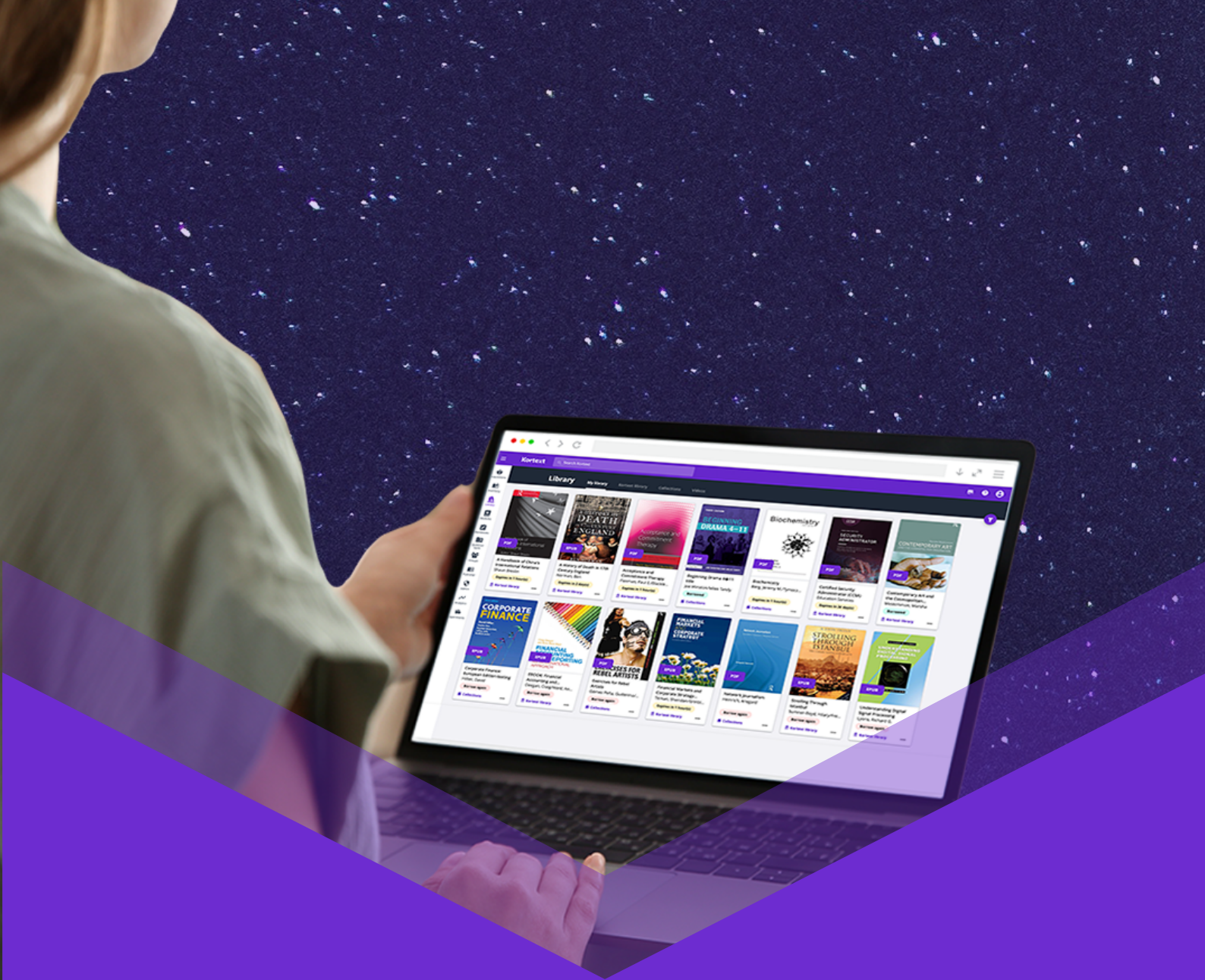




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Kortext now allows institutions to access their accounts via Shibboleth. Below is the information needed to activate Kortext as a service provider and set up access for your students.

First time access must be via the library catalogue if the users don't have a Kortext account.

