





# Research Infrastructures supporting FAIR and Open Data

Tools and Practices in the SSH: the Example of CLARIN



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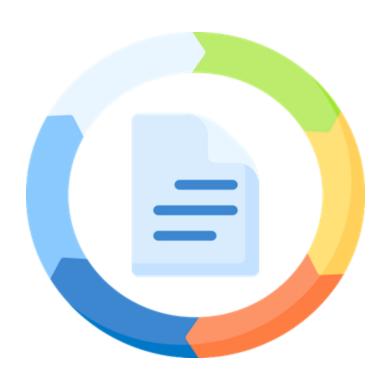
# Open Science: a new paradigm

Open Science is a new approach to the scientific process based on cooperative work and new ways of disseminating knowledge through the use of digital technologies and new collaboration tools (European Commission, 2016)

Open science includes free access to scientific articles, access to public research data and collaborative research enabled by ICT tools and incentives (OECD, 2015)

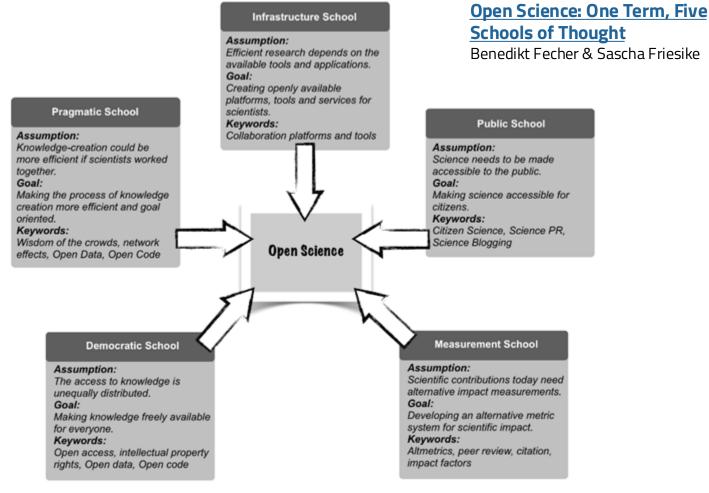
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### Research Data Lifecycle



- 1. Plan
- 2. Collection
- 3. Processing
- 4. Analysis
- 5. Archiving
- 6. Sharing
- 7. Reuse

https://www.fosteropenscience.eu/content/what-open-science-introduction





# **FAIR** principles

The FAIR Principles for the Management and Preservation of Scientific Data were published in 2016 with the main goal of providing guidelines to improve the management of digital objects in the Semantic Web. FAIR is an acronym for:

- Findability Trovabilità
- Accessibility Accessibilità
- Interoperability Interoperabilità
- Riusability Riusabilità

# **FAIR Principles**

# Compliance

# FAIR data management

'FAIR Guiding Principles for scientific data management and stewardship', 2016 <a href="https://www.go-fair.org/fair-principles/">https://www.go-fair.org/fair-principles/</a>



#### **Findability**

Resource and its metadata are easy to find by both, humans and computer systems. Basic machine readable descriptive metadata allows the discovery of interesting data sets and services.

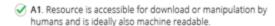


 F2. Metadata are assigned a globally unique and persistent identifier.



#### Accessibility

Resource and metadata are stored for the long term such that they can be easily accessed and downloaded or locally used by humans and ideally also machines using standard communication protocols.



A2. Publications and data repositories have contingency plans to assure that metadata remain accessible, even when the resource or the repository are no longer available.



#### Interoperability

Metadata should be ready to be exchanged, interpreted and combined in a (semi)automated way with other data sets by humans as well as computer systems.

- I1. Resource is uploaded to a repository that is interoperable with other platforms.
- I2. Repository meta- data schema maps to or implements the CG Core metadata schema.
- I3. Metadata use standard vocabularies and/or ontologies.



#### Reusability

Data and metadata are sufficiently well-described to allow data to be reused in future research, allowing for integration with other compatible data sources. Proper citation must be facilitated, and the conditions under which the data can be used should be clear to machines and humans.

