

Financial Times Information Systems in South Africa

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This was a well attended talk and outlined the Financial Times products currently available in South Africa:

- FT Profile and
- FT Discovery.

FT Profile is an online information retrieval system which uses over 5000 international sources giving global coverage which is updated daily and has an archive of over 15 years of material. The sources include over 500 full text international papers including company reports, investment research, market research, country reports etc. from a variety of reputable sources such as Datamonitor, EIU, Frost & Sullivan etc.

FT Discovery is another online information service which is very user friendly and web based. It focuses mainly on company information, country information, market information and a news database. The company database includes over 10000 listed companies drawn from Extel, 250 000 unlisted companies from Jordans and the ICC stockbroker reports.

The country reports include lots of economic data such as exchange rates, inflation rates, Datamonitor reports and world news broadcasts.

Connection to the FT products is via the I-Net bridge solution - the I-Net intranet which guarantees speed, delivery and performance.