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BIBLIOGRAPHIQUE DE LA PHILOSOPHIE

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Access – general information

IPB is available via a link on the homepage of Peeters Online Bibliographies (POB) [http://pob.peeters-leuven.be]. The language of the online version is English.

Access to IPB full edition is by subscription only. This also gives access to the IPB retrospective database.

IPB retrospective:

Period covered: 1984 (vol. 36) – 1996 (vol. 48)
Earlier volumes will be included over time
Fixed reproduction of the data in the print version of IPB (no links between references). The identification number at the top of the detailed information includes the year and number in the volume (e.g.: 1985000753 = record 753 of 1985 [vol. 37])
Version limited to a simple or combined search by: author, title, journal name, series name, year of publication, document type.

IPB full edition:

Period covered: 1997 – date noted on homepage
Updated 4 times per year
Complete version featuring key words, links between references, links to library catalogues (SFX) and links to online documents (using DOI).

This guide is for IPB full edition, but some elements will also be useful for IPB retrospective.

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The Interfaces

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Description of the search interface and its different buttons, links, scroll-down menus, etc.

1. “Search” interface

![Search interface buttons: Search, Browse contents, Personal record shelf]

enables users to move from one operation on to another (greyed out = operation in progress)

- Search: search by criteria or filters
- to add and to clear criteria/filters; to use several criteria at once

- Browse contents: search by browsing a list of themed sections (=IPB Contents): scroll through the subsections to obtain a list of authors or references

- Personal record shelf: contains saved search results (user must be logged in)

- help with indexes and search filters

- search only new records

- search, clear

tick this box to obtain only references added since the last update (about 3 months): useful to update a bibliography in progress.

[NB: “new record” may refer to old publications that were not previously listed as well as to recent publications.]

- “search” to start search
- “clear” to clear previous search criteria and start a new search.

-below the box:

- Help: direct link to this guide

- Terms of use: conditions for use of POB databases

- Contact information: for questions and comments relating to the database.

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2. “Search results” interface

- Sort by: reference

- to sort the list of results:

- By default: sort by record identification number (reverse order of data entry)

- Sort by reference: sort in alphabetical order

- Sort by type, then reference: sort according to *type of document* (books, then articles, then reviews) and then in alphabetical order of references (author or title for multi-authored volumes)

- Sort by date ascending/descending: sort by *date of publication*.

[NB: undated documents appear at the top of the descending order, but are usually old documents (titles of mainly older historical works).]
Select from the list of results:
Tick to select elements (or tick “select all”) then:

- **with selection do:**
  - **select all/invert:** select/deselect all elements.
  - **collapse:** return to brief record
  - **expand:** click to see more details
  - **add to shelf:** add to user’s personal list of search results (must be logged in)
  - **print short/details:** creates a print-ready document with either brief or full references.
  - **email shorts/details:** email the list of selected elements to the address indicated (the default address is that of the person logged in)

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Click on [IPB] to return to the search interface
Click on [ ] to return to the bibliographies homepage (for example to search in “IPB retrospective”).
[NB: quit “personal record shelf”]

**top right:**
- [sign out]: to quit an open session (see Personal record shelf)
- [email all query results]: to send all search results to a chosen address (default is the address of the person logged in), with the option of abridged title or detailed record (for more than one title first go to “with selection do…”).
- [print all query results]: to print all the results of a search, with the option of abridged title or detailed records (for more than one title go to “with selection do…”).
- [change view options]: to change the way results are displayed (more results shown at once, reference in short or detailed form).

**The Records**

Three types of record

1. **Book record**: indicated by *
   1.1. Authored **monograph or edition**: (author, abridged title, translator/editor – if author is dead)

Detailed record: Name of author, forename(s) in full, full title with any subtitle, series, translators, editors (etc.), place of publication, publisher, date of publication, number of pages, size, price, DOI, ISBN.

