

Abbreviations and acronyms

A&H	Arts and humanities
A&HCI	Arts and Humanities Citation Index
AAPS	African Association of Political Science
AASSREC	Association of Asian Social Science Research Councils
AAU	African Association of Universities
ACLS	American Council of Learned Societies
ACSS	Arab Council for the Social Sciences
AERC	African Economic Research Consortium
AERC	Applied Economics Research Centre (Pakistan)
AFREPREN/FWD	African Energy Policy Research Network/Foundation for Woodstove Dissemination
AHCI	Arts and Humanities Citation Index
AHELO	Assessment of Higher Education Learning Outcomes
AIDS	Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome
AILA	Association Internationale de Linguistique Appliquée [International Association of Applied Linguistics]
AJOL	African Journals Online
ALRN	African Labour Research Network
ANECA	Agencia Nacional de Evaluación de la Calidad y Acreditación [National Agency for Quality Assessment and Accreditation (Spain)]
AP	Asia-Pacific
ARG	Argentina
ASSAF	Academy of Science of South Africa
ASSC	Arab Council for the Social Sciences
AU	African Union
AUS	Australia
AUT	Association of University Teachers
BEL	Belgium
BERD	business sector expenditure on research and development
BGR	Bulgaria
BIREME-OPS	Biblioteca Regional de Medicina–Organización Panamericana de la Salud [Regional Library of Medicine–Pan-American Health Organization]
BOAI	Budapest Open Access Initiative
BPO	business process outsourcing
BRCSS	Building Research Capability in the Social Sciences
BREAD	Bureau for Research and Economic Analysis of Development

BRIC	Brazil, Russia, India and China
BSLM	Behavioural Science Learning Module
BSSRC	Bangladesh Social Science Research Council
CAPES	Coordenação de Aperfeiçoamento de Pessoal de Nível Superior [Coordinating Agency for the Improvement of Higher Education] (Brazil)
CAS	Chinese Academy of Sciences
CASS	Chinese Academy of Social Sciences
CAUT	Canadian Association of University Teachers
CBR	Centre for Basic Research (Uganda)
CDH	Careers of Doctorate Holders
CDR	Centre for Development Research (Denmark)
CEBRAP	Centro Brasileiro de Análise e Planejamento [Brazilian Centre of Analysis and Planning] (Brazil)
CEDES	Centro de Estudios de Estado y Sociedad [Centre for the Study of State and Society] (Argentina)
CERI	Centre for Educational Research and Innovation (France)
CESSDA	Council of European Social Science Data Archives
CHE	Switzerland
CHERPA	Consortium for Higher Education and Research Performance Assessment (European)
CHSSCD	Chinese Humanities and Social Sciences Citation Database
CINVESTAV	Centro de Investigación y de Estudios Avanzadas [Center for Research and Advanced Studies of the National Polytechnic Institute] (Mexico)
CIS	Commonwealth of Independent States
CISEA	Centro de Investigaciones Sociales sobre el Estado y la Administración [Centre of Social Research on the State and Administration] (Argentina)
CLACSO	Consejo Latinoamericano de Ciencias Sociales [Latin American Council Social Sciences]
CLAD-SIARE	Centro Latinoamericano de Administración para el Desarrollo [Latin American Center for Development Management – Analytical Information System on Public Sector Reform]
CNA	Consejo Nacional de Acreditación [National Council of Accreditation] (Colombia)
CNEAI	Comisión Nacional Evaluadora de la Actividad Investigadora [National Commission for the Evaluation of Research Activity] (Spain)
CNPq	Conselho Nacional de Desenvolvimento Científico e Tecnológico [National Council for Scientific and Technological Development] (Brazil)
CNRS	Centre National de Recherche Scientifique [National Centre of Scientific Research] (France)
CO-REACH-SSR	Co-ordination of Research between Europe and China – Social Science Research
CODESRIA	Council for the Development of Social Science Research in Africa
CONACYT	Consejo Nacional de Ciencia y Tecnología [National Council on Science and Technology] (Mexico)
CONICET	Consejo Nacional de Investigaciones Científicas y Técnicas [National Council of Scientific and Technical Research] (Argentina)
COSH	Centre of Social Sciences and Humanities (Pakistan)
COSS	Council of Social Sciences (Pakistan)
COST	European Cooperation in Science and Technology
CPP	citations per publication
CRE	Centre of Research Excellence
CREST	Centre for Research on Science and Technology (South Africa)
CROP	Comparative Research Programme on Poverty (based in Norway)
CSDS RAS	Centre for Science Development Studies of Russian Academy of Sciences
CSIC	Consejo Superior de Investigaciones Científicas [Superior Council for Scientific Research] (Spain)
CSIR	Council of Scientific and Industrial Research (India)
CSSCI	Chinese Social Science Citation Index
CYP	Cyprus
CZE	Czech Republic

