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- ⇒ Help with literature searches on themes connected with the UN and the EU.
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- ⇒ Access to the bibliographic and full-text databases of the UN (e.g., ODS, UNTS) and the EU (e.g., ESO) as well as other databases of interest; databases and online resources licensed to the Freie Universität Berlin can be accessed free of charge by members of the FU and FU library users.
- ⇒ Library staff support in using the databases and online resources.
- ⇒ Introductory courses for users of the Documentation Center in working with the printed items, electronic resources, and databases of the UN and the EU.



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Documents and Publications by and about the UN and the EU

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United Nations Depository Library und European Documentation Centre (EDC)

The University Library of the Freie Universität Berlin has been a United Nations Depository Library since 1956, and has hosted a European Documentation Centre (EDC) of the European Union since 1963.

The Documentation Center UN-EU is thus part of the European Union information network and the worldwide system of United Nations Depository Libraries. At the Freie Universität Berlin it supports research, teaching, and study of European integration and topics relating to the international community and international politics. Furthermore, this contributes to making the work and fields of activity and institutions of the United Nations and the European Union more widely known to the general public.

The Documentation Center UN-EU collects publications and documents of these two international organizations as well as selected items published by specialized agencies of the United Nations system, the Council of Europe, the Western European Union, and the Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD). It holds one of the largest collections of source materials of the United Nations and the European Union in the region.



Using the Documentation Center UN-EU

The Documentation Center UN-EU has its own information desk, open shelves containing reference works, and workspaces for users. It is adjacent to the University Library reading room on the second floor.

The reference library of the Documentation Center UN-EU contains key publications of both organizations (primary literature) as well as numerous publications about the UN and the EU (secondary and tertiary literature), including handbooks, bibliographies, dictionaries of abbreviations and initialisms, address directories, and other reference works.

Four computer workstations are available to library patrons for searching the bibliographic and fulltext databases and accessing the online resources of the United Nations and the European Union. Search results — texts, lists of publications, etc. — can be saved to a USB flash drive or printed out.

Staff at the Documentation Center UN-EU will be glad to help you with literature searches on all themes relating to the UN and EU.

The Documentation Center UN-EU organizes regular introductory courses on using the databases and the primary literature of the UN and the EU. Dates and times of the courses are published in the online FU university calendar; the program is organized jointly by the University Library and ZEDAT.

Documents and Publications

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The **publications** of the UN and the EU can be located via the FU Catalog just like other journals or publications. These items can be borrowed or used in the reading room. The UN and the EU increasingly offer their publications in electronic form the majority of which require a license .

Both the UN and the EU organize their documents and publications in **databases** (bibliographic and fulltext databases); the majority can be accessed online. In addition there are other important databases for which a license is required. The University Library is authorized to access such databases.



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