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CLARIN makes digital language resources available to scholars and researchers of all disciplines, in particular in the humanities and social sciences. It provides a single online access point for data and tools, requiring only one identity and sign-on.



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CLARIN is an infrastructure for researchers in the humanities. Originally developed by linguists and computational linguists, it is now concerned with research in all disciplines involving the analysis or processing of language. CLARIN provides the technology to assist individuals to carry out their research.

CLARIN bridges the gap between the technology and the humanities scholar.

Providing for the Humanities Community

Expertise

Questions of procedure, ethics, technology, licences – each project has its own specific requirements, but there are common aspects. CLARIN provides expertise to humanities scholars in each of these areas. CLARIN centres share their expertise through guides and handbooks, workshops, and collaborative projects and the provision of individual support. The aim of these support activities is to significantly lower the barriers to digital scholarship and to focus on their research questions.

Accessing Resources

In addition to preserving material, resources can be made available so that communities of scholars can access material to support their research. CLARIN provides a gateway to resources contributed by its partners, and makes it easier for humanities scholars to share their outputs.

Services and Support

Tools

The identification of names and places, finding patterns in speech, enriching sources with annotations: for such tasks highly specialized software tools are available, and are available to be applied to reusable resources in the CLARIN infrastructure.

The tools can be tailored to the needs of individual projects, and provided with expert advice.

Archive

Collections of texts, audio and video recordings, even experimental data: scholars in the humanities work with a lot of primary research data. CLARIN provides access to repositories which can archive these resources so that they can be kept safe for the future.

This opens the possibility of new forms of research and the posing of new research questions in the humanities.

