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The Global Resources Network (GRN) is a joint initiative of the [Association of American Universities \(AAU\)](#) and the [Association of Research Libraries \(ARL\)](#). The AAU/ARL Global Resources Network (GRN) has embraced two main goals. GRN will expand access to international resources not currently available to North American students and scholars, in the first instance through discrete projects that focus on significantly expanding the depth, breadth, quantity, range of formats, and variety of international information resources available to our students and scholars. A parallel effort will make our dispersed collections more interdependent and complementary through coordinated acquisitions that are combined with powerful systems for access, discovery, presentation, and delivery.

The Global Resources Network has articulated its agenda in many conferences and forums concerned with both library resources and international studies, as well as through its reports and publications. It has also become closely involved with a number of individual projects, the first of which have focused on specific world areas. Activities within these projects have included indexing efforts and access arrangements, digital initiatives, national and international partnerships, and cooperative collection development. GRN projects have as a rule been launched and nurtured within the AAU/ARL framework. Many are linked to complementary initiatives based in other institutions.

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