# Data Center for the Humanities (DCH)

Digital Scholarship Skills Study 2014

DCH, DIGITAL HUMANITIES & LIBRARIES





# **Agenda**

- DCH basic points
- DCH staff background & tasks
- Questions for Center/Program Leaders and Staff
- Library Questions





## **DCH** basic points

### DCH = part of CCeH

December 2012: official founding of the Data Center for the Humanities (DCH) at the Faculty of Arts and Humanites of the University of Cologne

February 2013: starting point / origin DCH

End of 14/ Start of 15: DCH will be an institutionlized and established service facility at the Faculty of Arts and Humanities

Initial funding: 2 x 50% FTE for 2 years





# Partner & cooperation

- Faculty of Humanities & Arts (University of Cologne)
- Cologne Center for eHumanities (CCeH)
- Regional Computing Center (RRZK)
- University and City Library (USB) of Cologne
- North Rhine-Westphalian Academy
   of Sciences, Humanities and the Arts (AWK)













## DCH – what for?

- The prevailing research data paradigm assumes that there is primary data that can be archived and research results that can be published.
- This distinction often does not work in the humanities where cultural artefacts are digitized, described, structured, encoded, annotated and contextualized.
- This critical engagement leads to resources that are accessible via complex information systems and via technical interfaces – living systems which have to be kept running in order to make research efforts sustainable.





## **Mission**

Keeping living systems alive!





