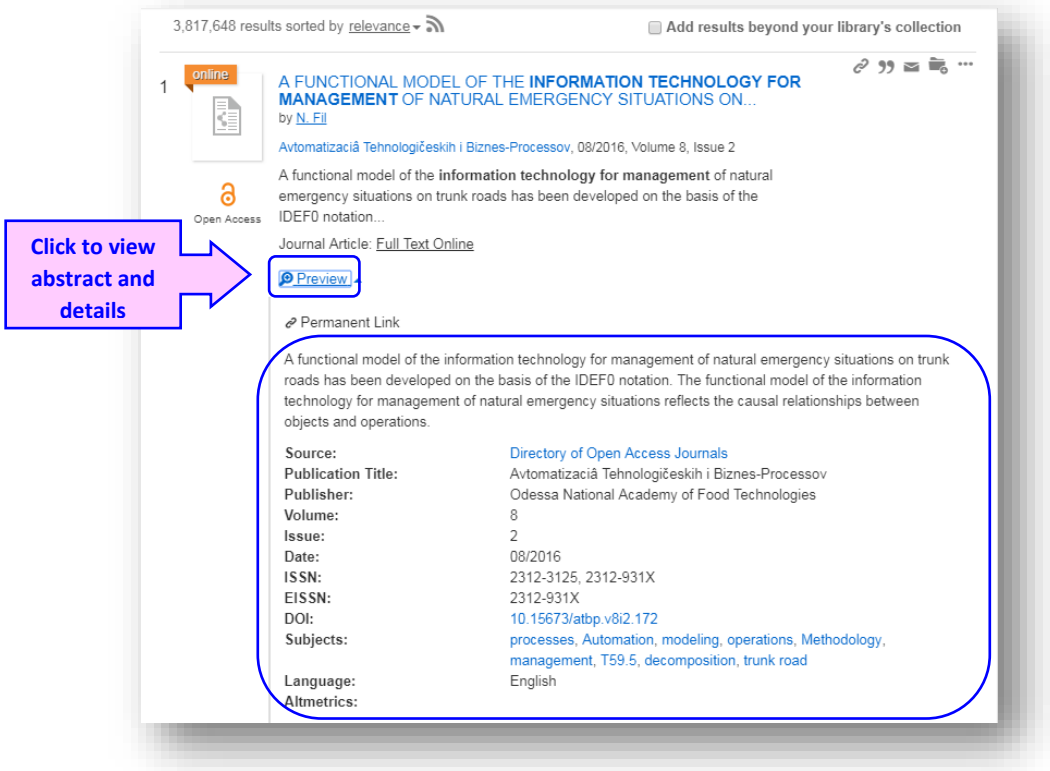
Expand search results

- Select *Add results beyond your library's collection* to include *citation only* and *unsubscribed contents* from Discovery tool Index.
- User can request item which is not available in TAR UC Library via *Interlibrary Loan and Document Delivery Service*.

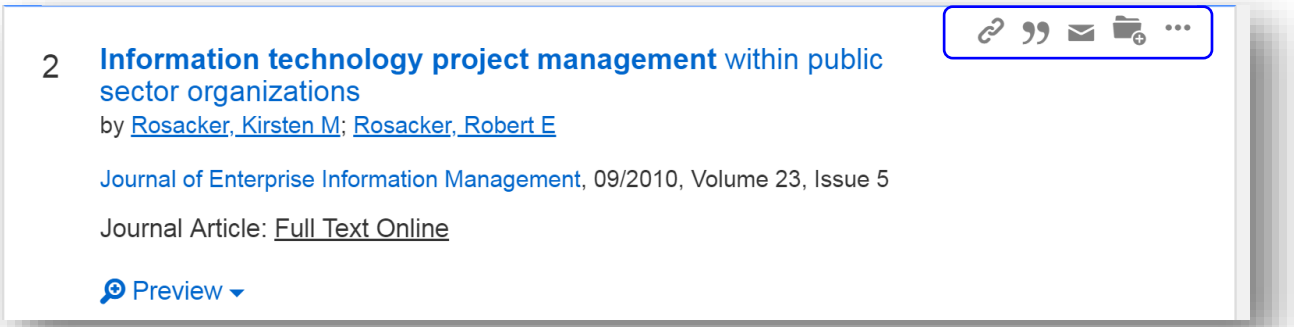


Features highlights

Content Preview



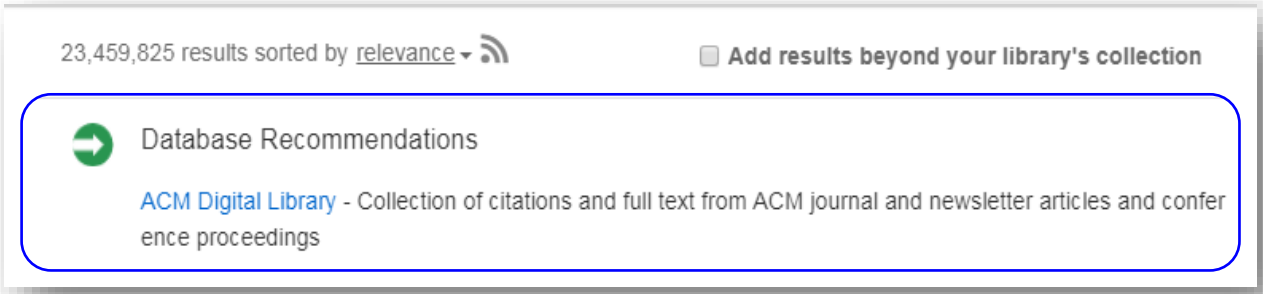
Permalink, Cite, Email, Save to Cart & Export



- You may copy and share the permalink, cite / print /email citation, save item into cart and export citations to reference managers.

