## **Current awareness with Historical Abstracts**

To access the database go to the Cambridge eresources page (<u>http://www.lib.cam.ac.uk/eresources</u>), click on the 'Databases' tab, and search for Historical Abstracts. If you are off-campus you will need to log in with your Raven account.

- Searches carried out in Historical Abstracts can be used to form the basis of a search alert. These alerts provide a means of receiving regular notification by email of any content in the database which matches your search criteria.
- It is possible to activate multiple separate search alerts. You can opt to receive alerts daily, weekly, biweekly, or monthly, and you can also set a date limit for articles returned (e.g. articles published within the last year).
- To set up search alerts it is necessary to create an account which you will then use to sign in and manage your alerts.
- A link in your alert email will take you through to the Historical Abstracts entry for each search result. From here you can search for Cambridge access using the 'find full text' link.

## How to set up search alerts

**1**. Carry out your search in Historical Abstracts. At the top right of the results list click on 'Alert / Save / Share'.



2. Click on 'Email Alert'.



3. Click on 'Sign In' (it is not possible to set up alerts without setting up an account).

Create Alert		
Search Alert: "TI origins first world war on 2013-05-13 10:38 AM"		
E-mail ( You must sign in to send e-mail alerts. Sign In )		
General Settings		
Frequency Once a day  Articles One Year  Done Year  Label St		
Results format Brief		
S RSS Feed		
http://rss.ebscohost.com/AlertSyndicationService/Syndication.asmx/GetFeed?guid=3624066		
Save Alert Cancel Alert		

**4.** If you already have a My EBSCOhost account fill in your details. If not click on 'Create a new Account'.

Sign In to My EBSCOhost
User Name
Password
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Forgot your password? Forgot your user name <b>and</b> password?

5. Fill in the form and click 'Save Changes' at the bottom. Then click 'Continue' when prompted.

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Secret Question	Used to help identify you
Secret Answer	]
Note: Please remember your account information	for future reference.
Save Changes Cancel	

6. You should now return to the 'Create Alert' window. Fill in your email address and adjust the settings for frequency of alerts, results format etc. as required. Then click on 'Save Alert'.

Create Alert @			
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E-mail to Separate each e-mail address with a semicolon. Leave E-mail to field blank if you do not wish to receive e-mail alerts.			
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Save Alert Cancel Alert			
Advanced Settings			

## Accessing full text articles

7. You will receive a regular email alert from EBSCOhost (according to the frequency you selected) containing details of any articles matching your search criteria. Links within the email will take you through to the Historical Abstracts entry for each article.

Alert Run Date: 05/14/2013 02:15:23 AM Alert Name: TI origins first world war on 2013-05-13 10:54 AM Database: Historical Abstracts Number of Hits: 6			
Record Results			
<ol> <li>The Fischer Controversy, Documents and the 'Truth' About the Origins of the First World War. By: Mombauer, Annika. Journal of Contemporary History. Apr2013, Vol. 48 Issue 2, p290-314. 25p. Historical Period: ca 1914 to ca 1960. DOI: 10.1177/0022009412472711.</li> </ol>			
http://search.ebscohost.com/login.aspx?direct=true&db=hia&AN=86989247&site=ehost-live			
<ol> <li>Russian Historiography on the Origins of the First World War Since the Fischer Controversy. By: Sanborn, Joshua. Journal of Contemporary History. Apr2013, Vol. 48 Issue 2, p350-362. 13p. Historical Period: ca 1956 to ca 2013. DOI: 10.1177/0022009412472716.</li> </ol>			
http://search.ebscohost.com/login.aspx?direct=true&db=hia&AN=86989252&site=ehost-live			
3. The Russian Origins of the First World War. By: STEINBERG, JOHN W. Slavic Review Spring2013 Vol. 72 Issue 1 p170-171 2p. Historical			

8. From here use the 'find full text' option to search for Cambridge access.

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Detailed Record	The Fischer Co	ntroversy, Documents and the 'Truth' About the Origins of the First World War.
@cam - find full text	Authors:	Mombauer, Annika <sup>1</sup>
	Source:	Journal of Contemporary History; Apr2013, Vol. 48 Issue 2, p290-314, 25p
	Historical Period:	ca 1914 to ca 1960
	Document Type:	Article
	Subject Terms:	WORLD War, 1914-1918 Causes POSTMODERNISM HISTORIOGRAPHY History 20th century WORLD War, 1914-1918 Historiography GUILT Social aspects HISTORY
	Author-Supplied	Fischer Controversy

## Modifying your alerts

- **9.** It is possible to set up multiple alerts for different search terms. Carry out the search first and then click on 'Alert / Save / Share' (step 2 above) and sign in with your EBSCOhost details when prompted.
- **10.** To modify or delete existing search alerts click 'Sign In' at the top right of the Historical Abstracts search page (if you are not already signed in).

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- **11.** Now click on 'Folder' in the top right of the screen to view your saved information.
- 12. On the left side under 'My Folder' click on 'Search Alerts'. This will display details of any alerts you have set up. Click on 'Edit Alert' to change the settings for an alert. To delete an alert check the relevant boxes and click on 'Delete Items'.

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