Online Interlibrary Loan in the SWB

What do I find in the SWB-Online-Catalogue?

The SWB-Online-Catalogue contains catalogue entries of books, periodicals, articles, printed music, audio-visual media, electronic resources, and other kinds of media held by the libraries of the Südwestdeutscher Bibliotheksverbund (Baden-Württemberg, Saarland, Saxony and special libraries in other federal states).

How do I know which library holds a found record?

By clicking on the tab „availability“ you can see which libraries hold this title. If you click the plus sign, you will be shown further information on the respective library and its circulation regulations.
What can be ordered via interlibrary loan?

You can place an interlibrary loan request on items that are not available in your local libraries.

The following media are usually not available via interlibrary loan:
- Reference works and loose-leaf publications
- Non-circulation collections
- Works published before 1900 and particularly valuable materials (partly such media can be borrowed on condition that they are only used in the reading room of the ordering library)
- Works of an exceptional format (e.g. newspapers)
- Works that can be purchased for less than 15 €.

How do I make a request and what does it cost?

If you want to order an item via interlibrary loan, please contact a local library taking part in online interlibrary loan. There you will find assistance in submitting your request. The item will be delivered to the library which ordered it for you. It can also be returned there. Usually it takes 1 to 2 weeks for the item to arrive.

The libraries you may contact in Baden-Württemberg, Saarland and Saxony are listed here: Baden-Württemberg, Saarland:
The libraries you may contact in Germany are listed here:
http://dispatch.opac-dnb.de/DB=1.2/CMD?ACT=SRCHA&IKT=8525&SRT=LST_os&TRM=lva+%DCLV.

The charge for an interlibrary loan request can differ from library to library. Usually 1,50 € is charged irrespectively of the success of your request. In case you receive copies (of an article) with more than 20 pages you may be committed to bear any additional costs.