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Participants of WG3

At the moment, there are 44 participants from 25 different countries involved in WG3. For 26 participants, WG3 is their main group, meaning that they intend to focus the majority of their efforts in the COST action there. No new participants have joined the working group since the third intermediary report.

Achievements and work in progress

Following up on the launch of the online overview of national bibliographic databases and repositories for SSH research output in Europe (see https://ecoom.uantwerpen.be/sshdatabases/), continued its work on the theme of national databases. This resulted in the call for applications for the third ENRESSH training school, which will take place in Poznan from October 21st to 25th 2019. The full program of the training school is available at https://enressh.eu/training_schools/national-bibliographic-databases-and-their-uses-for-evaluating-and-understanding-research/ and over 20 participants have registered. WG3 also set out to elaborate the good practice manual for national bibliographic databases. After further discussion of the good practices during the WG meeting in Valencia September 17th & 18th 2019, the manual will be launched at the occasion of the training school in Poznan. Meanwhile the following ISSI2019 presentations by WG3 members Lai Ma and Linda Sīle relating to the topic of national bibliographic databases and facilitated by their respective STSMs to Oslo took place:

> Ma, L., & Cleere, L. (2019). *Comparing coverage of Scopus, WoS, and OBRSS list: A case for institutional and national bibliographic databases for research output?* Rome, ISSI2019 conference, paper 46.
> Sīle, L., Guns, R., Vandermoere, F., & Engels, T.C.E. (2019). *Comparison of classification-related differences in the distribution of journal articles across academic disciplines: the case of social sciences and humanities in Flanders and Norway (2006-2015).* Rome, ISSI2019 conference, paper 186.

Work also continued on the development of an international register of academic book publishers, also known as *ABP: Academic Book Publishers, a global and multilingual register*, see https://enressh.eu/working-group-3/abp/. The development of a database

underpinning the register was facilitated through an STSM completed by Peter Aspeslagh in June 2019. The infrastructure developed will be presented and discussed during the Valencia meeting September 2019. Meanwhile, the register was presented at the 17th international conference on Scientometrics & Informetrics, ISSI2019:

> Gimenez-Toledo, E., Sivertsen, G. & Manana-Rodriguez, J. (2019). *International Register of Academic Book Publishers (IRAP): overview, current state and future challenges*. Rome, ISSI2019 conference, paper 297.

Publication patterns in the SSH are a focal point of WG3. From the beginning of 2019 onwards, members have been active on the topic of multilingualism in scholarly communication, leading to the launch, together with other organisations, of the Helsinki Initiative on Multilingualism in Scholarly Communication on the 3rd of April 2019 (see http://helsinki-initiative.org). A January 2019 STSM to Janne Pölönen facilitated this development as well as the preparation of a manuscript on the use of multiple languages in SSH scholarly publications in 7 European countries. After a first round of reviews by the journal to which this paper was submitted, a revised version is now in preparation:

> Kulczycki, E., Guns, R., Pölönen, J., Engels, T. C. E., Rozkotz, E., Zuccala, A. A., Bruun, K., Eskola, O., Istenic-Starčič, A., Petr, M., & Sivertsen, G. (2019). *Multilingual publishing within the social sciences and humanities: a seven-country European study*. To appear.

Further analysis of the data collected in view of this study is underway, among other topics relating to gender of authors. A comparative analysis of Web of Science coverage and the distribution over WoS databases focusing on Central and Eastern European countries (CEE) is also in an advanced stage. During the Belgian ENRESSH day the following presentation draw considerable interest from both scholars and policy makers:

> Engels, T.C.E. (2019). *The diversity of SSH publications and its implications for evaluation of SSH*. Brussels, Université Saint-Louis, 30 April 2019.

Continuing collaboration on the topic of publication channel lists resulted in the publication of the following manuscript:

> Pölönen, J., Engels, T. C. E. & Guns, R. (2019). Ambiguity in identification of peer-reviewed publications in Finnish and Flemish performance-based research funding systems. *Science and Public Policy*, https://doi.org/10.1093/scipol/scz041

Currently members of WG3 are preparing a set of recommendations for publication channel lists to be released later in 2019.

Following up on the VIRTA-ENRESSH pilot carried out by WG3 in GP3 and the report released as a result of that work (available at https://doi.org/10.6084/m9.figshare.5993506, cf. intermediary report number 3), work on the setup of the VIRTA-ENRESSH data infrastructure continued through a June 2019 STSM to Joonas Nikkanen. Among other things this resulted in the design of a CERIF and OpenAIRE compliant data model (see https://wiki.eduuni.fi/display/cscvirtajtp/Summary+of+European+Publication+Information+Infrastructure+Data+Model). Currently the members of WG3 involved in the VIRTA-ENRESSH pilot are working on an application in view of securing EU-funding for this essential infrastructure. Results of the development of the infrastructure were also presented by Dragan Ivanonic at the occasion of the ICIST conference 2019:

Ivanović, D., Puuska, H., Nikkanen, J., Hellsten, L., Eskola, O. (2019). Implementation of OpenAIRE Guidelines for CRIS managers to Finnish VIRTA Publication Information Service. In: Konjović, Z., Zdravković, M., Trajanović, M. (Eds.) ICIST 2019 Proceedings, p. 53-57, http://www.eventiotic.com/eventiotic/library/paper/449

Since February 2019 members of WG3 have also started the study of open access, both at the national and the cross national level. This resulted in two presentations at the ISSI2019 conference in Rome:

Pölönen, J., Guns, R., Kulczycki, E., Laakso, M., & Sivertsen, G. (2019). *Open access challenge at the national level: comprehensive analysis of publication channels used by Finish researchers in 2016-2017*. Rome, ISSI2019 conference, paper 300.

Sivertsen, G., Guns, R., Kulczycki, E., & Pölönen, J. (2019). *The use of Gold Open Access in four European countries: an analysis at the level of articles*. Rome, ISSI2019 conference, paper 269.

Continuing work on the topic of Open Access will result in the submission of at least one manuscript to an international journal before the end of 2019.

As a result of collaborative work on the topic of data citation in the SSH the following paper appeared: Vanholsbeeck, M., Engels, T.C.E., & Istenic-Starcic, A. (2019). Guidelines for data sharing and data citation in social sciences and humanities journals: perspectives and insights from the COST action ENRESSH. *Archives et bibliothèques de Belgique, 106*, p. 83-96. https://hal.archives-ouvertes.fr/hal-02124973/