

Welcome to the PRIME CD-ROM

The PRIME CD-ROM contains a vast quantity of data collected during the PRIME project, together with extensive metadata. The question that you will inevitably be asking yourself on encountering this file is 'How do I get started?' The answer is by installing the necessary software on your computer. All users of all platforms will need to install the Adobe *Acrobat* Reader unless version 3.0 or later is already installed. *Windows95* users have the option of two additional installations: Microsoft Run-time *Access* and the BODC Underway Explorer and Database Explorer software.

This package contains the data and documentation, software installation files and a copy of the PRIME database in JET 3.0 (*Access 95* version 7) and 3.5 (*Access 97*) formats.

Installation of one or more of the software components is possible by running the INSTALL.EXE program in the CD-ROM root directory. Alternatively, components may be installed using their individual set-up programs as described below. Please note that if you wish to use the BODC Explorer software and your computer does not have *Access 95* version 7 installed then you MUST install the Run-time *Access* software.

Once the software is installed, open the MANUAL\MANUAL.PDF file with the *Acrobat* Reader to discover all you need to know.

Adobe *Acrobat* Reader Installation

The information on how to make use of the CD-ROM and the data documentation has been included in Adobe's Portable Document Format (PDF). To access this, a copy of the freeware Adobe *Acrobat* Reader software version 3.0 or later must be installed on your computer. Installation files are included for *Windows95/98/NT*.

Adobe have provided README files containing further installation instructions in each of the installation directories. It is strongly recommended that these are consulted before attempting installation.

Once the *Acrobat* Reader has been installed, the CD-ROM Users' Guide may be consulted by opening the file MANUAL.PDF in the MANUAL subdirectory.

The *Acrobat* Reader software is available for a large number of non-Windows platforms at either the version 3 or version 4 levels. The best source of this software is Adobe's Web site at URL <http://www.adobe.com> (press the 'Get Acrobat Reader' button at the bottom of the page).

Microsoft Run-time Access Installation

Windows 95 users who do not have a full copy of Microsoft *Access 7* installed on their PC and do not wish to buy a copy might like to take advantage of the copy of *Run-time Access* included on the CD-ROM. This is a stripped down version of the program that allows the PRIME database to be interrogated and data in the database to be modified or extended (providing a copy has been made on hard disk). However, it does not allow any changes to be made to the database design.

Note that if you wish to use the BODC Database Explorer program and you do not have *Access 7* installed on your machine, you **MUST** install *Run-time Access*.

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To install the software, run the SETUP.EXE program in the SWAREMSACCESS directory.

BODC Underway Explorer and Database Explorer Installation

The BODC Underway Explorer and Database Explorer programs may be installed on to a PC running *Windows 95* by running the SETUP.EXE file in the directory SWARE\BODC\INSTALL.

The installation program allows user specification of destination directories and where the program shortcuts are set up on the Taskbar. If the default settings are accepted, the shortcuts will be found in a new Taskbar group called BODC.

Creating Additional Shortcuts

Many *Windows 95* users will find it convenient to include additional shortcuts either on their Desktop or in the BODC group on the Taskbar. In particular, shortcuts to open the Users' Guide and the *Access* databases should prove helpful.

Adding a Users' Guide Shortcut to the Desktop

Right click anywhere on your Desktop and choose New then Shortcut. In the Command line box enter:

```
c:\Program Files\Adobe\Acrobat 4.0\Reader\AcroRd32.exe d:\manual\manual.pdf
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and click the Next button. Note that this assumes that the CD-ROM drive that you are using is the D disk and that Acrobat 4.0 has been installed.

Enter whatever you like in the box for the shortcut name and click the Finish button.

Adding a Users' Guide Shortcut to the Taskbar

Press the Start button and select Settings and then Taskbar. Click on the Start Menu Programs tab and choose the Add button. In the Command line box enter:

```
c:\Program Files\Adobe\Acrobat 4.0\Reader\AcroRd32.exe d:\manual\manual.pdf
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and click the Next button. Note that this assumes that the CD-ROM drive you are using is the D disk and that Acrobat 4.0 has been installed.

The folders on your Taskbar will then be displayed. Find the BODC folder, select it by clicking on it then click on Next. Enter whatever you like in the box for the shortcut name and click the Finish button, followed by OK.

Adding Database Shortcuts

The procedure for adding database shortcuts is exactly the same as the above, except for the text that you enter in the Command line box. This will depend to some extent on the version of Microsoft *Access* you are using and whether it was installed 'stand alone' or as part of the *Office* suite. The examples below are for *Access* installed as part of the *Office 95* package.

```
c:\MSoffice\Access\MSAccess.exe /runtime d:\dbjet\primev7.mdb /Excl /Ro
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This assumes that your CD-ROM is the D drive. The '/runtime' opens the database in runtime mode (no design modifications possible), the '/Excl' opens the database in exclusive mode (makes it run faster), and the '/Ro' opens it in read only mode. These parameters are optional. All that is really needed is the program name and the filename.

If you have installed Runtime *Access*, then the command for the PRIME database is:

```
c:\Program Files\Common Files\Microsoft Shared\Microsoft Access Runtime\  
MSAccess.exe d:\dbjet\primev7.mdb
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Note that this should all be typed on one line with a space between 'Access' and 'Runtime'. It also assumes that you have installed Runtime Access to your C drive and that your CD-ROM is the D drive.

User Support

BODC personnel will do their utmost to assist you if you have any problems installing the software or using the CD-ROM in a prompt and efficient manner. Please direct any queries by e-mail to bodcmail@ccms.ac.uk. This is a group mailbox that is checked every working day. Alternatively fax queries to +44-151-652-3950.

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