DIGITAL INFRASTRUCTURE FOR 
THE ARTS AND HUMANITIES

Objectives:
DARIAH-DE supports digitally-enabled research and teaching in the Arts and Humanities. The project is developing a research infrastructure, which will offer tools, core services, and access to research data as well as materials for research and education in the Digital Humanities (DH). The central objective of DARIAH-DE is to enable the interoperability of tools and research data. Following internationally valid and accepted standards and policies, the project aims to ensure long-term preservation and future use of research data. DARIAH-DE also supports and advises researchers as well as research projects in planning and accomplishing humanities research initiatives within a digital environment. Effective ways of handling digital resources, concepts, and methods in the Digital Humanities must be introduced into training and instruction for humanities researchers at all educational and career levels. In close consultation with disciplinary communities, DARIAH-DE coordinates and (where necessary) develops existing study and training courses. Moreover, DARIAH-DE is developing individual qualification modules, such as international workshops for experts dealing with specific themes. This infrastructure will enable researchers to carry out research in an increasingly digital environment, across disciplines and institutions in collaborative ways and towards sustainable results.

On-going activities:
For the first two years of the DARIAH-DE project, the computing centers and software partners participating in the consortium have laid the groundwork for the establishment of a sustainable technical infrastructure based on the requirements and needs of researchers in the Arts and Humanities. Although a productive research infrastructure already exists, there are still some requirements to be addressed in the coming years, together with representatives from the computing centers, the information specialists and the software developers, and partners from the various disciplines in the humanities. As a research-driven infrastructure project, DARIAH-DE confirms that research projects and national as well as international collaborations in particular need sustainable research infrastructures. Currently there are more than 400 researchers from a wide spectrum of disciplines in the humanities and about 30 projects using the options and services provided by DARIAH-DE, such as the Confluence Wiki system, the Developer Portal, resources like VMs, storage, or discipline-specific services. To enhance the stability and usability of research data, DARIAH-DE builds up a research data repository for the Arts and Humanities. This repository supports both, the storage of data in the working progress, as also the long-term preservation of research data.

Results:
DARIAH-DE counts already over 400 users and is cooperating with about 30 partner-projects in Germany and Europe. Furthermore, DARIAH-DE is partner or in exchange with a variety of boards and communities, like EPIC, TEI, NeDIMAH, EUDAT, DASISH. The technical core infrastructure services are fully operational and the list of higher-level services is ever growing. DARIAH-DE services are integrated into a common portal. This allows users to combine services to even more powerful tools.
DARIAH-DE is a stable and trustful research infrastructure for the Arts and Humanities in the field of research, teaching and research-data. External research projects from the Arts and Humanities and service- or tool-providers are cordially invited to cooperate with DARIAH-DE to provide their services and tools in the DARIAH-DE research-infrastructure.
More information about the offers of the German project DARIAH-DE and the European project DARIAH-EU can be found on https://de.dariah.eu/ (German) and https://www.dariah.eu (English).

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