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ABSTRACTS

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TRACES OF CENSORSHIP IN "PRZEWODNIK BIBLIOGRAFICZNY" (POLISH NATIONAL BIBLIOGRAPHY). PUBLICATIONS FOR STAFF AND INTERNAL USE ONLY (1944-1988)

KEYWORDS: National bibliography. Censorship. Poland. "Przewodnik Bibliograficzny". Publications for staff use. Publications for internal use only.

ABSTRACT: **Objective** - The author discusses 1944-1953 and 1968-1988 editions of "Przewodnik Bibliograficzny" which include descriptions of books for staff and internal use only, prohibited from current national bibliography by Główny Urząd Kontroli Prasy, Publikacji i Widowisk (Polish Main Office of Control for Press, Publications and Public Shows). **Research method** - The analysis of source texts: "Przewodnik Bibliograficzny" volume 1/1955 (for staff use only) and several issues of "Przewodnik Bibliograficzny. Seria Uzupełniająca: Druki do Użytku Wewnętrzznego (Polish National Bibliography. Supplement: Publications for Internal Use Only)" published from 1969 to 1988. Bibliographic descriptions were analyzed with focus on topics, series titles and recipients. **Results and conclusions** - Due to their topics, publications "for staff/internal use only" were treated by Polish Main Office of Control for Press, Publications and Public Shows as subject to official secrecy and restricted access (low circulation, exclusion from public bookselling, manuscript form only). In the years 1969 to 1988 they were published mostly by research institutions and made 3 to 9% of total annual book production in Poland.

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**QUALITATIVE METHODOLOGY IN CONTEMPORARY INFORMATION SCIENCE.
SELECTED ASPECTS**

KEYWORDS: Qualitative research. Information science. Qualitative methodology. 21st century.

ABSTRACT: **Objective** – The author focuses on selected aspects of qualitative approach to research in information science (and - partly - in library studies), in particular on extended description of its most important features and trends in theoretical-methodological debate conducted *explicite* in foreign journals in English. **Research method** – The analysis and commentary of the literature in the field. The analyzed publications were selected from subject database LISTA (*Library, Information Science and Technology Abstracts*). **Results and conclusions** – Contemporary methodological explorations in qualitative research in information science follow various directions and the awareness of issues and conditions, including the epistemological and ethical ones, is considerably raised. Last two years witnessed the sudden increase in the number of qualitative empirical research projects.

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STANDARDS AND THEIR AVAILABILITY ON THE INTERNET

KEYWORDS: Standards. Information on standards. Catalogs of standards. Standards search engines

ABSTRACT: **Objective** - Traditional printed catalogs of standards are being replaced by databases. The author discusses search options available in the online databases of standards and attempts to evaluate their usability. **Research method** - The following databases were included in the research: Polish - PKN, eNormy.pl, European - CEN, CENELEC, ETSI and international - ISO, IEC. The usability of their search tools was evaluated on the basis of the analysis of their interfaces and methods they used for the display of search results. The comparison of the results of the analysis allowed the author to point the most friendly and useful tools. **Results/Conclusions** - Databases of standards, despite their advanced search options and possibilities of instant updates, have one very significant drawback - each standard organization provides information only on the standards published by that organization..

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**IMPACT OF THE INTERNET ON ACQUISITION OF MONOGRAPHS
IN MAIN LIBRARY OF THE UNIVERSITY OF TECHNOLOGY AND NATURAL SCIENCES
IN BYDGOSZCZ**

KEYWORDS: Acquisition of monographs. Internet bookshops. Virtual bookshops. Book market in Poland

ABSTRACT: **Objective** - The author discusses the impact of the Internet on the process of library acquisition as exemplified by the case of the Main Library of the University of Technology and Natural Sciences in Bydgoszcz. **Research method** - The article is based on the analysis of the literature in the field, source documents (websites) and the author's own experience and reflections on various aspects of library acquisition process. The author presents current situation and perspectives of the Internet market, limiting the discussion to the purchase of Polish books in the bookshops and excluding online auction websites and advertisement portals which also provide purchase options. The focus is put on the changes in the tools and methods of library acquisition and the influence of the Internet on traditional library collections. **Results and conclusions** - The evolution of the Internet has changed the methods of library acquisition. The Internet market complements traditional purchases, helps to retain the comprehensiveness of the library collections, influences the scope and availability of the book market offer and ensures competitiveness due to numerous companies selling publications. The purchase of library collections via Internet is not only an alternate method of purchase but more and more often it becomes the indispensable part of the library acquisition process.