Additional information:
- authors/standardised names of authors (with dates)
- **language/language(s) of publication**
- **subject**: key words, historical works and *subject of commentary* references, proper names
- **commentary/commentaire**: link to records of publications *commenting on* this reference

[NB: use this feature to follow a discussion between several authors or a chain of commentaries]
- **reviews**: link to records of reviews of this book
- **SFX**: link to catalogues of libraries near the subscribed institution
- **ี้ does this record contain errors?**: to notify us of an error: suggested corrections are integrated as part of the next update

1.2. **Edited volume** (abridged title, editor) and **special issue of a journal** (abridged title, editor / abridged title, name of journal and issue number)

*Detailed record*: the same elements as for monographs, plus:

*Additional information*:
- **Contents**: list of all the contributions and editors (if identified) or of the journal issue, with links to the records
- **Issue information** (full name, vol., date, issue) with links to all articles and reviews in that issue

2. **Article record** (author, abridged title)

2.1. **Journal article**

*Detailed record*: Author’s surname, given name(s) in full, full title with any subtitle, full name of the journal, volume, year, issue, article page numbers, summary (identified in the language it appears in: abstract, summary, resumen, riassunto, etc.).

*Additional information*: as for book records, plus:
- **Issue information** (full name, vol., year, issue) with links to all articles and reviews for that issue
- **Full text link** (full text for subscribed institutions only) via the DOI (digital object identifier)

2.2. **Contribution to an edited volume**

*Detailed record*: Author’s surname, given name(s) in full, full title with any subtitle, followed by the brief record of the edited volume, article page numbers, summary (identified in the language it appears in: abstract, summary, resumen, riassunto, etc.).

*Additional information*: as for book records, plus:
- **Published in**: link to the complete record for the edited volume


*Detailed record*: as brief record

*Additional information*:
- **Book reviewed**: link to the complete record for the book being reviewed
- **Issue information** (full name, vol., year, issue) with links to all articles and reviews in that issue
- **Full text link** (full text only for institutions which have subscribed to the journal) via the DOI (digital object identifier)
- **Reviewers**: standardised full name of the review’s author

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Search – search the indexes

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Search = search by successive criteria or filters linked by “and” or “but not” and refined by “search as” for some criteria.

Filters:

Personal names: names of all real, non-fictional people appearing in the bibliographic records.

Different forms of the same name are all linked to the “standardised” name [e.g. Soloviov and Solov’ëv are linked to the standardised name “Soloviev”].

Greek and Latin authors of ancient and patristic philosophy are listed under the Latin name by which they are known (e.g. Aristoteles, Cicero, Augustinus). Mediaeval authors are listed by the Latin form of their given name (e.g. Aegidius for Giles, Gilles, Egidio, etc.; Joannes for Johannes, John, Jean, etc.). Some Arab and Jewish authors of the Middle Ages are listed under the Latin name by which they are known (e.g. Ibn Sinâ = Avicenna; Ibn Rushd = Averroes).

Links between the synonyms enable users to search by any form of the name: searching ‘Gilles de Rome’ provides the same results as ‘Aegidius Romanus’.

Search as

all primary literature: all the references in which the person plays an active part (book by, article by)

or choose a specific role:

Authors: writer, interviewer or interviewee, co-author

Collaborators: author of the preface, postface or introduction, indexer, etc.

Editors: academic editor of a text, conference proceedings or specialist journal, the compiler, organiser of the volume, etc.

Translators: translator of the whole or part of a volume or article.

Reviewers: critic, author of a review

secondary literature: all references in which the person (or their work) is an object of study

Title:

All searches are case-blind. A search using several words will obtain references containing all those words. A search using words in inverted commas will obtain references containing the precise words in inverted commas. A minus sign (-) in front of a word eliminates references containing that word.

Search as

all: published works and historical works

only historical works

Subject: subject in the sense of object of study or commentary

Search as:

Personal names (see above)

Keywords: list of technical, historical and cultural terms relating to philosophy

Historical works: titles of historical works, objects of studies and commentary. “Historical work” refers to the title of written text, independent of publication or translation [e.g. “Kritik der reinen Vernunft” (Kant) / “Metaphysica” (Aristoteles)]. The title is given in the original language (in transcription for non-Latin characters), with the exception of titles in Ancient Greek, which are given in Latin [e.g. “Respublica” (Plato)]. Titles in languages other than English, French, German, Italian, Portuguese or Spanish are followed by an English translation. Some titles in Arabic or Hebrew are followed by the Latin title by which the work is known [e.g. “Maqâla fî ’l-nafs [=De anima]” (Avicenna)].
ISBN: identifying number comprising 10 or 13 digits separated by hyphens (the EAN code without hyphens must be converted to ISBN for searches)

Language: language(s) of publication
Choose one (or several) specific language(s) from the list of languages. Searching two languages at once (e.g. language “Arabic” + and language “French”) will find bilingual editions. Publications in more than two different languages that received ISBN numbers before 2013, and international publications in a mix of languages are listed as “multilingual”.