# **Living systems**

two examples





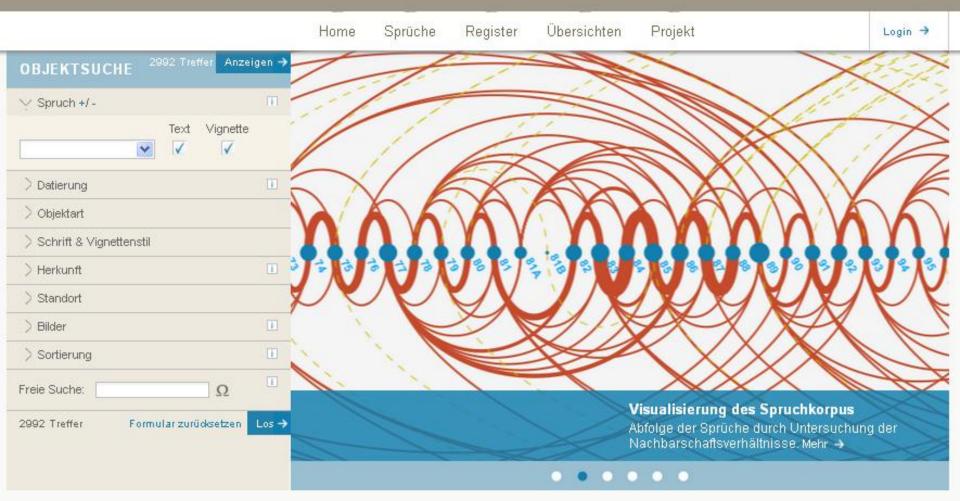




### DAS ALTÄGYPTISCHE

### TOTENBUCH

**FIN DIGITAL ES TEXTZEUGENARCHIV** 



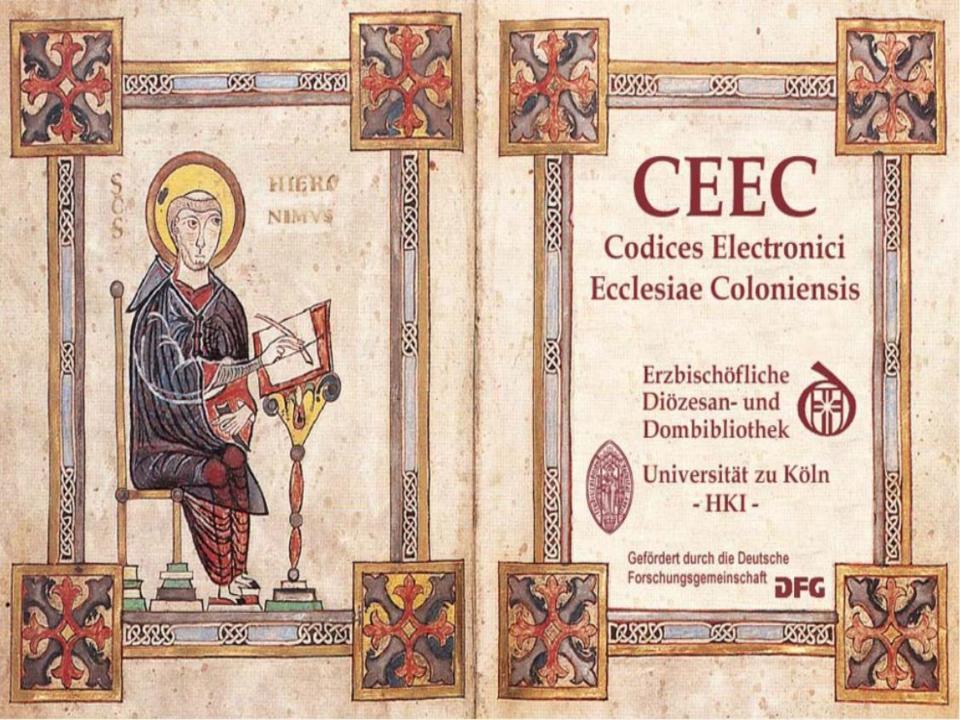
Willkommen beim Totenbuch-Projekt

#### Das Totenbuch

Können Tote lesen? Das Totenbuch bildete im Alten Ägypten über 1500 Jahre hinweg einen Wissensschatz für den Verstorbenen, der ihm in Schriftform mit ins Grab gegeben wurde. Mehr →

#### Das Projekt

Seit 20 Jahren arbeiten Forscher aus Bonn an der Erschließung des wahrscheinlich bedeutendsten und am weitesten verbreiteten Jenseitstexts des Alten Ägypten. Mehr →



# DCH staff - background

### Jonathan Blumtritt

- research associate -> DCH
- reserach associate -> LAC (Language Archive Cologne)
- web development

### Simone Kronenwett

- research associate -> DCH
- research associate -> University & City Library (USB) Cologne
- lecturer -> Humanities Computer Science (HKI)
- ongoing studies "Master in Library and Information Science"
   Cologne University of Applied Science





## DCH staff - task

### Jonathan Blumtritt

- head of DCH-IT
- data curation
- technical infrastructure
- services, portals, accessibility

### Simone Kronenwett

- communication & networking
- public relation
- consulting
- institutional development & collaboration





# Question for Center / Program Leaders and Staff see Patricks answers

What is the mission of your center/ department/ program?
What do you think are the key elements of the success of your center?
What challenges does your center face in accomplishing its mission?

What kind of services and programs does the center offer? Why does it focus on these areas?

What competencies and skills do your staff members currently have?

What competencies and skills do you wish they had?

What incentives and support do staff receive to pursue professional development? What sort of training and educational programs does the center offer to faculty, staff, students, and the larger community? What impact have these programs had? How would you describe the center's culture? How does the center's culture contribute to the ability of staff, faculty, students and the larger community to generate ideas, develop expertise and share knowledge?

In an ideal world, what kind of programs would you like to see both in and beyond the university to help people develop their skills and knowledge in digital scholarship? Where do you see your center going in the future?





## Digital Humanities & Academic Libraries in Germany I

"1. Annual Conference of the Association of Digital Humanities in German speaking countries" (25.-28. March 2014, University of Passau)"

### 2 keynotes

Prof. Dr. John Nerbonne (University of Groningen, EADH president): *Informatic as humanities* 

Prof. Dr. Katja Kwastek (Free University of Amsterdam): From picture to picture. Digital Humanities beyond texts

### 2 ,controversial discussions'

Prof. Dr. Gerhard Heyer (Leipzig) v. Prof. Dr. Manfred Thaller (Cologne): Borders and commonalities: the relation between computer linguistic and digital humanities

Dr. Achim Bonte (Dresden) v. Dr. Thomas Stäcker (Herzog August Library Wolfenbüttel): *Infrastructure for DH, but properly!* (both are librarians!)





## **Digital Humanities & Academic Libraries in Germany II**

"1. Annual Conference of the Association of Digital Humanities in German speaking countries" (June 2014, University of Passau)"

Participating Libraries / Librarians mainly:

- SLUB Dresden (Achim Bonte)
- SUB Göttingen (Heike Neuroth)
- HAB Wolfenbüttel (Thomas Stäcker)
- [USB Cologne (Simone Kronenwett- > as DCH)]





## **Digital Humanities & Academic Libraries in Germany III**

"103. German library day. libraries: we open worlds", 3.-6. June 2014, Bremen

sessions with DH-related content:

- research data management
- information infrastructure for research data
- academic libraries in the digital world
- open access





## Management von Forschungsdaten

Moderator/in: Ralf Brugbauer (Universitätsbibliothek Bayreuth)

Hochschulweites Forschungsdatenmanagement an der Universität Bielefeld Abstract

Najko Jahn (Universitätsbibliothek Bielefeld)

Rolle und Perspektive von re3data.org bei der Förderung von Open Science Abstract Heinz Pampel (Deutsches GeoForschungsZentrum GFZ, Potsdam)

Matthias Töwe (ETH-Bibliothek, Zürich, Schweiz)

Neue Datenformate warten auf uns: Forschungsprimärdaten in der qualitativen Sozialforschung Abstract

Noemi Betancort Cabrera (Staats- und Universitätsbibliothek Bremen)

Data Center for the Humanities Abstract

Simone Kronenwett (Universität zu Köln)

Erhaltung von Forschungsdaten an der ETH Zürich: Komplementäre Kompetenzen von Forschungsgruppen und ETH-Bibliothek Abstract

