

How to use the UNCCD library catalogue

General advice: As the search bar does not tolerate spelling mistakes, please always make sure to check your entry before validating to avoid coming up with empty search results.

Our catalogue offers the choice between three search modes: simple, advanced, and expert search.

The simple search

The simple search will give you the largest number of results for a general overview of the subject you searched for. Results will be listed by year with the latest on top.

The results are grouped according to the medium, to allow for further narrowing down. Click “Search” to view the results of your choosing.

Results overview			
Library catalogue	859 Results	Search 🔍	Refine ⚙️
- Books	478 Results	Search 🔍	Refine ⚙️
- Articles	195 Results	Search 🔍	Refine ⚙️
- Serials	27 Results	Search 🔍	Refine ⚙️
- Audio visual materials	21 Results	Search 🔍	Refine ⚙️

The advanced search

The advanced search allows for more specific results as you can combine several descriptors.

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Tweets by @UNCCDLibrary

UNCCD LIBRARY Retweeted

EU_ScienceHub @EU_ScienceHub

Soils are losing phosphorus, a vital plant nutrient, at an alarming rate globally. ⚠️ This could raise concerns for food production
Want to know more? Check

Search in: Library catalogue

Word(s) from the title / abstract: land degradation

Author: [dropdown menu]

Corporate author: [dropdown menu]

Publisher: [dropdown menu]

Subject term: [dropdown menu]

Geographical keyword: Algeria

ISBN: [input field]

ISSN: [input field]

Year: From [input field] To [input field]

Sort by: Unsorted Title Author Subject Year

Sort order: Ascending Descending

Search Clear

It is particularly well suited for the search of publications of specific authors, corporate authors or publishers as a drop-down menu will open in the respective search bar after typing just one letter. If you are unsure of the exact name of an author, this is the option for you!

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And you? #biodiversity #climatechange #forests #cities #Sustainability

These tiny urban forests could be a secret weapon against climate change

World Economic Forum

Search in: Library catalogue

Word(s) from the title / abstract: land degradation

Author: r

Corporate author: Raconteur

Publisher: Radford, Tim

Subject term: Radić, B.

Geographical keyword: Radicle Growth

ISBN: Radosavljević, Z.

ISSN: Radziemska, Maja

Year: Raga, Sherillyn

Sort by: Ragosta, M.

Sort order: Rahimi, Mohammad

Rai, Ashish

Search Clear

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You can then define how you want your results to be sorted, according to title, author, subject, and year. If you want the latest publications to appear first, sort by “Year” and choose “Descending” for your sort order.

The expert search

If you wish to combine several keywords, authors, or other descriptors, choose the expert search option. By clicking on the little “+”-Icon to the right of the search bar, another search bar will be added which you can define at wish. Add more search bars to fit your needs.

The screenshot shows the expert search interface. On the left, there is a sidebar with navigation options: 'Simple search', 'Advanced search', 'Expert search' (highlighted in orange), and 'UNCCD e-library'. Below this is a 'Tweets by @UNCCDLibrary' section. The main search area has a dropdown menu set to 'Library catalogue'. Below it, a search bar contains 'land degradation'. To the right of the search bar is a dropdown menu with 'and' selected and a '+' icon circled in red. Below the search bar, there are options for 'Sort by' (Unsorted, Title, Author, Subject, Year), 'Sort order' (Ascending, Descending), and 'Records per page' (15, 25, 50). At the bottom are 'Search' and 'Clear' buttons.

You also have the option to broaden your search by choosing “or” in the drop down menu under the search bar or to exclude terms to further refine your search in the same menu by choosing “and not”.

The screenshot shows the expert search interface with a second search bar added below the first one. The first search bar contains 'land degradation'. The second search bar is empty. The dropdown menu is open, showing options: 'and', 'and not', 'or', and 'and not'. The 'or' option is circled in red. Below the search bars, there are options for 'Sort by' (Unsorted, Title, Author, Subject, Year), 'Sort order' (Ascending, Descending), and 'Records per page' (15, 25, 50). At the bottom are 'Search' and 'Clear' buttons.

As with the advanced search, you can then define how you want your results to be sorted, according to title, author, subject, and year. If you want the latest publications to appear on top, sort by “Year” and chose “Descending” for your sort order.