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7 Seconds Away

Search the best in global specialist images with StockIndexOnline v2.0

StockIndexOnline has boosted its Search Engine. Now researchers, photobuyers, designers, art directors, and other image users can search over four million images from eighty-plus agencies, in one search from our site in an average of seven seconds.

Behind the scenes the technical team at StockIndexOnline have been putting long hours into integrating hordes of photo stock libraries into the front end. Now you can quickly search a large number of sites simultaneously with one query.

StockIndexOnline grew out of the Stock Index printed guide to picture agencies, now distributed free to over 30,000 photobuyers globally in two editions: UK/Europe and USA. Publisher Bob Prior outlines how it started: "I launched Stock Index twenty seven years ago, a printed guide to specialist stock photo libraries. It had a distribution of 5,000 copies and featured thirty stock libraries. Today we have a distribution of 30,000 copies and over 300 stock libraries featured."

The Stock Index has long prided itself on being the resource guide to specialist stock libraries and their websites. Prior adds, "I have always acknowledged the phenomenal breadth and depth of the specialist collections. It is only through specialist libraries you truly reach that level of professional knowledge and range of images."

Though there is a substantial demand for the printed version, it was time for an update. Although individual libraries could be searched from the StockIndexOnline portal, the search facilities on the website needed to be updated to reflect advances in technology and the changing face of internet searching.

Now image-users can search over four million images with one click, with the average result arriving in seven seconds.