- R1. Metadata are released with a clear and accessible usage license.
- R2. Metadata about data and datasets are richly described with a plurality of accurate and relevant attributes.

# Example of data management: Linguistic Resources in CLARIN



### What are language resource?

Language Resources are defined as the set of data and metadata relating to language in machine-readable form. They are used to build, improve or evaluate algorithms or systems of natural language (human language) and speech and, increasingly, for machine learning. They are also used as fundamental resources for, for example, linguistic and translation studies, for electronic publishing, for international transactions, for subject area specialists and for end users.

Source: **ELRA/ELDA** 

# **Types of Language Resources**

Language or linguistic resources are typically divided into categories according to the type of content that include:

**Textual resources** > written and spoken corpora **Lexical resources** > lexicons, dictionaries and terminology databases **NLP tools** > lemmatisers, PoS taggers, parsers etc.

Linguistic resources include not only the data, but also their description, or metadata, which enrich the data with additional information, such as the structural division into books or linguistic features such as PoS tags and syntactic functions

### Why are they useful?

Language resources (LR) are the raw material for the development and upgrade of language technologies (LT), the medium for transmitting information and knowledge (if possible in the most efficient and effective way), the content for developing culture and civilising societies.

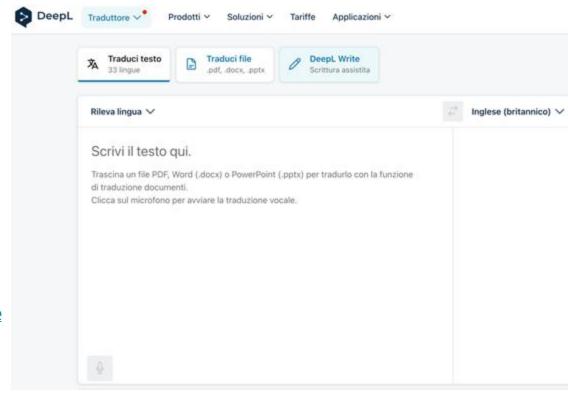
LR, in combination with LT, have greatly changed the user experience and the interactive possibilities of apps, tools and systems and public media over the years. Therefore, LR - in combination with LT - have a huge economic and social impact.

Source: LT Innovate

### Language Technologies

Language technologies are computational methods, computer programs and specialized electronic devices for analyzing, producing or modifying texts and speech, e.g. spell checkers, machine translation services, speech synthesis, translation memories, computerassisted translation, etc.

To know more: <u>Nimdzi Language</u> <u>Technology Atlas</u>

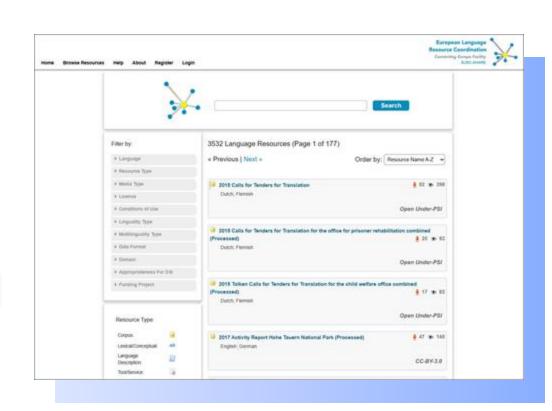


# Where to find linguistic resources: repositories

"We define a repository – or digital archive or repository – as a service managed by research organizations, where research materials are preserved, managed and made accessible."

