

# CLARIN-PLUS WORKSHOP: Working with Digital Collections of Newspapers

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## CONTRIBUTION TO CLARIN GOALS

- Researchers, most of them not yet familiar with CLARIN, are introduced to the possibilities language technology can offer
- Curators are aware where and how to connect their data to the CLARIN infrastructure and tools
- CLARIN found out more about the requirements of researchers, and how we can support them



## INVITED TALK

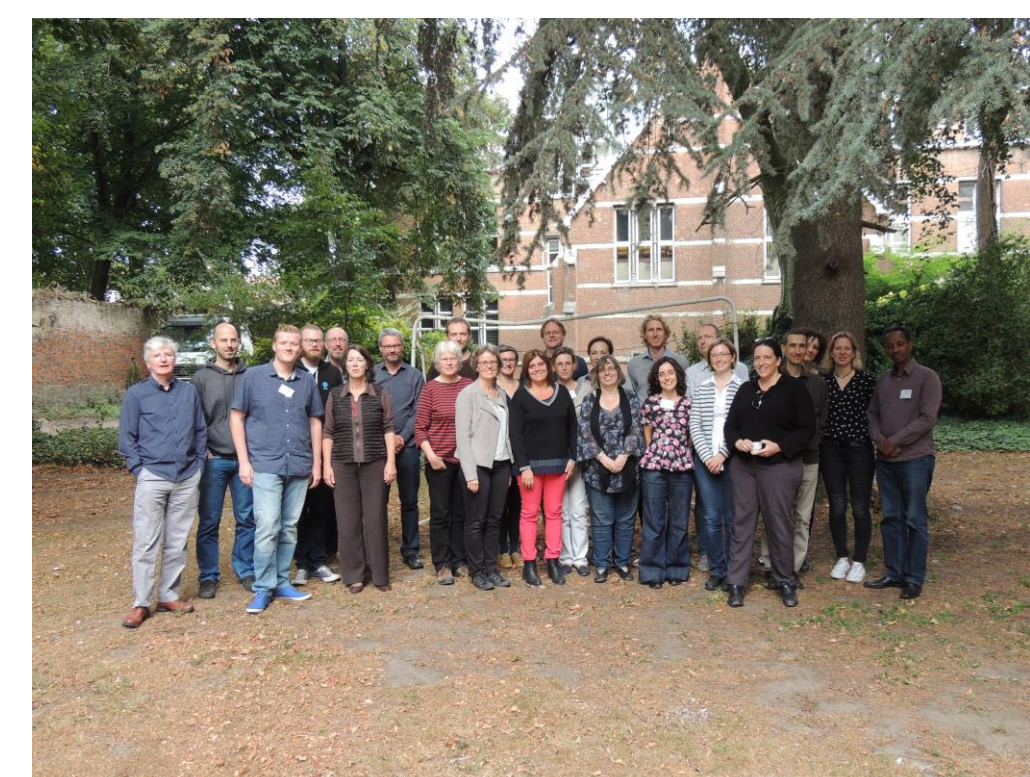
### • “Tracing conceptual changes in messy data (2): Self-reliance as boon and bane”

Prof.dr. Joris van Eijnatten, Utrecht University

In this talk, prof. van Eijnatten sketched the problems he faced when trying to determine the frequency of locations in weather forecasts, and to plot them on a dynamic, time-based graph:

- available tools are great, but they are only a first step
- it is difficult to get insight in tools (and time-consuming)
- help is often expensive (CLARIN?)

## PARTICIPANTS



36 participants from 17 countries

## RESULTS

- increased awareness of the availability and usefulness of certain analysis tools, such as concordance tools
- creation of an overview of existing newspaper collections, corpora and tools (currently feedback is being collected)
- awareness of needs of users: OCR (correction, improvement), copyright issues, how to deal with LARGE collections, temporal and spatial dimensions, how to deal with historic language, user-friendlier tools
- Usability tests with users is asked for

## FOLLOW UP

For more information about the workshop visit CLARIN Events

<https://www.clarin.eu/event/2016/clarin-plus-workshop-working-digital-collections-newspapers>

Videos:

[http://videolectures.net/clarinplusworkshop2016\\_leuven/;](http://videolectures.net/clarinplusworkshop2016_leuven/)

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