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E - MAREFA

Creativity for Life

Arab e-Marefa Database  
“The Largest Arab Database”



# The Founder

## Foundation

Knowledge World Company for Digital Content was established in Jordan under the name of Knowledge World Center in 2004. And then it was owned by **Marefa** World Company in the year 2009. This is a company specialized in producing and providing knowledge and Arab digital content

In December 2011, **Marefa** database was launched officially and started offering its services to many various sectors (universities, research centers, public libraries, corporate, government, etc).

**Marefa** database provides services that meet the researcher's needs in different disciplines. These services include academic content that covers full texts on each of the following: academic and statistical journals, Theses and Dissertations, book reviews, research abstracts, and the electronic archive.

## Mission

Knowledge World is an Arab academic institution that provides and establishes information databases of high quality and professional principles in accordance with international standards and practices. This is in service of business sectors and academic research establishments in the Arab and international societies. Moreover, it aims to spread Arab knowledge to enhance its greatest contribution to Arab development and the interaction of civilizations in cooperation with success partners such as companies and staff members working in the information sector.

## Vision

To become the reference and first international resource for providing and exchanging various Arab electronic information databases in modern forms and high quality international standards.

## Marefa Objectives

**Marefa** Database aims to achieve the following goals:

- To provide the scientific and intellectual production in Arab countries and to facilitate the easy access for researches and Arab students in order to benefit from it.
- To open and develop communication channels and scientific cooperation between researchers and educational, scientific and economic institutions in the Arab world on one hand and various countries of the world on the other hand. This would contribute to strengthening the dialogue between cultures and civilizations and enhance the prospects for coexistence between them.
- To publicize and provide the intellectual and scientific inventory published in the Arab world to interested parties all over the world.
- To enhance the community and economy of knowledge in the Arab World.
- To enhance the possibilities of Arabic language in computerized contexts.
- To establish **Marefa** database as a survey tool for scientific research in the Arab World.



## E- Marefa Database Services

«Marefa» includes more than **1015** academic & statistical journals and Reports ( almost **100,000** articles in full text )

### Academic Journal

This service includes the provision of full texts of academic journals published in the Arab world in Arabic, English and French, which are issued by universities, research centers, Arab academic associations, regional and international organizations and others. The database contains more than **515** academic journals issued by 19 Arab counties.

### Periodic Statistical Reports

The service provides full texts of reports issued by Arab statistical departments, central banks and Arab financial markets. These reports provide data and statistical indicators of economic, financial, educational, social, political and demographic, scientific and technological fields and others. The database includes around **500** statistical reports from 19 Arab countries.

### Book Reviews

This is a service that provides summaries of recently published books in Arabic in various disciplines. In addition, writing and displaying these summaries in both Arabic and English in digital form. The Arab Electronic Database contains around **7500** book reviews.

### Dissertations & Theses

The **Marefa** database of Theses and Dissertations will provide full texts and synopses of dissertations/theses (Masters and PhD) completed at Arab universities in Arabic, English and French. The database of (Digital dissertations) contains data on theses issued by Arab universities in addition to synopses or full texts. This database includes approximately **11,000** theses and summaries. The number of theses and dissertations that will be available in full text will reach approximately **9000**.

### Research Abstract

This service provides more than **(50.000)** abstracts of academic articles which are available in **Marefa** database as follows: (1) Arabic abstracts of academic articles published in the English language; (2) English abstracts of academic articles published in the Arabic language; (3) English abstracts of academic articles published in the English language; (4) Arabic abstracts of academic articles published in the Arabic language



## Arabic Reviews for International Theses and Dissertations

**Marefa** will provide the abstracts in Arabic language of Masters and PhD theses and dissertations produced in English language from the top universities in foreign countries such as America, Canada and Britain, and this service is unique at the Arab and international level, It will provide approximately **5.000** abstracts in Arabic of theses and dissertations produced in English in the disciplines : (Human and Social Sciences such as Educational Sciences, Islamic Studies, Legal Sciences, Political Sciences, Media, Library and Information Science, Economic & Business Administration and others)

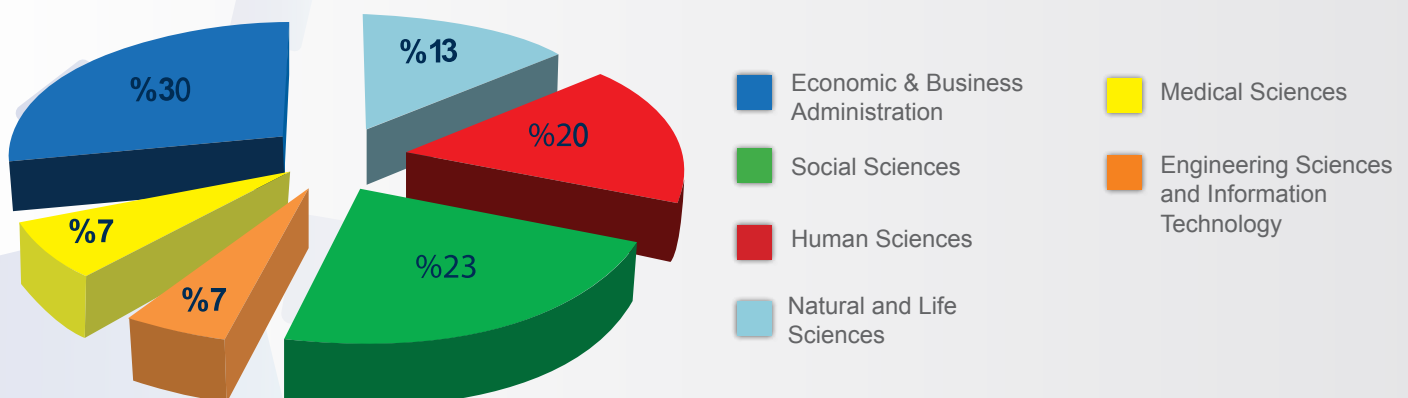
## Anti –Plagiarism service:

**Marefa** database will provide anti –Plagiarism service to the researches, articles, and theses, whether they are available in Marefa content (**190.000** records) or among what are published in Google or any other search engine. This service will provide a comprehensive report that shows and detect the similarity in texts among the plagiarized Arabic researches and theses.