Source: DataCite

To view the different types of linguistic resources and understand how they are described (the metadata model), you can consult the page ELRC-SHARE repository



# **ILC4CLARIN**: finding published resources



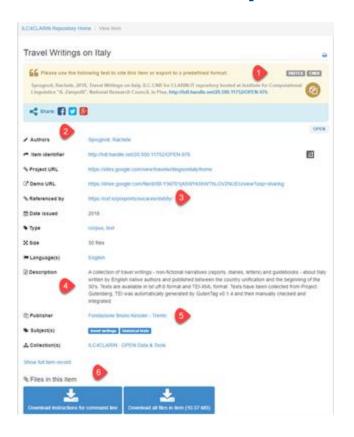
https://ilc4clarin.ilc.cnr.it/

### **Linguistic Resources in ILC4CLARIN**

To see the different types of Language Resources and understand the metadata model, see for example the ILC4CLARIN repository

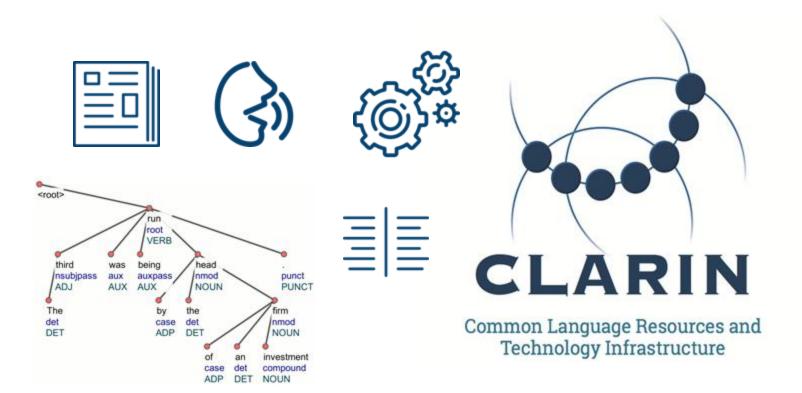


# Example of a corpus in ILC4CLARIN



- Citation information via handle
- 2. Metadata fields describing the corpus
- 3. Corpus is cited in a journal
- 4. Corpus is described, e.g. texts are available in UTF-8 and TEI-XML
- 5. Publisher information
- 6. Download instructions

# **Linguistic Resources in CLARIN**



https://www.clarin.eu/

### **CLARIN** Resource Families

#### **Resource Families**

- Well-curated corpora and lexical resources organized by data type and language
- NLP tools
- Licensing information
- Can be downloaded directly
- Some corpora are available through concordances, e.g. Korp, Corpuscle or KonText

### **CLARIN** Resource Families

#### Corpora

- Computer-Mediated
   Communication Corpora
- Corpora of Academic Texts
- Historical Corpora
- L2 Learner Corpora
- Legal Corpora
- Literary Corpora
- Manually Annotated Corpora
- Multimodal Corpora
- Newspaper Corpora
- Oral History Corpora
- Parallel Corpora
- Parliamentary Corpora
- Reference Corpora
- Sign Language Resources
- Spoken Corpora

#### **Lexical Resources**

- Language Models
- Lexica
- Dictionaries
- Conceptual Resources
- Glossaries
- Wordlists

#### Tools

- Corpus Query Tools
- Normalisation
- Named Entity Recognition
- Part-of-Speech Tagging and Lemmatisation
- Tools for Sentiment Analysis

### What is CLARIN



CLARIN is a distributed digital infrastructure that provides easy and sustainable access to a wide range of linguistic data and tools to support research in the humanities, social sciences and beyond. CLARIN provides access to multimodal digital linguistic data (text, audio, video) and advanced tools to explore, analyse or combine these data sets.

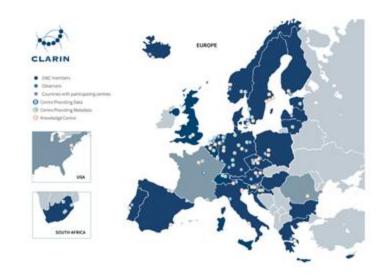


### CLARIN...

- It belongs to the Social Sciences and Humanities cluster and is an integral part of the European Open Science Cloud
- It has had ESFRI ERIC status since 2012, Landmark status since 2016
- It acts as an ecosystem for knowledge sharing and training
- It provides easy and sustainable access to scholars in the humanities and social sciences and beyond, to digital linguistic data (in written, spoken or multimodal form); to advanced tools to discover, explore, exploit, annotate, analyse or combine them through single sign-on

