Database support for humanities

The DCSR provides support to researchers in the humanities for projects based on **structured *corpora* (databases, digital libraries or collections, etc.)**.

The DCSR carries out a technological watch to provide researchers and research groups in the humanities with tools likely to cover some of the digital infrastructure needs encountered in the humanities. In the form of shared services, these tools enable researchers to organise, exploit and expose research databases online thanks to configurable presentation interfaces.

The DCSR relies on tools used and supported by a strong community (individuals and institutions). These tools are made available to researchers as **shared services** in order for the DCSR to provide a lasting and sustainable maintenance for the database and their presentation interfaces.

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The DCSR offers support for each stage of research within the framework of the tools made available :

- **planning**: help with the design and management of digital projects based on structured data (needs assessment, choice of tools and technologies, workflow, data management plan (DMP), etc.);
- **documentation**: help with the choice of relevant standards (ontologies, vocabularies or authoritative information, technologies) in an open science perspective (technical and semantic interoperability of data) to promote the reuse of data.
- **modelling**: to enable data to be used in accordance with researchers' expectations within a database, the DCSR provides guidance with data structuring (conceptual modelling);
- **collection**: assistance in setting up a workflow in accordance with good practices, with the aim of importing data in batches into a database (file naming policy, organisation of metadata, etc.);
- **storage**: the DCSR is in charge of storage and data backup procedures and handles the maintenance of the infrastructure within the framework of the shared tools provided;
- analysis: -
- **exposure**: depending on the needs of the project, and within the limits of the possibilities of the tools deployed, the DCSR can configure specific presentation interfaces for databases;
- **preservation**: the DCSR can coordinate the transfer of research data into a FAIR data repository in order to insure their long term availability when a database is no longer maintained;

- reuse: -

Terms of service

TBD

Contact

Researchers are encouraged to contact the DCSR well in advance (2 months) if the intended support is to help submit a project to a funding agency. Researchers should fill this **form** in order to provide the necessary details regarding the project.

Alternatively, for a one-time request, researchers can also contact directly the following people:

- [Marion Rivoal](#) -- coordination with researchers, needs assessment, data modelling, good pratices in digital project management

- [Loïc Jaouen](#) -- infrastructure, technical assessment and technical support, good pratices in digital project management

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