

TOUR DE CLARIN



Tour de CLARIN is a highly successful initiative that highlights prominent user involvement activities of CLARIN national consortia online. In 2018 outstanding resources, tools, events and researchers from Poland, DLU/Flanders, Czech Republic, Greece, Lithuania, Estonia and Latvia were featured. The first printed volume with an overview of 9 national consortia was also published in November 2018.

DH COURSE REGISTRY

The **DH Course Registry**, developed and maintained as a joint effort of the European research infrastructures CLARIN and DARIAH, has grown in content and global coverage. The DH Course Registry is a platform that allows users to access a database containing over 200 courses and training events by the end of 2018.

PARTHENOS TRAINING MODULE

In 2018 CLARIN contributed to the **PARTHENOS Training Suite** by developing the module *Digital Humanities Research Questions and Methods* showcasing the *collections of Parliamentary Records and Computer-Mediated Communication*.

CLARIN PUBLICATIONS

Among the output for 2018 one of the most salient publications is a paper by Franciska de Jong, Bente Maegaard, Koenraad De Smedt, Darja Fišer and Dieter Van Uytvanck: **“CLARIN: Towards FAIR and Responsible Data Science Using Language Resources.”** It appeared in the *Proceedings of the Eleventh International LREC Conference on Language Resources and Evaluation (LREC 2018)*, May 2018, 3259-3264.

CLARIN IN EU-FUNDED PROJECTS

In 2018 CLARIN ERIC continued its active participation in several European and international initiatives. The collaboration with Europeana and the activities in the context of H2020 project PARTHENOS continued. A new H2020 project had its kick-off in January: EOSC-hub. The first result was the integration of a number of CLARIN services into the EOSC Portal, which was presented at the EOSC launch event on 23 November 2018 in Vienna.

STRATEGIC ALLIANCES

CLARIN is maintaining strategic relationships with several organisations in the research infrastructure ecosystem, among which the other SSH research infrastructures, and LIBER and Europeana. In 2018 a collaboration agreement was signed with ELRA.

CLARIN in a nutshell

- Name** CLARIN is short for "Common Language Resources and Technology Infrastructure".
- Vision** All digital language resources and tools from all over Europe and beyond are accessible through a single sign-on online environment for the support of researchers in the humanities and social sciences.
- Mission** Create and maintain an infrastructure to support the sharing, use and sustainability of language data and tools for research in the humanities and social sciences.

Value proposition

CLARIN makes digital language resources available to scholars, researchers, students, and citizen-scientists from all disciplines, especially in the humanities and social sciences, through single sign-on access. CLARIN offers long-term solutions and technology services for deploying, connecting, analysing and sustaining digital language data and tools. CLARIN supports scholars who want to engage in cutting edge data-driven research, contributing to a truly multilingual European Research Area.

Governance

The **General Assembly** represents the members of CLARIN ERIC and is the highest decision-making body of CLARIN ERIC. It is assisted by an international **Scientific Advisory Board**. The day-to-day management is in the hands of the **Board of Directors** chaired by the **executive director** Prof. Franciska de Jong and supported by the **CLARIN Office**.

The largest effort towards the further integration of data, tools and expertise stems from the activities in the national consortia. The **National Coordinators' Forum** is responsible for the coordination of the collaboration across countries. Various **committees and working groups**, as well as regular workshops and conferences bring together experts from the CLARIN community to discuss and solve problems of common interest.

In April 2018 an update of the statutes was approved by the European Commission.

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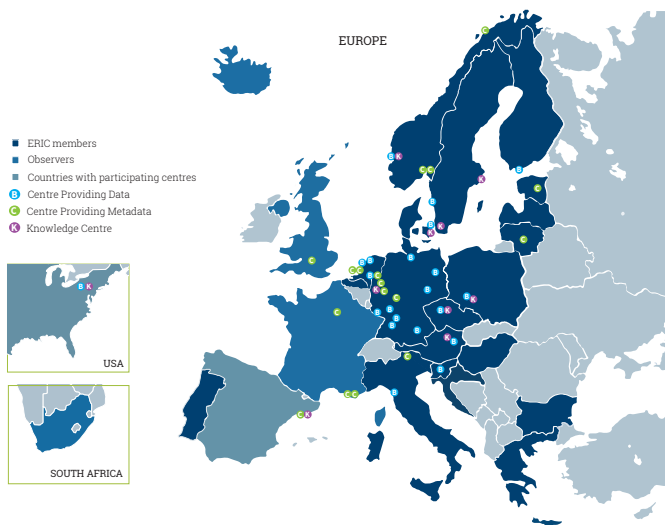


ANNUAL REPORT 2018



CLARIN ERIC MEMBERS

In 2018 Croatia has joined CLARIN ERIC as a member and Iceland and South Africa have joined CLARIN ERIC as observers. At the end of 2018, the total number of participants was 25. Members: AT, BG, CZ, DE, DK, DLU, EE, FI, GR, HR, HU, IT, LT, LV, NL, NO, PL, PT, SE, SI. Observers: IS, UK, FR, ZA. Third party: Carnegie Mellon University (USA).