# **CLARIN** Today

- Una rete distribuita di 72 centri (<u>Centre</u> <u>Registry</u>)
- 25 membri: AT, BE, BG, CY, CZ, DK, EE,ES, FI, GR, HR, HU, IS, IT, LT, LV, NL, NO,PL, PT, SE, SI, ZA, UK
- 1 osservatore: CH
- Terza parte: Università Carnegie Mellon,
   USA



**CLARIN ERIC** 



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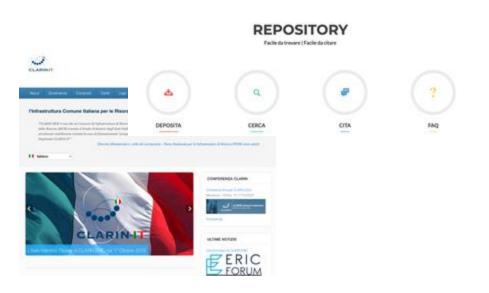


Centri CLARIN

### **National Consortia: CLARIN-IT**

CLARIN-IT is the Italian node of CLARIN. Italy became the 16th full member of CLARIN ERIC in 2015. The founding member of the national Consortium is the Institute for Computational Linguistics "Antonio Zampolli" of the National Research Council, CLARIN is involved in the H2IOSC project through its Italian national consortium CLARIN-IT





### **CLARIN-IT**

### CLARIN-IT comprehends the following centres:

- <u>ILC4CLARIN</u> istituito presso il CNR Istituto di Linguistica Computazionale "Antonio Zampolli" di Pisa, è un centro di fornitura servizi (<u>Type B</u>)
- <u>EURAC Research CLARIN Centre</u> (ERCC) presso l'EURAC Research Association di Bolzano, che è un centro di fornitura metadati (<u>Type C</u>)
- The Knowledge Centre for Computer-Mediated Communication and Social Media Corpora (CKCMC), che è un centro CLARIN di Tipo K, che mette a disposizione le proprie competenze e la propria conoscenza su aspetti del dominio disciplinare di CLARIN
- The CLARIN Knowledge Centre for Digital and Public Textual Schholarship
  (DiPText), anch'esso un centro di tipo K distribuito fra due partner: CNR-ILC e
  l'Università Ca' Foscari di Venezia

# **FAIR** principles in **CLARIN**

- FINDABLE through access points such as the Virtual Language Observatory and Federated Content Search
- ACCESSIBLE through CLARIN centers that provide repositories, metadata, and a federated login system
- INTEROPERABLE through the Language Switchboard, the use of vocabularies (Concept Registry), and clear and well-documented ways of linking metadata
- REUSABLE through licensing, formats, and standards, active curation of metadata, and link controls

### **CLARIN** core services

- Repository services to ensure that language resources can be archived and made available to the community in a reliable manner and to help researchers maintain their resources sustainably
- <u>Virtual Language Observatory</u> provides an easy-to-use interface, which enables a process of searching and discovering resources from a wide variety of domains
- <u>Federated Content Search</u> a search engine that links to local data collections available in the centers.
- <u>Language Resource Switchboard</u> helps users find a web application to process their linguistic data
- <u>Virtual Collection Registry</u> provides a registry where users can create and publish their virtual collections

### **CLARIN Depositing Services**

Many CLARIN centers offer a storage service. This provides many advantages:

- Long-term archiving and curation of language resources, data sets and tools
- Description of resources with specific metadata and assignment of persistent identifiers (PIDs), e.g. Handles, that allow easy search and citation
- Password-protected resources can be made available via an institutional login
- Once integrated into the CLARIN infrastructure, resources can be more easily analyzed and enriched with various language tools

# Servizi di Deposito

### Depositare una risorsa in CLARIN:

- Search for a repository hosted by a CLARIN Centre curating the type of data you produced <u>Depositing Services</u>
- Check for data compatibility in the <u>CLARIN Standards Information System</u>
- Contact the type B center hosting the repository for data preparation
- Follow the procedure described in the repository guidelines

### **How to deposit**

### How to access CLARIN

All users can freely explore CLARIN central services to search for language resources and expertise. Due to licensing restrictions, some resources are only available to academic users and login is required using institutional credentials or CLARIN credentials.

