

The CLARIN Knowledge Sharing Infrastructure

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Knowledge sharing infrastructure



- Sharing of data and tools is good, but not sufficient in order to make it work
- Knowledge and expertise should also be shared
- Many different audiences
- Many different instruments
- This requires organisation: the CLARIN technical infrastructure cannot be optimally effective without a complementing knowledge sharing infrastructure (KSI)

Flows of knowledge and information





Horizontal:

- Between infrastructures (CLARIN ERIC)
- Between (emerging) national consortia (CL ERIC)
- Between data, service and knowledge providers
- Between users

Vertical:

- Between CL ERIC and (emerging) national consortia
- Between CL ERIC and data and service providers
- Between providers and (potential) users
- Towards general public

Knowledge centres



- Knowledge centres (virtual or physical)
- Could be based on
 - Language (Danish, French, Sami)
 - Discipline (History, Political Sciences, Theology)
 - Modality (Speech, sign language)
 - Technology (Parsing, OCR, machine learning)

Instruments



Reactive

- Social networks
- Service desks
 - hot experts: human who helps you doing your research
 - cold experts: human who listens and refers or gives advice
 - virtual experts: automatic QA
 - scholarships to visit experts
 - database of questions and answers (FAQ)

Instruments





Proactive

- Website and mailing lists
- Education
 - E-learning (on-line courses, movies)
 - Curriculum development
 - Courses, summer schools, tutorials
 - Presence at humanities events
 - Books, documents
- Awareness, promotion
 - Press & media
 - Demonstrators, showcases

This session



- K-centres:
 - Which ones can we / should we offer
 - Requirements (availability, critical mass, sustainability, quality assurance, service level)
 - Scope (national/international)
 - Funding
- Instruments:
 - What works for which flows, what doesn't work
- KSI committee