DANIDA	Danish International Development Assistance
DARPA	Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency (USA)
DICE	Difusión y Calidad Editorial de las Revistas Españolas de Humanidades y Ciencias Sociales y Jurídicas [Diffusion and Editorial Quality of Spanish Journals of Humanities, Social Sciences and Law]
DNK	Denmark
DOAJ	Directory of Open Access Journals
ECLA	Economic Commission for Latin America
ECPR	European Consortium for Political Research
EHESS	École des Hautes Études en Sciences Sociales [School for Advanced Studies in the Social Sciences] (France)
E-LIS	E-prints in Library and Information Science
EP	environmental psychology
ERA	Excellence in Research for Australia
ERC	European Research Council
ESCWA	United Nations Economic and Social Commission for Western Asia
ESF	European Science Foundation
ESFRI	European Strategy Forum on Research Infrastructures
ESP	Spain
ESRC	Economic and Social Research Council (UK)
ESS	European Social Survey
EST	Estonia
ESTIME	Évaluation des Capacités Scientifiques, Techniques et d'Innovation des Pays Méditerranéens [Evaluation of Scientific, Technology and Innovation Capabilities in Mediterranean Countries]
ETH	Eidgenössische Technische Hochschule [Swiss Federal Institute of Technology]
ETP	Extra-Teacher Program
EU	European Union
EURAB	Europe Research Advisory Board
FAPESP	Fundação de Amparo à Pesquisa do Estado de São Paulo [Sao Paulo Research Foundation]
FCSM	Field Citation Score Mean
FIN	Finland
FINEP	Financiadora de Estudos e Projetos [Brazilian Innovation Agency]
FLACSO	Facultad Latinoamericana de Ciencias Sociales [Latin American Social Sciences Faculty]
FNDCT	Fundo Nacional de Desenvolvimento Científico e Tecnológico [National Fund for Scientific and Technological Development] (Brazil)
FoS	Fields of Science
FP	Framework Programme
FRIDA	Forskningsresultater, informasjon og dokumentasjon av vitenskapelige aktivitetekauppir [Research results, information and documentation of scientific activities]
FTE	full-time equivalent
G20	Group of Twenty
GAL	Gesellschaft für Angewandte Linguistik [Society for Applied Linguistics] (Germany)
GDI	gross domestic income
GDP	gross domestic product
GECHS	Global Environmental Change and Human Security
GERD	gross expenditure on research and development
GI	government issue
GOVERD	government expenditure on research and development
GUNI	Global University Network for Innovation
HC	headcount
HE	higher education

