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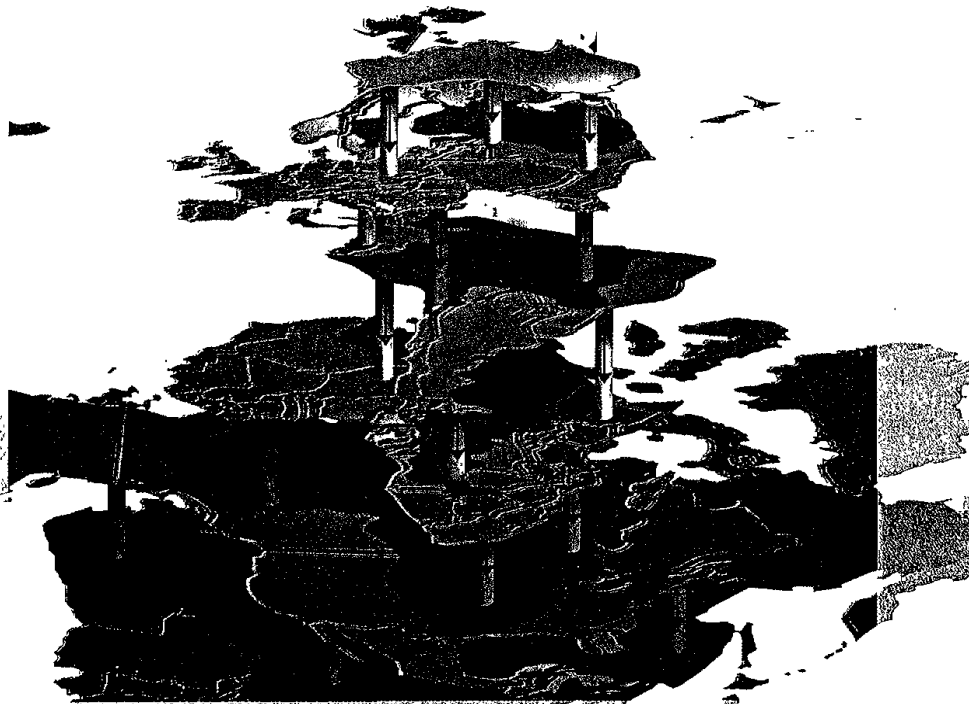
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Capacity building in information production, access and dissemination



The response to the launch of INASP's Programme for the Enhancement of Research Information (PERI) has been quite overwhelming. Through PERI, libraries and researchers across Africa are gaining access to current research results on an unprecedented scale. But the core of the programme is its four-fold approach: providing access to the information requested while training local communities in using it, and generating and disseminating their own publications.

With the pilot year just completed the programme will now be available full-scale in Africa and preparations for providing the opportunity of PERI in South East Asia and Latin America are at an advanced stage. INTAS, a Brussels-based international non-profit organisation that promotes scientific co-operation between its 30 member states and those of the former Soviet Union, has moved in to fund expansion of the programme to some of its target countries. Additional training components in eastern Europe and central Asia will be carried out with support from EC-INCO.

Notice Board

The INASP Newsletter Notice Board is a public forum for organisations and individuals wishing to advertise their projects, activities, offers or requests.

Short contributions can be sent to the editor at INASP.

Information revolutions

How information and communication management is changing the lives of rural people

CTA have just released a new publication on the impact of ICTs on rural communities in developing countries. Compiled by Paul Mundy and Jacques Sultan, the book is a collection of 40 success stories in the area of information and communication management. It explains how national and local organisations in Africa, the Caribbean and the Pacific are changing the way communication works, and how they are making a difference in the lives and livelihoods of rural people.

Those in ACP countries who have registered with CTA's publication Distribution Service may obtain this publication using their credit points and the CTA Publications order form.

*CTA publication, 2001. 241pp.
ISBN 92 9081 2289*

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The African Publishing Companion

A resource guide

Hans Zell, publishing consultant and editor of the African Book Publishing Record, has just published his long awaited resource guide to African publishing.

The 250-page guide is intended as a one-stop reference source facilitating access to a wide array of information relating to African publishing, providing quick answers to questions about the African book industries and their various players, organisations and publications involved.

Extensively cross-referenced and

including more than 1,000 email addresses as well as links to many Web sites, the publication pulls together a broad range of up-to-the-minute information previously only available through consultation of multiple sources or not available in print or online at all.

A bibliographic survey of literature on the key issues and topics that dominate African publishing today. Purchase of the publication comes with access rights to a fully searchable online version that will be updated frequently.

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