

The role of CLARIN in supporting SSH scholars

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CLARIN



The CLARIN Dream

A humanities researcher in Maribor consults the CLARIN catalogue and:

- finds relevant text collections in data repositories in Slovenia, Austria and Hungary
- a named-entity recognition tool in the Czech Republic
- performs research on this material, with support from a centre of expertise in the Czech Republic
- uses them to build an enriched version of the text collections, benefitting from the CLARIN interoperability standards
- deposits the annotated text collections in a data repository in Slovenia for later use by others

... and can do all this from their own desk

CLARIN in a Nutshell

1. *‘Common Language Resources and Technology Infrastructure’*
2. **ESFRI** roadmap (2006), **ESFRI** ERIC status (2012), Landmark (2016)
3. Easy and sustainable access for scholars in Social Sciences and Humanities (SSH):
 4. **digital language data** (written, spoken, video or multimodal)
 5. **tools** to discover, analyse, combine data wherever they are located
 6. **single sign-on** environment (**you all can get an account**)
7. Ecosystem for **knowledge exchange**
8. Member of the **SSH Open Cluster**

CLARIN and Open Science

- Promotion of sharing and re-use of language data through **sustainable data registries**
- Adherence to **FAIR data principles**
- Enhancement and deployment of **interoperability of language data & services**
 - **common metadata framework**
 - distributed network of FAIR **certified data repositories** for language data
- Promotion of
 - studying language data from a **comparative** perspective
 - **multidisciplinary** collaboration
 - **transnational** research
 - **responsible** data science
- Support for **linguistic diversity**
 - **data** covering many languages
 - **tools** for many languages
 - language resources in **all modalities**
 - **discipline-** and **language-agnostic**

CLARIN's Countries

A distributed
**European
Infrastructure
Consortium(ERIC)**
consisting of:

- **27** members



- ERIC members
- Observers
- Countries with participating centres
- Centre Providing Data
- Centre Providing Metadata
- Knowledge Centre



USA



SOUTH AFRICA



CLARIN's Centres (August 2025)



22 CTS-certified data centres

Strong focus on **FAIRness** & **interoperability**:

- Federated login
- Central metadata harvesting for easy discovery
- Chained services

 [Search for B-centres](#)

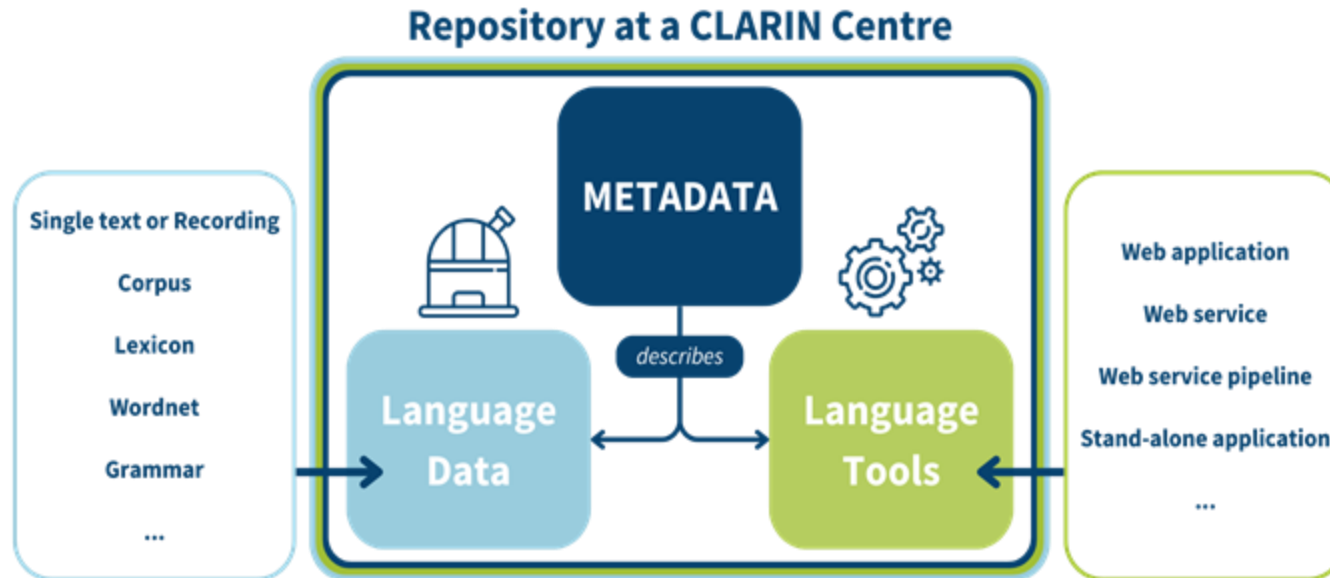


39 Knowledge centres

Operated by a single institute/group or as a distributed structure **covering a large number of research topics, languages and resource types.**

 [Search for K-centres](#)

How CLARIN Works



How CLARIN Works

Home / Web Applications

Web Applications

These shortcuts provide quick access to the central CLARIN web applications:



Content Search

Federated Data Search
Engine



Language Resource Switchboard

Find a suitable tool to
process language data



Virtual Language Observatory

Metadata search interface



Virtual Collection Registry

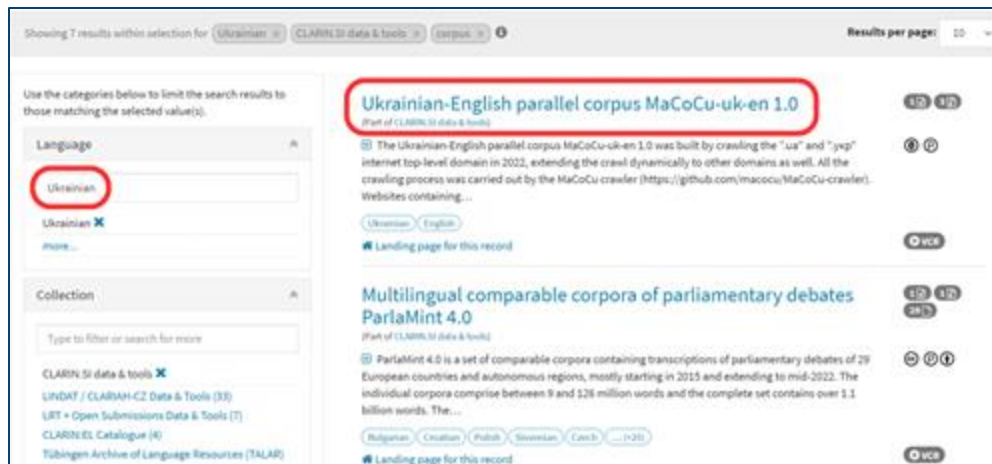
Publish and access digital
bookmarks



Virtual Language Observatory (VLO)

- Facet search to explore **>500,000 language resources, tools, services**
- Metadata to describe resources
- **Persistent Identifiers (HDL)** to access the landing pages of the resources and cite them
- Availability and/or **Licencing**
- Technical details
- Process with **Switchboard**
- Compile search results into a **Virtual Collection**

<https://vlo.clarin.eu>



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BIBTEX

CMDI



Switchboard

Language Resource Switchboard Upload Tool Inventory

Resources

VAB7033.xml 523.57 KiB

Matching Tools

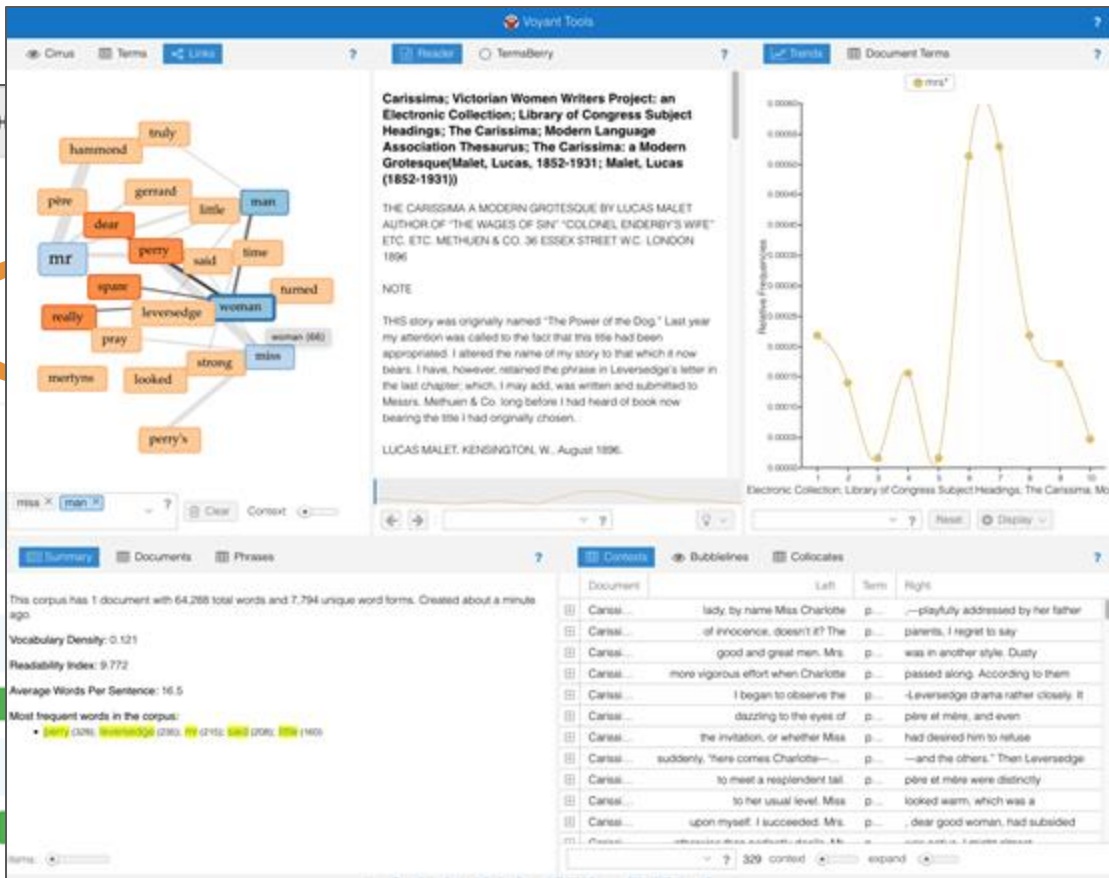
Voyant Tools

Open

Text Tonsorium - Lemmas.

Open

Text Tonsorium - Advanced mode.



Flagship Project - Parlamint

Parliamentary proceedings of 29 European parliaments

Corpora linguistically annotated, named entities, rich metadata

Great example of CLARIN collaboration and interoperability

The ParlaMint corpora are **interoperable**:

- annotated within a specifically developed TEI-based schema

The ParlaMint corpora are **comparable**:

- the same overlapping periods: 2015–2022
- the same metadata (related to speakers, parties, sessions, reactions, etc.)
- the same types of linguistic annotations

Interoperability and comparability are further increased also by **machine translations** into English



Thank you!
Questions & comments welcome!

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