## Informationsinfrastrukturen für Forschungsdaten

Moderator/in: Frank Scholze (Karlsruher Institut für Technologie (KIT))

Informationsinfrastrukturen für Forschungsdaten Abstract

Heinz Pampel (Deutsches GeoForschungsZentrum GFZ, Potsdam)

Frank Scholze (Karlsruher Institut für Technologie (KIT))

Einführung - Infrastrukturen für Open Science
Stefan Winkler-Nees (Deutsche Forschungsgemeinschaft (DFG))

re3data.org - Stand und Perspektive Heinz Pampel (Deutsches GeoForschungsZentrum GFZ, Potsdam)

LAUDATIO - Long-term Access and Usage of Deeply Annotated Information

Maxi Kindling (Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin)

TERENO - Aufbau einer Dateninfrastruktur für ein Umweltmessnetz in der Norddeutschen Tiefebene Abstract

Vivien Stender (Deutsches GeoForschungsZentrum GFZ, Potsdam)

Angewandte Forschung zu Datenlebenszyklen in der Helmholtz-Gemeinschaft und darüber hinaus <u>Abstract</u>
Christopher Jung (Karlsruher Institut für Technologie (KIT))

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Abschlussdiskussion

## Wissenschaftliche Bibliotheken in der digitalen Welt

Moderator/in: Ulrich Hohoff (Augsburg)

Web 2.0 und wissenschaftliche Bibliothek - geht das überhaupt? Abstract

Stefanie Blum-Effenberger (Universitätsbibliothek der Technischen Universität München)

Open Educational Resources als neue Herausforderung für wissenschaftliche Bibliotheken Abstract

Die Bibliothek als Publikationsmanager für E-Journals Abstract

Jan Neumann (Hochschulbibliothekszentrum des Landes NRW, Köln)

Zwischen physischen Bibliothekräumen und virtuellen Bibliotheksanwendungen – ein Überblick über Services der Universitätsbibliothek Mannheim Abstract

Von der klassischen Infotheke zur virtuellen Auskunft! eDnly an der Universitätsbibliothek der Technischen Universität München Abstract

Rachel Ellis (Staats- und Universitätsbibliothek Bremen)

Angela Leichtweiß (Universitätsbibliothek Mannheim)

Wir öffnen Benutzerkonten Abstract

Jakob Voß (Verbundzentrale des GBV, Göttingen)

Sabine Gehrlein (Universitätsbibliothek Heidelberg)

Yom "Living Lab" hinaus ins wirkliche Leben: Blended Library an der Bibliothek der Universität Konstanz Abstract Angela Barth-Küpper (Bibliothek der Universität Konstanz)



## **Digital Humanities & Academic Libraries in Germany VII**

### **Open Access**

Moderator/in: Jamo Schrader (Universitätsbibliothek Hildesheim)

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	<b>Open-Access-Clearing-Stelle an der Universität Bielefeld. Ein Beitrag zur Verstetigung von Publikationsfonds <u>Abstract</u> Najko Jahn (Universitätsbibliothek Bielefeld)</b>
	<b>Management von Article Processing Charges - Herausforderung für Bibliotheken <u>Abstract</u> Kai Geschuhn (Max Planck Digital Library, München)</b>
	<b>Gold Open Access - eine disruptive Innovation? <u>Abstract</u></b> Bernhard Mittermaier (Forschungszentrum Jülich)
	<b>Neue Wege gehen bei Fachportalen - das Fachportal für Technikfolgenabschätzung "openTA" <u>Abstract</u> Maike Abel (Karlsruher Institut für Technologie (KIT))</b>





## **Digital Humanities & Academic Libraries in Germany VIII**

# In the DH context libraries are most involved in information infrastructure projects:

- DFG-LIS-funding: retro-digitalization
  - e.g. ZVDD = central registry of digitised imprints libraries: BSB Munich, HAB Wolfenbuettel, SUB Goettingen, USB Cologne, SLUB Dresden, UB Halle, SUB Hamburg, State Library of Berlin & many more
- DARIAH (= Digital Research Infrastructure for the Arts & Hum.)
  - SUB Goettingen, HAB Wolfenbuettel, MPL Digital Library
- many other projects: European History Online (BSB Munich)
   TextGrid (SUB Goettingen)
   Digital Editions (e.g. HAB Wolfenbuettel)





## **DCH & University and City Library of Cologne**

- meta data expertise
- doing workshops together (research data management, digital scholarship)
- featuring the digital collection of the library





# scientific libraries as stakeholders in the context of research data management - examples

- coordination and responsibility of the university-wide research data
   management (University & UB Bielefeld; dealing with data sets, not resources!)
- research consulting
- information transfer
- assignment of standards for persistent links (TIB Hanover)
- meta data expertise
- legal advice
- events and workshop concerning research data management (USB Cologne)
- long term preservation of research data (SUB Goettingen)





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