

FIN-CLARIAH

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Open **Science**

WP 2.4 Terminology



THE HELSINKI **TERM BANK FOR** THE ARTS AND **SCIENCES (HTB)**

- · Wiki-based website consisting of an open and constantly updated database of multilingual terminology for all disciplines within the Arts and Sciences in Finland of benefit to students, researchers, translators, journalists, politicians, everyone
- A platform for academic collaborative work on research terminology and conceptual analysis, with voluntary expert groups in participating subject fields contributing to ensure the quality of the content (nichesourcing)
- A focus on promoting national and minority languages in the Arts and Sciences

WHERE WE **ARE NOW**

- Currently involving around 50 disciplines or specialty fields
- Around 1 000 experts in total
- Ca. 44 000 concept pages & 300 000 terms (incl. language equivalents)

FUTURE PROSPECTS

- The main goal, ultimately, is for all fields within the Arts and Sciences to participate in the collaborative terminology work at the HTR
- Goals for the funding period:
 - Terminology work at the HTB to be integrated into university teaching
 - To activate at least 10 new fields
 - Collaboration with FIN-CLARIN in language technology
 - Activating the FIN-CLARIAH network in the terminology work at the HTB and enhance collaboration in researcher training

CHALLENGES

- Reaching a critical mass in the number and input of experts in each field in order to achieve the required quality standards based on community's self-correction and collective evaluation processes
- Terminological work in the HTB is yet to be considered as a viable part of the academic profession
- Promoting the legitimacy of languages other than English as mediums of scientific communication
- Working and discussing 'publicly.' Transparency in the processes of conducting research and publishing incomplete research may feel awkward to researchers. A profound rethinking of the academic mentality and working culture towards a more open-source approach is required.