Periodicals: name of the journal publishing the searched article or specialist issue
For a truncated search: start with % (e.g. %Philosophica finds titles starting with Philosophica, Philosophical and Acta Philosophica)

For a series-based search, use a twin search (necessary in cases of the same name for different elements): search the name of the publishing house “and” the name of the series.

Publication date: search for references with a publication date that is the same as/before/after a specific year.

Type of document: enables searches including all documents or books only (monography or edited volume), articles only (in journals and/or edited volume) or reviews only.
  article: an article published in a journal or as part of a multi-authored volume
  book: authored monograph, edited volume, special issue of a journal, title of a historical work
  review: book review

Browse contents

Browse contents: search by browsing a list of categories (= IPB Contents): scroll through the subsections to obtain a page of results: list of references for general studies (via “general studies”) or works by/on an author chosen from the “authors” list. The page of results is similar to that obtained via “Search”.

Personal record shelf

Personal record shelf: enables users to save identified search results and return to them later.
The homepage provides a list of saved references (via “add to shelf” in the results page of a search).
To remove an element from the list, click on .

Use at the bottom of the list to move to the active mode of the results page, where, as with search results, users can sort, select and open detailed records, print, email or delete them, etc. (see results page).
IPB Contents

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GENERAL HISTORY

ANTIQUITY

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From Socrates to Aristotle (general studies - authors)
Hellenistic philosophy (general studies - authors)
Late antiquity (general studies - authors)

MIDDLEAGES

General studies
Greek Fathers and Byzantine Thought (general studies - authors)
Latin Fathers (general studies - authors)
Pre-13th century (general studies - authors)
13th century (general studies - authors)
Post-13th century (general studies - authors)
Philosophy in Islamic lands (general studies - authors)
Jewish thought (general studies - authors)

FROM RENAISSANCE TO ENLIGHTENMENT

General studies
Renaissance and Humanism (general studies - authors)
17th Century (general studies - authors)
18th Century (general studies - authors)

19TH AND 20TH CENTURIES

General studies
19th Century (general studies - authors)
20th Century (general studies - authors)

NON-WESTERN TRADITIONS

General studies and comparative philosophy
Africa (general studies - authors)
China (general studies - authors)
India (general studies - authors)
Japan (general studies - authors)
Other countries (general studies - authors)

SYSTEMATIC PHILOSOPHY

INSTRUMENTS AND COLLECTIVE WORKS

bibliographies, dictionaries, journals, miscellanea, reports

INTRODUCTIONS

general studies, demarcation, method, teaching/publishing philos.

METAPHYSICS/ONTOLOGY

general studies, analytic ontology, metaphysics, philosophy of god

LOGIC

general studies, argumentation, classical logic, non-classical logic

THEORY OF KNOWLEDGE

general studies, hermeneutics, justification, knowledge, objectivity/subjectivity, scepticism, truth

PHILOSOPHY OF SCIENCE

general studies, causality, human sciences, natural science, realism-antirealism, science and society, scientific justification, scientific theory

PHILOSOPHY OF LANGUAGE

general studies, language, linguistics, meaning, pragmatics, sense-reference

PHILOSOPHY OF MATHEMATICS

general studies, particular studies
PHILOSOPHY OF NATURE
   general studies, cosmos, life, matter, space-time

PHILOSOPHY OF MIND AND ACTION
   general studies, action, cognition, consciousness, corporeity, emotion, freedom, human existence, mind, mind-body, person, psychological sciences

ETHICS
   general studies, moral judgment, moral life, moral theories, morality, norm foundation, responsibility, value, virtue

APPLIED ETHICS
   general studies, bioethics, business ethics, environmental ethics, professional ethics, sexual ethics

SOCIAL AND POLITICAL PHILOSOPHY
   general studies, community-society, democracy, economics, international relations, justice, liberalism, liberty-equality, national identity, political theories, politics, social action, social groups and minorities, social sciences, state

PHILOSOPHY OF LAW
   general studies, criminal law, logic and language of law, natural-positive law, rights

PHILOSOPHY OF CULTURE
   general studies, culture, technology

PHILOSOPHY OF ART
   general studies, aesthetic judgment, art-artwork, arts, literature

PHILOSOPHY OF RELIGION
   general studies, religion and society, religious belief, religious experience, theological issues

PHILOSOPHY OF HISTORY
   general studies, historical methodology, history

PHILOSOPHY OF EDUCATION
   general studies, education, teaching