

# LINGUISTICS WITH CLARIN

## INTRODUCTION

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# OVERVIEW

- CLARIN: Introduction
- CLARIN Infrastructure (focus on NL part)
  - CLARIN Portal
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# CLARIN INFRASTRUCTURE

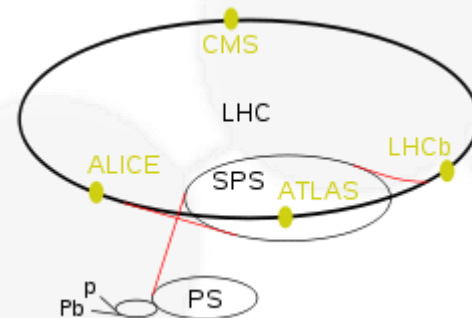
- **A research infrastructure for humanities researchers who work with digital language-related resources**

# CLARIN INFRASTRUCTURE

- Infrastructure:
  - (Usually large-scale) basic physical and organizational resources, structures and services needed for the operation of a society or enterprise
    - Railway network, road network, electricity network, ...
    - eduroam



- Research infrastructure
  - Infrastructure intended for carrying out research: facilities, resources and related services used by the scientific community to conduct top-level research
  - Famous ones: Chile large telescope, CERN Large Hadron Collider



# CLARIN INFRASTRUCTURE

- humanities researcher
  - Linguists, historians, literary scholars, philosophers, religion scholars, ....
  - And a little bit in the social sciences: e.g. political sciences researchers
- Focus here on **linguists**

- Digital language-related resources
  - Data in natural language (texts, lexicons, grammars)
  - Databases about natural language (typological databases, dialect databases, lexical databases, ...)
  - Audio-visual data containing (written, spoken, signed) language (e.g. pictures of manuscripts, av-data for language description, description of sign language, interviews, radio and tv programmes, ...)



# CLARIN INFRASTRUCTURE

- Language in various functions
  - As object of inquiry
  - As carrier of cultural content
  - As means of communication
  - As component of identity

# CLARIN INFRASTRUCTURE

- CLARIN
  - Has not created any new data
  - Has mainly adapted existing data and tools
  - Has created new easy and user-friendly tools for searching, analysing and visualising data

# CLARIN INFRASTRUCTURE

- The CLARIN infrastructure
  - Is distributed: implemented in a network of CLARIN centres
  - Is virtual: it provides services electronically (via the internet)
- The CLARIN infrastructure
  - Is still under construction
    - Highly incomplete
    - Fragile in some respects
  - But you can use many parts already

# CLARIN IN EUROPE

- Prepared by [CLARIN preparatory project](#) (2008-2011)
  - coordinated by Utrecht University
- From Feb 2012 coordinated by the CLARIN-ERIC, hosted by the Netherlands
  - [ERIC](#): a legal entity at the European level specifically for research infrastructures
  - Other ERIC members: AT BG CZ DK DLU EE DE LT NO PL PT SE and growing

# CLARIN IN EUROPE

- CLARIN ERIC: [www.clarin.eu](http://www.clarin.eu)
- National Consortia
  - Austria: [CLARIN+DARIAH Austria](#)
  - Bulgaria:
  - Czech Republic: [LINDAT CLARIN](#)
  - Denmark: [CLARIN Denmark](#)
  - Dutch Language Union: [CLARIN DLU](#) [CLARIN Flanders](#)
  - Estonia: [CLARIN Estonia](#)
  - Germany: [CLARIN-D](#)
  - Netherlands: [CLARIN-NL](#)
  - Norway: [CLARINO](#)
  - Poland: [CLARIN Poland](#)
  - Sweden: [CLARIN Sweden](#)
  - Lithuania:
  - Portugal:
  - ...

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- The CLARIN infrastructure offers services so that a researcher
  - Can find all data and tools relevant for the research
  - Can apply the tools and services to the data without any technical background or ad-hoc adaptations
  - Can store data and tools resulting from the research

via one portal

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- Portal
  - See next presentation

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*'CAN FIND ALL DATA AND TOOLS'*

- Searching for Data: See next Presentation

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# APPLY TOOLS TO DATA

- Illustration 1 (Search): Today, 2<sup>nd</sup> hour
- Illustration 2 (Search & Analysis): Tue 13<sup>th</sup> (OpenSONAR)
- Illustration 3 (Search, Dialect databases): Wed 14<sup>th</sup> (MIMORE)
- Illustration 4 (Enrichment & Search): Thu 15<sup>th</sup> (TTNWW, PaQu)

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*‘CAN STORE THE DATA & TOOLS’*

- What about your research data /software?
  - Make them [CLARIN-compatible](#)
  - → CLARIN tools and services apply to them
    - For analysis, improvement, creation
    - Others can use them more easily
  - Store them at a [CLARIN Centre](#)
    - For long term preservation
    - For easy access by you and others (e.g. via the VLO)
    - For verifiability and replicability of your research
  - More details: Fri 16<sup>th</sup>.

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# GOALS OF THE COURSE

- Introduction to the CLARIN infrastructure
- Introduction to selected functionality within the CLARIN infrastructure
  - Focus on linguistics
  - Focus on results of CLARIN-NL
- Hopefully make you enthusiastic to use the CLARIN infrastructure and functionality in it
  - Because it improves your research
- If you use it, provide feedback
  - Helpdesk: [helpdesk@clarin.nl](mailto:helpdesk@clarin.nl)
  - Service-specific user group lists

# COURSE PROGRAMME

Day	Who	What
Mon 12th	Jan Odijk	Introduction
		Illustrative Usage Case
Tue 13th	Jan Odijk	Search and Analysis with OpenSONAR
Wed 14 <sup>th</sup>	Sjef Barbiers	Search and Analysis in micro-comparative databases with MIMORE
Thu 15 <sup>th</sup>	Jan Odijk	Enrichment and Search (TTNWW, PaQu)
Fri 16th	Jan Odijk	Storing data in CLARIN
		Concluding Overview

# COURSE PROGRAMME

- For more details, see
  - <http://www.clarin.nl/node/2044>
  - [http://www.lotschool.nl/files/schools/2015\\_Winterschool\\_Amsterdam\\_UvA/](http://www.lotschool.nl/files/schools/2015_Winterschool_Amsterdam_UvA/)

**Thanks for your Attention  
And  
Enjoy the Course!**