

ADHO SIG DLS

Annual Report 2022

Our past reports can be found here: <https://dls.hypotheses.org/activities/about/about>

Altogether, still due to the Covid-19 pandemic, 2021/2022 was still relatively quiet for SIG DLS. We carried out the activities summed up below. We also planned further activities (see further below).

DH2022 SIG Workshop (July 2022)

The SIG workshop “Not FAIR yet? Infrastructures for Digital Literary Stylistics under the global looking glass” will be conducted online together with the DH2022 Tokyo conference, for details see:

<https://dls.hypotheses.org/1165>

At this workshop on 25 July 2022 we want to tackle the issues of making DLS research data FAIR, taking into account what RIs can offer but also the intrinsic limitations. We do so by inviting three short inputs, representing the perspectives of infrastructures and of researchers, followed by a discussion. Here, prompts from a forth speaker on the Japanese and East Asian research context will be given, addressing FAIR DLS from a diverse and global perspective. We will also collect feedback from researchers prior to and during the meeting, and we envisage the possibility of a position paper on the issue after the conference.

SIG DLS Organization

We further extended outreach and membership to now N= 153 (2021: N= 150) people with subscription on mailing list, and steady membership (N= 93). We used the list serv communication (relatively low frequency), communicated with the SC via email, maintained our trello board, and conducted zoom meetings with all active steering committee members.

Since the last report the active SC met (online)

- 3rd November 2021

- 13th January 2022
- 9th March 2022

We also engaged in networking with related organizations and initiatives, such as the *COST Action Distant Reading for European Literary History* and the *ADHO SIG global::outlook* (see below).

SC members Simone Rebori and Francesca Frontini have been involved in a national project on SIG related topics (infrastructure) in Italy, as has Berenike Herrmann in Germany (committee member of NFDI Text +).

Plotting Poetry

The group [Plotting Poetry is closely linked to the SIG](#), and many of its 86 members are also members of the SIG. The SIG's Steering Committee member Anne-Sophie Bories is a liaison between the SIG and that group. This year, the group published its second collective volume, *Tackling the Toolkit*: https://www.plottingpoetry.org/books/tackling_toolkit/index and organized its 5th conference in Tartu in July, with the endorsement of the SIG, on the theme of "Popular Voices": <https://dls.hypotheses.org/activities>. A third collective volume is expected to be published by De Gruyter in 2022, and the group is now planning its next conference for 2023 in Budapest, with a focus on storytelling.

Other SIG DLS Activities

- A hybrid workshop on [Computational Stylistics Workshop on Emotion and Sentiment Analysis in Literature](#) was co-organised by SIG members Dominique Legallois and Suzanne Mpouli (Paris, June 16 - 17 2022), with the endorsement of the SIG.
- The tool inventory activities are still on hold, as an alignment with other initiatives is judged to be necessary. In particular we refer to the [TAPoR discovery tool](#) which has recently also been integrated in the [SSHOC Marketplace](#). An analysis on how to integrate the Tool inventory with these initiatives should be undertaken.
- SIG DLS blog traffic was low. The initiative of actively promoting blog entries by (new) members is still on hold.

Future

We are currently revisiting the SIG DLS structure and activities in terms of outreach, organization, and focus. The steering committee will be newly composed with the upcoming election that had been further postponed because of the pandemic. To facilitate the transition, we have been working on a new SIG DLS “charta”. The WordPress homepage will need a new theme.

Elections are foreseen for the second half of 2022. Berenike Herrmann will be stepping down as a chair, and Jan Rybicki has communicated he will leave the SC. There are plans of cooperating with other initiatives, which will be discussed at the annual members meeting (25 July).

On behalf of the SIG DLS Steering Committee

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