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(Joined with the Center Assessment Workshop in Copenhagen)

## 1 Action list

Ref#	Action	By whom	By when
Last SCCTC	Send names and email addresses of deputy-delegates to Dieter van Uytvanck	All delegates; some have been provided	ASAP
Last SCCTC	Make online table for estimating the rate of public/academic/restricted resources	Dieter van Uytvanck, Arwin van der Zwan	Next meeting
6+7	Report Centers not in the center registry to Thorsten Trippel and Dieter van Uytvanck	All delegates, some are complete	ASAP
9	Streamlining a process for inclusion of individuals in the Clarin IDP that are not in one of the partner IDPs	AAI taskforce	ASAP
10	SPF revision	Dieter van Uytvanck with support from Arwin van der Zwan	ASAP
10	Task force: call for participants for FCS, CMDI, PID, Metadata curation	Dieter van Uytvanck	Next meeting
11	Create Center mailing list	Dieter van Uytvanck	Next meeting
12	Doodle for next appointment end of May	Thorsten Trippel	ASAP

## 2 Participants, time, place

Committee members: Ronald Haentjens Dekker, Matej Durco, Guido Gerritsen, Ivajlo Ivanov, Bart Jongejan, Krista Liin, Wim Kok, Tomas Krilavicius, Karlheinz Moerth, Lene Offersgaard, Maciej Piasecki, Oliver Schonefeld, Kiril Simov, Ivan Skoglund, Pavel Stranak, Paul Trilsbeek, Thorsten Trippel, Dieter Van Uytvanck, Remco van Veenendaal, Kadri Vider, Marta Villegas, Freddy Wetjen, (Peter Wittenburg, during presentation)

CLARIN-ERIC office: Thorsten Trippel

Chair: Dieter van Uytvanck

Date and Time: 2013-04-25, 13:30 – 16:30 CET

Location: University of Copenhagen

## 3 Agenda

- Welcome and Agenda

- Approval of the minutes (<http://www.clarin.eu/sc-centers>)
- Actionlist
- Assessment procedure for centre candidates
- State of affairs of each member
- IDP
- Workplan 2013
- Next meeting
- AOB

The agenda was adopted.

## **4 Welcome**

The participants were welcomed by the chair, including the participants of the assessment workshop usually not part of the SCCTC.

## **5 Approval of Minutes from the last meeting**

The minutes of the SCCTC in March were approved.

## **6 Action list**

Open issues on the action list not being a separate point on the agenda is the nomination of deputies for the SCCTC in case of the unavailability of the usual delegate. Some countries are still missing here and are asked to provide the names directly to Arwin van der Zwan, possibly CCing Dieter van Uytvanck and Thorsten Trippel.

Missing Clarin centers in the center registry should also be reported to Thorsten Trippel. It was suggested to allow for a repository URL field. At present it is only possible to add a website with a description saying that this is the page of the repository.

## **7 Assessment procedure for center candidates**

The next assessment batch will be starting in September. The center assessment procedure (<http://www.clarin.eu/node/3767>) is provisional, it should be added that the results of the assessment will be made publicly available. Other missing information will be added.

The Center Registry will serve as the authoritative list of centers, listing all available information. Every Clarin member has to have at least one B-center.

## **8 State of affairs of each member**

Each participant was asked to report on the state of their repository and when the assessment will take place.

Austria: the repository has been set up physically, it is up and running; the OAI-PMH endpoint provides CMDI-metadata. The assessment is planned for September-November 2013.

Bulgaria: the situation is currently unclear w.r.t. the repository, but there are plans to join federated search.

Czech Republic: they are ready for assessment, but the document has not been submitted yet, the assessment should be possible towards the end of the first batch

Denmark: the repository progresses as expected, the repository will be ready for assessment in September-November

Estonia: the physical set up of the repository has been delayed and the repository not completely up and running. Metadata is available in CMDI, and PIDs are available. The repository is targeting assessment towards the end of the second assessment phase.

Germany: 9 centers are in the assessment process, 5 of them have been granted the DSA already. By May the results should become available.

Netherlands: DANS wanted to join first assessment batch, but was delayed. The centers will participate in the second batch of assessments.

Poland: currently the required personnel is being hired, the assessment will not be ready before the beginning of 2014.

DLU: the target date for the assessment is the end of 2013, but some political obstacles have to be resolved before.

Norway: the creation of repositories is on the way. Norway tries to join forces with other centers and learn from their experiences, for example using mobility programs.

Oxford University: for political reasons they are not likely to join Clarin.

Universita Pompeu Fabre (Barcelona): UPF hosts a C-center, using handles issued for the university. UFP focuses on services more than on resources.

## 9 IDP

If a country does not have a central IDP, it may be required to setup a national IDP by Clarin. A procedure for users outside of Europe will have to be created, individuals could be hosted via the European CLARIN IDP, but here also a streamlined process needs to be defined.

Currently, the Clarin IDP is no longer connected with the [www.clarin.eu](http://www.clarin.eu) website login, but to the user.clarin.eu login. It is planned to connect the [www.clarin.eu](http://www.clarin.eu) site to the user.clarin.eu accounts as soon as possible.

## 10 Workplan 2013

The individual workitems and their status were discussed.

SPF: some signatures are needed, when Arwin van der Zwan is back the gathering of the signatures can start (see: <http://www.clarin.eu/node/3758>).

Center Registry: this is a central registry used for monitoring the services for example for the OAI-PMH and SRU/CQL if provided. Hence each center should regularly check and update the information.

Setup of repositories: this task has the highest priority for all members not having a repository available yet.

New work item: the metadata curation should be included in the work plan as a constant task.

Formation of task forces: There are four task forces that will be initiated: FCS, PID (ad-hoc group to be extended), CMDI, and Metadata curation.

The CMDI task force will work on CMDI 1.2 and semi-controlled vocabulary services, changes to schemas, etc. Interested parties are welcome to join. Automated reports may be possible after the CMDI task force introduced further standardization.

Also the other task forces are looking for volunteers. Remco van Veenendaal volunteers for the PID taskforce. A call for other volunteers will be send out to the SCCTC.

## **11 AOB**

PID policy: The ad-hoc PID taskforce agreed that it is essential for those providing PID for their resources to make transparent if the PID refers to a resource as such, the website of a resource or something else. The details of this recommendation are available at <http://www.clarin.eu/node/3757>

A first survey shows that CLARIN centers provide most of their resources to the academia (ACA) and the public (PUB). Fewer resources are more restricted (RES). Though the method of counting can be seen as problematic given many forms of licences, this is a positive result.

New website clarin.eu: Some features of the new website are not available yet, for example the group feature is not used so far. The SCCTC documents can be found under "Technical infrastructure"

Center mailing list: Dieter van Uytvanck will create a center mailing list including all centers, not only the SCCTC.

Controlled Vocabulary meeting: An OpenSKOS/Klavas service meeting will take place at May 17th, in Utrecht, interested parties should contact Dieter van Uytvanck.

## **12 Next meeting**

For the next meeting, a flashmeeting again, Thorsten Trippel will create a doodle.