## The Electronic Arabic List of Subject Headings «Marefa»:

Provides an interactive tool important in the Subject Cataloging process, it includes tens of thousands of established Subject Headings along with the equivalent of unestablished headings. It gives the user a comprehensive list of terms of human knowledge, and provides classification numbers in two universal systems (Dewey Decimal Classification System, the Library of Congress Classification System) in addition to being an intelligent and educational tool addressed to librarians in the field of Subject Cataloging, and it helps in the creation of Authority files as well as searching strategies in library catalogs, it will also serve the Arabic language through adding more new terms with synonyms to each term.

## The Disciplines and subject areas covered by the MAREFA Database





**1. Humanities:** The human sciences database contains **254** academic journals and statistical reports from 19 Arab countries.

- Subject coverage: (comparative literature, theology, history and geography, education, psychology, arts, languages and Library Science).

**2. Social Sciences:** The social sciences database contains **303** academic journals and statistical reports from 19 Arab countries.

- Subject coverage: (Media, politics, sociology, military sciences, and law).

**3. Economic & Business Administration:** The Economic and Business Administration database includes **390** academic journals and statistical reports from 19 Arab countries.

- Subject coverage: (Public administration, economics, commerce, marketing, finance and banking, accountancy)

**4. Engineering Sciences and Information Technology:** The Engineering Sciences Database includes **89** academic journals and statistical reports from 19 Arab countries.

- Subject coverage: (Materials science and metallurgy, telecommunications engineering, electrical engineering, civil Engineering, mechanical Engineering)

**5. The Natural and Life Sciences:** The Natural and Life Sciences Database includes around **163** academic journals and statistical reports from 19 Arab countries.

- Subject coverage: (Biology, mathematics, Geology, hydrology, ecology, zoology, astronomy, physics, chemistry, botany)

**6. The Medical and Health Sciences:** The medical sciences database includes **85** academic journals and statistical reports from 19 Arab countries.

- Subject coverage: (Pathology, nutrition and diet, nursing, public health, dentistry, medicine, psychiatry, pharmacology)

## Why Marefa?

### First: Magnitude and Modernity:

**Marefa** database contains:

- More than **1015** Academic journals and statistical reports issued by various bodies (universities, research centers, public statistical departments, central banks, scientific associations, regional organizations) in the Arab world in three languages which are Arabic, English and French.
- Marefa database provides **100.000** articles and statistical reports.
- **11.000** thesis and Summaries where as **9.000** is in full text .
- The availability of around **7,500** book reviews issued in the Arab World.
- This database involves around **275** universities, research centers, statistical apparatus and regional organizations in the Arab world in 19 countries. These bodies supply their journals and publications to **Marefa** database on regular and continuous basis.





## Second: Diversity and Comprehensive

**Marefa** database encompasses diverse disciplines and scientific specialties whereas each specialty has its own database as follows:

- Humanities
- Social sciences
- Natural sciences
- Engineering sciences
- Medical sciences, associated sciences, pharmacology and health sciences
- Economics, finances and business administration
- Library science, computer science and information technology
- Periodic statistical reports
- publications to **Marefa** database on regular and continuous basis.

## Third: MARC 21 Format for Bibliographic Data:

**Marefa** database utilizes MARC 21 Format for Bibliographic Data which is automatically read and comprehended between computers. Thus it meets the demands of the age of digital libraries. The computer system for Marefa database is equipped with MARC 21 Format which is an exceptional system in both the Arab World and internationally.

## Fourth: Modernity:

**Marefa** database covers the latest years of publications of various academic contents (journals, reports, and others ...), and work is underway to provide and index this academic material within a short period of publication.

## Fifth: Immediate results of relevance:

**Marefa** database provides search results relevant to meet the thematic requirements of researchers in various disciplines of scientific knowledge and in an immediate and rapid manner.

## Sixth: Ease of use:

**Marefa** database includes computer system and user interfaces that provide an easy and highly flexible interactive method of communication between the beneficiary and the system. The search process comprises a variety of determinants, and the ability to display the results and sort them in more than one way.

## Seventh: Access to reliable content at any time:

**Marefa** database ensures its users access to valuable and reliable scientific content that is provided directly from its original sources at any time and place and when direct access is required.



## Eighth: Overall quality:

**Marefa** database is subject to a series of scientific steps and a variety of quality assurance processes that aim to control and guarantee the quality of the content presented to the beneficiaries. This is achieved in line with the latest international scientific standards. This is also applied through either the technical procedures of indexing and objective analysis ... etc, or in terms of the service by focusing on providing high quality services that ensure the highest degree of satisfaction of the beneficiary.

## Partners

### Strategic Cooperation

The importance, magnitude and quality of this project, **Marefa** Arab Electronic Database, in addition to its high academic and technical status, has led one of the most prominent American and International companies in the field of Electronic publication, EBSCO, to establish a global partnership with it. This project provides its services in cooperation with EBSCO in around 200 countries in the world.

### Publishers

**Marefa** World Company has signed partnership and intellectual property agreements with around 275 bodies (universities, research centers, academic associations, government agencies, official statistical apparatuses, regional organizations and others) in 19 Arab countries to provide it with academic journals, dissertations, statistical reports and book reviews on regular basis.

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