Assessment Committee
CAC 2022

Lene Offersgaard
B-Centre assessments status

Period: mid-Sep 2021– Oct 2022 (round 18 & 19)

One new B-centre: CLARIN-EL

One more new in CTS process: CLARIN-LV

Re-assessment of centres with renewed CTS:

- Meertens Instituut
- The Language Archive

In Assessment process: 7 (round 19)

- BAS has got the CTS
- 6 centres in CTS process

Centres from earlier rounds still in the CTS process: 3

- Getting the CTS easily takes 6 months!
Steps to become a B Centre:

1. First become a C-centre (metadata-harvest to VLO)
2. Fill in the application for CTS (CLARIN will pay the fee)
3. Fill in the checklist - questions always welcome
4. Apply for B-centre certification: send checklist and attach your CTS application when applying
5. Be prepared to answer questions from us
6. Prepare feedback to CTS, when requested
7. Tell us when you get the CTS

Mail us: assessment@clarin.eu
Next rounds

Next Deadlines:  
October 31, 2022
April 28, 2023

Get help from Curation Dashboard for checking your resources: https://curation.clarin.eu/

The B-centres with a positive assessment will receive the B-centre label when they get the Core Trust Seal.

Checklist will have minor updates before April 2023

Validity

The B-centre status is synchronised with Core Trust Seal validity: 3 years

Questions: assessment@clarin.eu
Changes in committee

Committee until Oct 2022
Lene Offersgaard (chair), DK
Jozef Misutka (vice chair), CZ
Cyprian Laskowski, SI
Daan Broeder, NL
Riccardo Del Gratta, IT
Tomas Krilavičius, LT

Committee for formal approval
Menzo Windhouwer (chair), NL
Daan Broeder, NL
Riccardo Del Gratta, IT
Tomas Krilavičius, LT
Rune Kyrkjebø, NO
Samúel Þórisson, IS
SCCTC Activities 2021-2022

CLARIN Annual Conference 2022

Martin Matthiesen
• **Standing Committee for CLARIN Technical Centres: Basic facts**
  - Ensure technical consistence between centres
  - Liaise with Centre Assessment Committee
  - Report to Board of Directors
  - Forum to exchange ideas and experiences
  - **sc-centers@lists.clarin.eu**

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### Activities 2021-2022

- 9 meetings held
- Centre Assessment Checklist amended with recommendations for federated login
- Information exchange on Sensitive Data
- New push for cross border backups
- New push for “refreshing” committees and taskforces

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### Centre Assessments 2021/2022

- Re-assessment of 4 centres:
  - MPI for Psycholinguistics
  - The Language Bank of Finland
  - Meertens institute
  - CLARIN:EL
- Upcoming assessments
  - U Tübingen
  - CLARINO
  - INT (NL)
  - ZIM

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### Taskforces and Interest Groups

**Metadata:** Development of the CMDI Metadata model, metadata curation

**Co-ordinators:** Twan Goosen and Menzo Windhouwer,

**Contact:** cmdi-tf@lists.clarin.eu

- Organised "CMDI session" on vocabularies
- Work towards adapting the metadata infra to the use of Skosmos for concepts and controlled vocabularies: migrating of vocabularies + required modelling, adapting Component Registry, deployment of Skosmos instance (currently still at HuC in NL).
- Updates to [the core components](#)
- Work towards CMDI support in Dataverse

**Federated Content Search:** Full Text Search across CLARIN centres

**Co-ordinator:** Leif-Jöran Olsson, **Contact:** lf-fcs@lists.clarin.eu

**In Progress:** Imoriving FCS takeup via “Text+”

**Persistent Identifiers:** One cornerstone of good data management

**Co-ordinators:** Daan Broeder

**Contact:** https://clarineric.slack.com/messages/C60QVPST7

**In Progress:** CLARIN PID documentation

**Fedora SIG:** Interestgroup for users of Fedora Commons within CLARIN

**Co-ordinator:** Thomas Eckard, **Contact:** lg-fedora@lists.clarin.eu

**In Progress:** Experience sharing about Fedora 6
Knowledge Infrastructure

Bente Maegaard
Chair of KIC

CLARIN Annual Conference
11 October 2022
Technical Infrastructure and Knowledge Infrastructure

• CLARIN comprises two parallel and complementary infrastructures:
  • the technical infrastructure to share data and tools, and
  • the knowledge infrastructure to share knowledge and expertise
Knowledge Infrastructure Committee – KIC

Our task as described in the by-laws

• The KIC’s roles are twofold:

  • Advise the BoD about:
    - the KI strategy and policy, i.e. how to shape and implement the KI;
    - the promotion of the KI-related activities;
    - approval of applications, e.g. for the establishment of new Knowledge centres and for funding instruments for which opinion is sought.

  • Implement:
    - parts of the strategy, in agreement with the BoD.