Topic Explorer & Related Topics

Database Recommender



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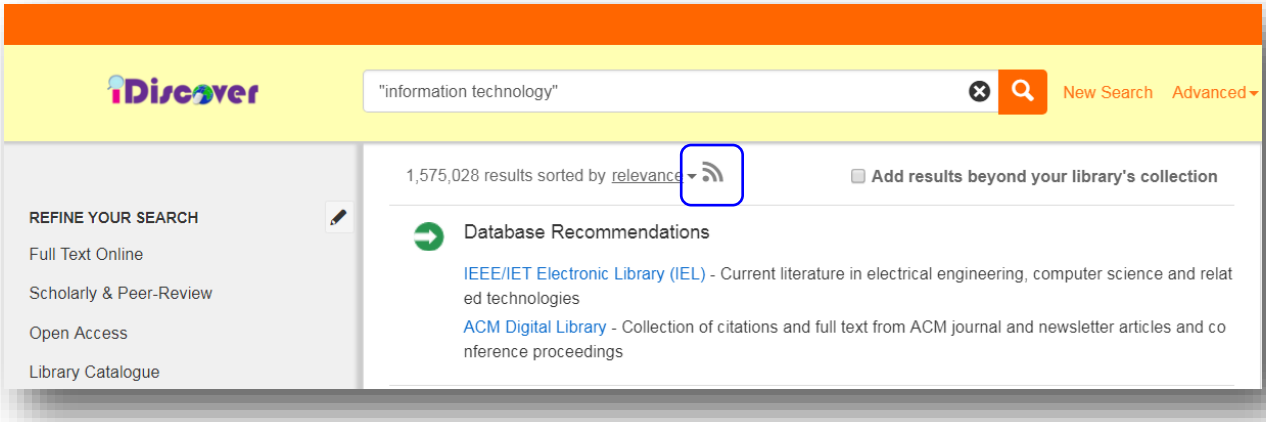


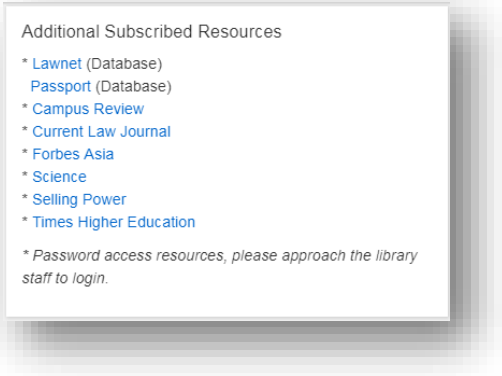
Altmetrics badges

- Altmetric badges display information about an article's scholarly impact as expressed through online, social media and news mentions.

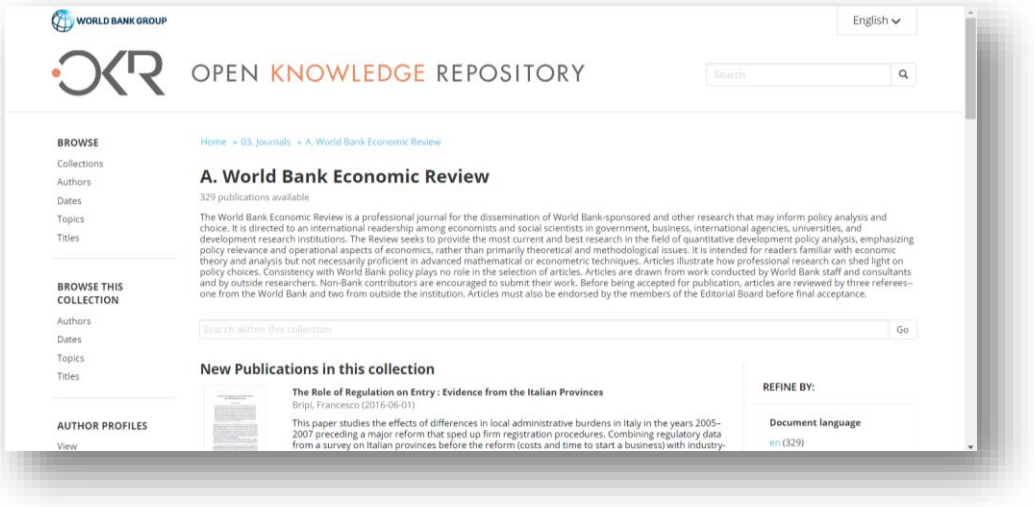
Scopus citation counts

- Click the citation counts to see the citation details in Scopus.

Additional Subscribed Resources



Open Access Resources



Ask a Librarian

- Use the Ask a Librarian chat service for assistance with Library resources and research or for general Library enquiries.

Feedback

- Any feedback about iDiscover is welcomed as this will enable us to improve the service.

Help

- Click *Help* to display *Search Query Guide*.