GPA: SUPPORTING AREA STUDIES AND ADVANCING DIGITAL HUMANITIES

For over 30 years, East View has been unlocking international news content and making it accessible to scholars across the globe. East View’s Global Press Archive® (GPA) program continues this legacy by offering deep archives of a diverse range of predominantly non-Western newspaper titles, digitized to exacting standards and made searchable for increased discoverability. Many of these publications will be available as comprehensive archives for the first time and the effort will collectively present immense new value for scholarly research.

THE GPA CRL ALLIANCE

Since 2019, East View has partnered with the Center for Research Libraries (CRL) to accelerate the GPA mission. This partnership is known as the GPA CRL Alliance. Through the Alliance, CRL defines and sponsors creation of thematic collections on the GPA platform.

Thanks to generous support from funding members, the GPA CRL Alliance has successfully released multiple collections to date, totaling over 5.5 million pages and including over 3.2 million pages of Open Access content.

Open Access Collections

• Daily Observer Digital Archive (Monrovia, Liberia)
• El Mundo Digital Archive (San Juan, Puerto Rico)
• Imperial Russian Newspapers (33 titles)
• Independent and Revolutionary Mexican Newspapers (987 titles)
• Late Qing and Republican-Era Chinese Newspapers (292 titles)
• Middle Eastern and North African Newspapers (79 titles)
• South Asian Newspapers (9 titles)
• Southeast Asian Newspapers (129 titles)

CRL-Wide Access Collections

• El Caribe Digital Archive (Santo Domingo, Dominican Republic)
• East African Newspapers (3 titles)
• Middle Eastern and North African Newspapers Premium (5 titles)
• Post-Perestroika Newspapers (16 titles)

Encouraged by the positive results thus far, the GPA CRL Alliance continues to develop new collections. The continuation of this highly successful academic-commercial partnership is a testament to CRL and East View’s shared values of diversity, equity, and inclusion, and reinforces the commitment to extend access to global newspaper collections to the widest possible audience. Stay tuned for announcements on future collections!
GPA CUSTOM PLATFORM DEVELOPMENT

GPA content is delivered on a custom-built platform designed specifically for searching and display of full-image/full-text newspaper archives. Taking into account extensive feedback from librarians and researchers, the GPA platform was developed to provide an optimized experience for newspaper content, as well as a robust selection of tools and features, including cross-searching across more than 10 million pages of Open Access and commercial content, hit-term highlighting, clipping and text extraction tools, virtual keyboards for Arabic, Russian, and Turkish, crowdsourced text correction, citation generators, and more.

CRL MEMBER BENEFITS THROUGH THE ALLIANCE

The GPA CRL Alliance is a unique opportunity to play a leading role in supporting equal access to critical resources for scholars across the globe. In addition, GPA CRL Alliance participants enjoy a number of benefits, including:

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To date, the GPA CRL Alliance has provided members an average savings of 38% – nearly $1 million in savings overall.

What makes an East View newspaper collection eligible for the GPA CRL Alliance discount? CRL members get discounts on:

- All commercial GPA newspaper collections published during the duration of the GPA CRL Alliance
- Many digital archive newspaper collections produced prior to the launch of the GPA CRL Alliance
- Custom digitization services, which includes hosting content on the same platform used for GPA CRL Alliance collections. This means custom databases can be cross searched together with GPA CRL Alliance collections.

Learn more about the GPA CRL Alliance at www.eastview.com/gpa/crl or contact us at info@eastview.com

CRL members can also learn more about the Alliance, available collections, and Alliance member benefits on CRL’s eDesiderata website (CRL member login required).