HEFCE	Higher Education Funding Council for England
HEI	higher education institution
HERD	higher education expenditure on research and development
HESA	Higher Education Statistics Agency (UK)
HIV	human immunodeficiency virus
HSRC	Human Sciences Research Council (South Africa)
IAS	Institute for Advanced Study (USA)
IAS-Fudan	Fudan Institute for Advanced Study in Social Sciences (China)
IBBS	International Bibliography of the Social Sciences
IBE	International Bureau of Education
IBH	India Book House
ICOPHIL	International Conference on Philippine Studies
ICREA	Institució Catalana de Recerca i Estudis Avançats [Catalan Institution of Research and Advanced Studies]
ICSSR	Indian Council of Social Science Research
ICT	information and communications technologies
IDB	Inter-American Development Bank
IDRC	International Development Research Centre (Canada)
IEMED	Institut Europeu de la Mediterrània [European Institute of the Mediterranean]
IESALC	Institut International de l'UNESCO pour l'Éducation Supérieure en Amérique Latine et dans les Caraïbes [UNESCO International Institute for Higher Education in Latin America and the Caribbean]
IFLA	International Federation of Library Associations and Institutions
IFPRI	International Food Policy Research Institute
IFSP	International Forum on the Social Science–Policy Nexus
IHDP	International Human Dimensions Programme
IHEP	Institute of Higher Education Policy (USA)
IIT	Indian Institute of Technology
IMF	International Monetary Fund
INASP	International Network for the Availability of Scientific Publications
INR	Indian Rupee
IOM	International Organization for Migration
IOR	institutional online repository
IPPR	Institute for Public Policy Research (UK)
IPS	Institute of Policy Studies (USA)
IPSA	International Political Science Association
IRD	Institut de Recherche pour le Développement [Research Institute for Development] (France)
ISCED	International Standard Classification of Educational Disciplines
ISF	International Science Foundation (USA)
ISI	Institute for Scientific Information
ISL	Iceland
ISS RAS	Institute for the Study of Science of the Russian Academy of Sciences
ISSC	International Social Science Council
IT	information technology
ITN	Insecticide-Treated Net
IUPSYS	International Union of Psychological Science
IWT	Institut für Wissenschafts und Technikforschung [Institute for Science and Technology Studies] (Germany)
JCR	Journal Citation Reports
JET	Joint Education Trust (UK)

JPN	Japan
JUST	Jordan University of Science and Technology
LA	Latin America
LAC	Latin America and the Caribbean
LSE	London School of Economics (UK)
LTU	Lithuania
LTV	Latvia
MA	Masters
MASS	Maori Association of Social Scientists
MCT	Ministério da Ciência e Tecnologia [Ministry of Science and Technology] (Brazil)
MDG	Millennium Development Goals
MEC	Ministerio de Educação [Ministry Education] (Brazil)
MED	Medical Papers
METRIS	Monitoring European Trends in Social Sciences and Humanities
MICIT	Ministerio de Ciencia y Tecnología [Ministry of Science and Technology] (Costa Rica)
MINCYT	Ministerio de Ciencia, Tecnología e Innovación Productiva [Ministry of Science and Technology] (Argentina)
MIT	Massachusetts Institute of Technology (USA)
MOE	Ministry of Education
MORST	Ministry of Research, Science and Technology (New Zealand)
MOST	Ministry of Science and Technology
NBER	National Bureau of Economic Research (USA)
NCES	National Center for Education Statistics
NEPAD	New Partnership for Africa's Development
NGO	non-governmental organization
NIES	National Institute for Education Statistics (USA)
NIH	National Institute of Health (USA)
NISC	National Inquiry Service Centre (USA)
NOR	Norway
NORAD	Norwegian Agency for Development Cooperation
NORFACE	New Opportunities for Research Funding Agency Cooperation in Europe
NPO	not-for-profit organization
NSB	National Science Board (USA)
NSE	natural sciences and engineering
NSF	National Science Foundation (USA)
NUS	National University of Singapore
NWO	Nederlandse Organisatie voor Wetenschappelijk Onderzoek [Netherlands Organization for Scientific Research]
NYC	New York City
NYU	New York University
OA	open access
OAU	Organization of African Unity
OECD	Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development
OJS	open journal system
OMC	open method of coordination
OSSREA	Organization for Social Science Research in Eastern and Southern Africa
PAASE	Philippine-American Academy of Science and Engineering
PhD	doctor of philosophy
PIDE	Pakistan Institute for Development Economics