• Hence, the activities of the KIC include both policy-related tasks and operational tasks.
Activities the past year

K-centres are the most important part of our portfolio

https://www.clarin.eu/content/knowledge-centres

• One new K-centre has been approved
  - CLARIN Knowledge Centre for Digital and Public Textual Scholarship (IT)
  - And one K-centre (Belarus) has been suspended

• CLARIN now has 25 K-centres, and two more applications are in the pipeline

• The second workshop for K-centres was organised Dec 2021. Purpose: promote collaboration between K-centres. Very well received, these workshops will be repeated.
Activities the past year + Plans

- 19 K-centres had their certificate renewed.
- Best Practice papers collection has started with K-centre papers.

Plans

- Continue supporting K-centre visibility, try to make sure we have the right K-centres
- Organise K-centre workshop, investigate other ways of supporting K-centres and their collaboration
- Visibility of KI: Unfortunately, the current structure of the CLARIN website still lacks coherence wrt the Knowledge Infrastructure, but we are in contact.
see you @

www.clarin.eu
or
bmaegaard@hum.ku.dk;
UPDATE FROM THE CLARIN LEGAL AND ETHICAL ISSUES COMMITTEE

Paweł Kamocki
• Launch and maintenance of the Legal Information Platform (https://www.clarin.eu/content/legal-informationplatform);
• Launch and maintenance of the CLARIN licensing templates;
• Regular publications on legal and ethical issues (articles, White Papers, chapter in the CLARIN Book);
• Organisation of workshops and events (next one: CLARIN Café on TDM exceptions, November 8);
• Creation of Legal Tech tools (Public License Selector, License Category Calculator, Consent Form Wizard).
NEW DEVELOPMENT: DATA GOVERNANCE ACT

- Adopted on 30 May 2022
- Entry into application: 24 September 2023
- Reuse of protected (copyright, personal data) data held by Public Sector Bodies
- Framework for providers of Data Intermediation Services
- Framework for Data Altruism Organisations
- Creation of the European Data Innovation Board

- More about it today at 15:05 (Kamocki, Lindén)
Paweł Kamocki

UPDATE FROM THE CLARIN LEGAL AND ETHICAL ISSUES COMMITTEE
CLARIN Standards Committee

Piotr Banski (Chair)
IDS Mannheim, CLARIN-D
Highlights

We met on 10.10.2022. Highlights:

- the committee welcomed Antal van den Bosch as the new liaison to the BoD,
- newest release of the SIS
- chapter on Standards and the work of the CSC in the 10th anniversary CLARIN book, co-authored by Hanna Hedeland and Piotr Bański
Highlights (cont.)

Firm prospects:
• for tighter cooperation with the Centres Committee, and
• for exchange with the Assessment Committee.

CSC’s aims for the next cycle:
• tightening CLARIN-internal links, and
• strengthening the CLARIN message to the the CLARIN and outside communities.
What the Standards Information System offers

• End users: know where you can bring your data; know more about your data;
• CLARIN devs: look up information about formats, including how they trend;
• B-centers: an easy way to handle one of the (re)certification requirements;
• CLARIN governance: get one of the KPIs computed dynamically.
Why you want to ask your NC to be appointed as a member...

• Strategists: work on harmonisation of standards between CLARIN ERIC and related initiatives;
• Managerial types: devise new types of statistics about CLARIN centres and by extension CLARIN in general;
• CLARIN infrastructure developers: apply/share your experience and be part of standardization in the making;
• XQuery / database afficionados: work on further development of the SIS.
User Involvement Committee

Maria Gavriilidou, Chair of UIC
11 October 2022
Prague, Czechia
Tasks of the UIC

• UIC members act as antennas for the dissemination
  • of CLARIN ERIC UI activities to the national level
  • of national level activities to CLARIN ERIC and the other national consortia

• focus on national UI activities
Overview of National UI activities in 2022

- 189 UI activities recorded
  - max: Sweden (40), Poland (30), Italy (21)
  - > 11: Finland (13), Austria and Greece (12 each), and Norway (11)
  - > 1: almost all members & observers
Types of activities

- Teaching activities (30.15%)
- Organisational activities (23.12%)
- Academic dissemination (22.11%)
- Media dissemination (6.03%)
- Other (18.6%)
New types of activities

• **Technical/administrative**: meetings held among national consortia & third parties for the preparation of project proposals/applications for funding

• **User support**: activities having to do with user support and training

  ❯ The increase of User support events indicates the gradual formation of a CLARIN user community that needs support.

• **Research tasks**: collaborations bringing together CLARIN teams and their users to perform specific research objectives
National UI activities

- broad range of disciplines covered
- many different types of activities, some of them reported for the first time (e.g., continuous user support and consultation)
- CLARIN national consortia seem to have come to closer contact with their users
- recording of user needs
- adaptation of the activities and relevant educational materials to these needs
- recognition of the need for practical sessions to complement theoretical lectures
- the integration of CLARIN-related content in university courses material is gaining ground