Academic users from all participating countries can access and use the language resources available in the CLARIN data centers with a single signon through the CLARIN Service Provider Federation using their institutional credentials.

### **CLARIN Service Provider Federation**



Select your home organisation below. This is usually the organisation where you work or study. Signing in here will allow you to access certain CLARIN resources and services which are only available to users who have logged in. If you cannot find your organisation in the list below, please select the clarin.eu website account and use your CLARIN website credentials. If you don't have such credentials you can register an account here. For questions please contact spf@clarin.eu.

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### **CLARIN Identity Provider**

CLARIN Identity Provider CLARIN A CLARIN account registration Thank you for your interest in CLARIN. Please complete the form below. After your registration is processed (normally within two working days), an automated email will be sent to your email address for verification. Click on the included link to verify. your email address and activate your account. (if you do not receive this email please make sure to check your spam folder). After your account is active you can download. explore and analyze password-protected language data with the CLARIN Identity Provider. The minimal password length is 8 characters. Use a mix of letters, numbers and symbols. Signing up with an academic email address will ensure maximal access rights and fast approval. We strongly recommend it. For questions and remarks about this procedure, please check our knowledge base or contact accounts@clanin.eu E-mail address: \*

# Trovare risorse linguistiche pubblicate

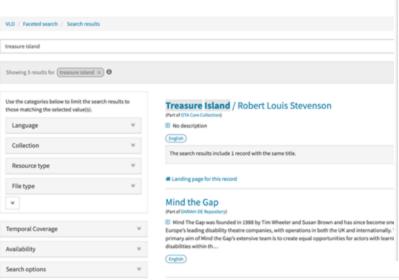
### **Virtual Language Observatory**

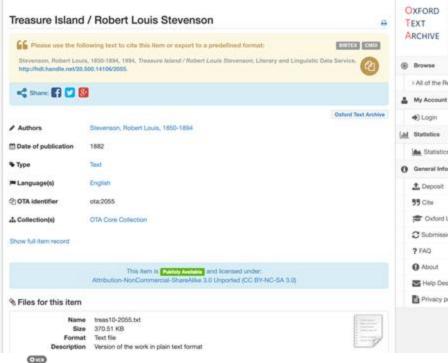
- A catalog that collects metadata about language resources available in distributed repositories
- Does not contain language resources, but helps locate them through persistent identifiers
- Even if a resource has restricted access, metadata is always freely accessible
  - Uses faceted search to narrow searches

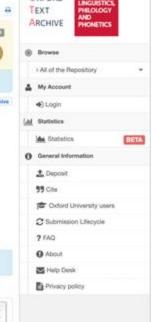
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# **CLARIN Virtual Language Observatory**







#### La isla del tesoro - Spanish

(Part of DobeS archive: Movima)

® The Movima Archive Movima is a genetically unclassified language spoken in the so-called Moxes region in the savannahs of the Bolivian Amazon area. It is still spoken by more than 1,000 people (1,452 in 1996). Most speakers are over 50 years old and bilingual in Spanish. There are only very few children who

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### I Metadati

The purpose of metadata for a learning resource is to enable cataloging and discovery through standardized means to report:

- Who created the resource
- What the content of the resource is
- When the resource was created
- Where the resource is located
- Why the resource was created

Metadata must be in standard (i.e. compatible and shared with other resources) and machine-readable formats to be indexable, searchable, comparable, and storable

# Persistent Identifiers (PIDs)

A persistent identifier (PID) is a type of metadata. Its purpose is to uniquely label a digital object and ensure that this label does not change over time

There are different types of PIDs, such as DOI (digital object identifier), Handle (HNDL), ARK (Archival Resources Key)