PLO	Palestine Liberation Organization
PNPG	National Postgraduate Programmes
PNPG	Planos Nacionais de Pós-graduação [Brazilian Graduate Programmes]
POL	Poland
PPI	Programa de Promoción del Investigador [Programme for the Promotion of Researchers] (Venezuela)
PPI	public–private initiative
PPP	purchasing power parity
PRO	public research organization
PROGRESA	Programa Educación, Saludy Alimentacion [Education, Health and Nutrition Programme of Mexico]
PRSPs	Poverty Reduction Strategy Papers
PRT	Portugal
QS	Quacquarelli Symonds
R&D	research and development
RAE	Research Assessment Exercise (UK)
RAEC	Red Académica Electrónica de CLACSO [CLACSO's Electronic Academic Network]
RAS	Russian Academy of Sciences
RCUK	Research Council UK
RECS	Revistas Españolas de Ciencias Sociales [Spanish Journals of Social Sciences]
REDALYC	Red de Revistas Científicas de América Latina y el Caribe, España y Portugal [Network of Scientific Journals of Latin America and the Caribbean, Spain and Portugal]
REDUC	Red Latinoamericana de Información y Documentación en Educación [Latin America Network of Information and Documentation on Education]
REPEC	Research Papers in Economics
RESH	Revistas Españolas de Ciencias Sociales y Humanas [Spanish Journals of Social and Human Sciences]
RFBR	Russian Foundation for Basic Research
RFH	Russian Foundation for Humanities
RICARDIS	Reporting Intellectual Capital to Augment Research, Development and Innovation in SMEs
RICYT	Red de Indicadores de Ciencia y Tecnología [Network of Science and Technology Indicators]
ROM	Romania
ROSSTAT	Federal State Statistics Service (Russian Federation)
RQAN	Return of Qualified African Nationals
RQF	Research Quality Framework
RSA	related scientific activity
S&E	science and engineering
S&T	science and technology
SA	South Africa
SADC	Southern African Development Community
SAHARA	Social Aspects of HIV/AIDS Research Alliance
SAPES	Southern Africa Political Economy Series
SARUA	Southern African Regional Universities Association
SCAS	Swedish Collegium for Advanced Study
SCI	Science Citation Index
SCI-E	Science Citation Index Expanded
SCIELO	Scientific Electronic Library Online
SESTAT	Scientists and Engineers Statistical Data System
SET	Science, Engineering and Technology
SHARE	Survey of Health, Ageing and Retirement in Europe
SIDA/SAREC	Swedish International Development Cooperation Agency/SIDA's Department for Research Cooperation
SIR	Scimago Institutional Ranking

SJTUIHE	Shanghai Jiao Tong University Institute of Higher Education
SME	small and medium enterprises
SNI	Sistema Nacional de Investigadores [National System of Researchers]
SPEaR	Social Policy Evaluation and Research
SPRU	Science and Technology Policy Research Unit, University of Sussex
SS	social sciences
SS&H	social sciences and humanities
SSA	sub-Saharan Africa
SSBL	social science, business and law
SSCI	Social Science Citation Index
SSH	social sciences and humanities
SSHRC	Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council
SSRC	Social Science Research Council
ST&I	science, technology and innovation
STEM	science, technology, engineering and mathematics
STI	science, technology and innovation
SU-HSE	State University Higher School of Economics (Russian Federation)
SVK	Slovakia
SWE	Sweden
TAC	Treatment Action Campaign
TB	tuberculosis
THES	Times Higher Education Supplement
TRIPs	Trade-Related Aspects of Intellectual Property Rights
UAEM	Universidad Autónoma de Estado de México [Mexico State Autonomous University]
UCLA	University of California Los Angeles
UGC	University Grants Commission
UIS	UNESCO Institute for Statistics
UK	United Kingdom
UN	United Nations
UNAIDS	Joint United Nations Programme on HIV/AIDS
UNDP	United Nations Development Programme
UNESCO	United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization
UNICEF	United Nations Children's Fund
UNU-CRIS	United Nations University-Comparative Regional Integration Studies
UNU-IAS	United Nations University-Institute of Advanced Studies
UOE	UNESCO-UIS/OECD/Eurostat
UQAM	Université du Québec à Montréal [Québec University in Montréal]
US	United States of America
USA	United States of America
USAID	United States Agency for International Development
USD	United States dollar
WoS	Web of Science
WHO	World Health Organization
WTO	World Trade Organization
WW	World War
WWW	World Wide Web
ZiF	Zentrum für Interdisziplinäre Forschung [Centre for Interdisciplinary Research] (Germany)