ANNUAL CONFERENCE 2018

8-10 October 2018, Pisa, Italy

The **Annual Conference** was organised by CLARIN ERIC in collaboration with the Institute for Computational Linguistics (ILC) that is part of the Department of Social Science and Humanities, Cultural Heritage (DSU) of the National Research Council of Italy (CNR). The conference was attended by 240 participants, a rise of 25% in comparison to the previous year. The participants came from 27 countries and were authors of accepted papers, members of national consortia and representatives of CLARIN centres, as well as representatives from partner organizations.



EVENTS

A total of 192 **events**, such as summer schools, workshops, tutorials, seminars and masterclasses, were offered with support from CLARIN throughout the network and attracted over 10,000 participants. The highlights include:



- CLARIN workshop for newcomers and countries preparing for membership (Utrecht, the Netherlands) covered a range of topics, from technical and legal aspects to uptake by researchers and user involvement activities.
- The 2018 *ParlaCLARIN* workshop, held in Miyazaki (Japan) as part of the 11th edition of the *Language Resources and Evaluation Conference (LREC2018)* for researchers interested in compiling, annotating, structuring, linking and visualising parliamentary records.
- Hacking the News: from digitised newspapers to the archived-web*, an introductory workshop to text and data mining (Helsinki, Finland) explored topics to consider when undertaking digital analysis of newspaper corpora and analysing web-archives for research.
- The Workshop *Translation memories, corpora, term bases: Bridges between translation studies and research infrastructures* (Vienna, Austria), addressed the practical aspects of re-using, sharing and archiving of language resources in translation studies.

TECHNICAL DEVELOPMENTS

CLARIN CENTRES

Three **B-centres** were successfully reassessed. By the end of 2018 the number of certified B-centres was 21 and the total number of registered centres was 47.

FEDERATED IDENTITY

The Service Provider Federation (**SPF**) was extended with Croatia, bringing the total number of organisations that can login to 1800.

VIRTUAL LANGUAGE OBSERVATORY (VLO)

Several new versions were launched. The improved functionality brought cleaner facets, visualisation of licenses and a guided tour.

LANGUAGE RESOURCE SWITCHBOARD

This service to bridge data and tools, transitioned from a beta service into a stable production version. Moreover, many tools (e.g. UDPipe) were added and it was integrated into the EUDAT cloud storage platform B2DROP.

KNOWLEDGE SHARING

The number of certified nodes in the Knowledge Sharing Infrastructure (**K-centres**) has gone up from nine to thirteen in 2018 with more applications in the pipeline. CLARIN Mobility Grants were awarded to five researchers for sharing of expertise across European countries.

STEVEN KRAUWER AWARD

The 5th edition of the award ceremony took place at the annual CLARIN Annual Conference in Pisa, Italy. The 2018 Steven Krauwer Awards for CLARIN Achievements were awarded to Daan Broeder (Meertens Institute, KNAW) and Pavel Straňák (Charles University), who both made outstanding contributions toward CLARIN goals.



FINANCES

BALANCE 31 December	2018	2017
Assets		
Fixed assets		
equipment	€11.292	€9.261
Current assets		
receivables	€466.124	€565.532
bank accounts	€1.333.874	€1.477.357
Total Assets	€1.811.290	€2.052.150
Equity and liabilities		
capital and reserves	€1.529.425	€1.458.438
current liabilities	€281.865	€593.712
Total Equity and liabilities	€1.811.290	€2.052.150
PROFIT and LOSS	2018	2017
Income		
membership fees	€1.127.005	€1.096.369
projects/other	€117.997	€80.041
Total Income	€1.245.002	€1.176.410
Expenditures		
personnel costs	€693.003	€510.344
travel	€61.758	€50.577
other	€419.254	€205.302
Total Expenditures	€1.174.015	€766.223
RESULT	€70.987	€410.187

The accounts for the participation by CLARIN ERIC and other CLARIN nodes in projects funded under EU programmes are not included in this overview.