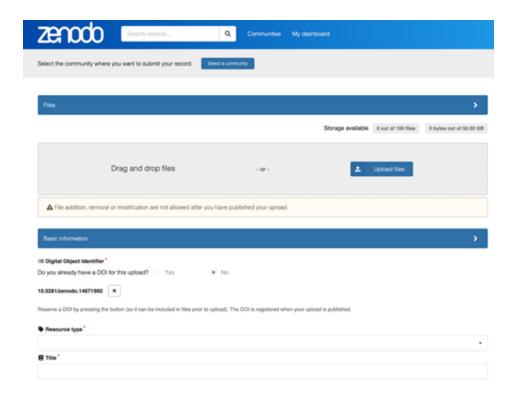
#### Examples:

- DOI: <u>10.5281/zenodo.8305539</u>
- Handle: hdl.handle.net/20.500.11752/ILC-567

# Persistent Identifiers (PIDs)

Using a PID you can get to an accessible page with the listed digital object and its metadata. Actual access to the digital object from this page can be restricted. PIDs are machine readable and help distinguish between:

- Different materials
- Different versions of the same material, for example: <a href="https://zenodo.org/records/13">https://zenodo.org/records/13</a>
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# Quiz



# What is a Data Management Plan?

## A Data Management Plan

A **Data Management Plan (DMP)** is a formal document that describes how data will be managed during and after a research project.

Its main purpose is to **ensure that data are well-organized, accessible, usable, and preserved over time**, in line with FAIR (Findable, Accessible, Interoperable, Reusable) principles and open science best practices.

## **Key elements**

A DMP usually includes information on:

#### Type of data

- What data will be collected, generated, or reused?
- In what format will it be stored?

#### Standards and metadata

- What standards will be followed to ensure interoperability and reuse?
- How will the data be documented?

#### **Key elements**

#### Storage and Security

- Where and how will data be stored during the project?
- What security measures will be taken to protect them?

#### Sharing and access

- What data will be made publicly accessible?
- Will there be specific restrictions or licensing requirements?

## **Key elements**

- Responsibility and long-term management
  - Who will be responsible for data management?
  - Where and for how long will they be stored after the end of the project?

## Why having a DMP is important?

- Helps researchers organize and manage data efficiently
- Facilitates sharing and reuse by other scholars
- Is often a requirement for obtaining funding from public and private entities
- Reduces the risk of data loss or corruption over time

Some funding agencies, such as the European Commission and the National Science Foundation (NSF), require a DMP as part of project proposals.



Create machine actionable DMPs.

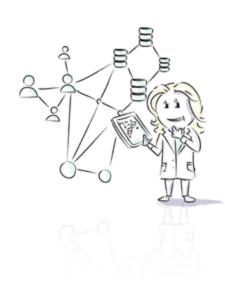
Configure to best fit your discipline.

Link to EOSC components out of the box.

**Share** easily in your repository.

Bring your Data Management Plans closer to where data are generated, analysed and stored.

Start your DMP



#### **Exercise**

Guided tour of a DMP with a case study

https://docs.google.com/document/d/1p38h1jUdP8iFTlpc9iR2MNXa44NP9j-NEoz5x3Rb2s/edit?tab=t.0

## Workshop

Try and fill in a DMP with the template

## Register now!





# What is the **H2IOSC Training Environment?**

The H2IOSC Training Environment is a training management platform designed to **offer a highly interactive virtual learning environment**. It ensures a smooth and inclusive experience for all users through:

- A user-friendly interface
- Access from desktop and mobile
- No time or space limits

The platform emphasizes interactivity by offering quizzes, simulations, hands-on exercises and, gamification tools that make learning more engaging.

## **Questionnaire**



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# Call for H2IOSC Transnational Mobility Grants

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The H2IOSC project is pleased to announce a new opportunity for researchers: the Transnational Mobility Grants. These grants are designed to **encourage research** collaborations and knowledge exchange between CLARIN centres in Italy and across Europe.

#### **Grant Opportunities**

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