Activating Kortext as a Service Provider¹

To start the process the university adds Kortext as a Service Provider. This allows users to be redirected to Kortext following a successful login. Kortext is part of the UK Access Federation. You then have two different ways to permit authentication:

Option 1 – By sharing the Release of the **edupersonTargetedID**

This is a standard authentication attribute that contains no identifiable information. Under this route students who want to access their textbooks will need to enter their institutional email address and set a password as a one-time process. This is an important part of the set-up, enabling the students to make bookmarks, notes and highlights within the text as well as downloading the content directly onto their various devices for use online and offline. Any notes that the students make within the textbooks can be exported at the end of the access period. Having completed this one time setup process the students will automatically link to their textbooks on Kortext via their Shibboleth ID and always come back to where they left off within each textbook.

Option 2 By sharing

Attribute	SAML 2	Description
cn	urn:oid:2.5.4.3	First and last name of the user in one field
mail	urn:oid:0.9.2342.19200300.100.1.3	Institution email of the user (Single email)

These standard authentication attributes enable Kortext to set each student up with their own personalised instance of Kortext automatically with nothing for the student to do. As per above the students can make bookmarks, notes and highlights within the text as well as downloading the content directly onto their various devices for use online and offline. Any notes that the students make within the textbooks can be exported at the end of the access period.

The students will automatically link to their textbooks on Kortext via their Shibboleth ID and always come back to where they left off within each textbook.

N.B. For those universities already using Kortext, please ensure the attributes already being passed remain so that content is allocated correctly (VLE set-up etc.)

Setting up access²

The customer needs to send to Kortext a list of the titles to be made available. We need the ISBN, title, author, edition and publisher in an excel spreadsheet.

This needs to be sent to support@kortext.com

Kortext will confirm to the customer the titles that are available. We will provide the URL for the content to be added to the 856 field of the MARC record in the catalogue.

Students access - New users³

Once the above process has been set up the institution will be live on Kortext.

The students can go to the library catalogue, search and select a Kortext ebook of interest and click on the URL to access the title on Kortext. First time users, or students without a current Kortext account will be prompted to register via a simple pop up box. The students will be asked to confirm their university / institutional email address and password to access the content the first time they access any Kortext content.

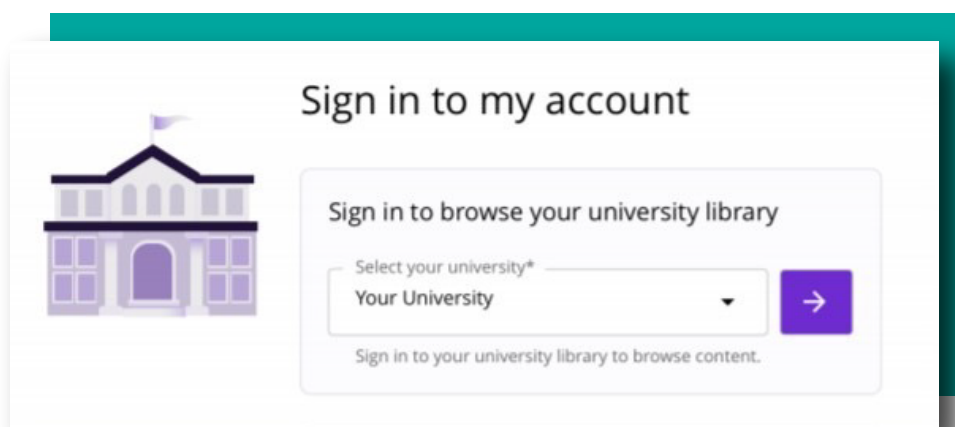
Once the account has been set up the book will be on the user bookshelf for access.

Students access - Existing User⁴

If the student already has an account or has set one up, the set-up above is bypassed and they go directly into the book from the library catalogue.

Once the account is set up students can then also log in from the Kortext login page,

<https://app.kortext.com/login> and access via Shib as below.



The screenshot shows a login interface with a teal header. On the left is a purple icon of a university building. The main heading is 'Sign in to my account'. Below it is a box titled 'Sign in to browse your university library'. Inside this box, there is a label 'Select your university*' followed by a dropdown menu showing 'Your University' and a purple button with a white right-pointing arrow. Below the dropdown, there is a smaller line of text: 'Sign in to your university library to browse content.'



For help, please visit:

support.kortext.com