Help from DELAD and the CLARIN Knowledge Centre for Atypical Communication Expertise (ACE) in sharing CSD

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# **DELAD** initiative



- Initiative to collect and share corpora of speech with disorders (CSD):
- http://delad.net/
- Partners are a mix of researchers, infrastructure specialists, legal experts
- DELAD organises annual workshops since 2015 where these groups convene
- Since 2017 under <u>CLARIN</u> header and support

### Topics addressed:

- Examples of CSD
- Guidelines for collecting and sharing CSD
- Ethics and legal aspects
- Levels of anonymisation
- Layered access of data
- Integration of CSD in the CLARIN infrastructure
- Formats
- Relevant metadata

# **DELAD Background**

Two DELAD workshops in Linköping, Sweden, funded by Riksbankens JF

Organised by Martin Ball & Nicole Müller

Partners from Europe, USA, Canada

### October 2015

- What do partners have in terms of CDS
- Can this be shared with others

### June 2016:

- First connections to CLARIN infrastructure incl CMU/ CHILDES & Talkbank
- Funding options: EU infra, Digging into data, VW Stiftung

### First CLARIN-DELAD workshop, Cork, 15-17 Nov. 2017

- Type I workshop
- New researchers, new data
- **Upcoming GDPR**
- Requirements CLARIN infrastructure
- **Funding options**



#### Issues:

- IPR/ ethics
- Formats
- Annotations / transcriptions
- Other research data
- Metadata
- Levels of anonimization
- Levels of public access
- Maintenance
- One portal

# **DELAD Background**

- Second CLARIN-DELAD Workshop, Utrecht NL, SURF premises, 28-29 Jan. 2019
  - Type II workshop
  - Involve further research partners to DELAD initiative
  - Ethical & Legal aspects of CDS sharing (CLIC members)
  - Specs & priorities of a CDS centered webportal in CLARIN context
  - Possible role of Talkbank
  - How to best spend 3 PM ICT developer

### Outcomes:

- Reaffirmation that CLARIN is the Data Trust, to provide the data fence around CDS.
- DELAD should apply to become a Task Force within CLARIN focusing on practical issues on sharing CDS.
- As a result, the DELAD website should be updated with a CLARIN flag and contain relevant guidelines for collecting, sharing and storing CDS.
- Talkbank is seen as a good CLARIN site to host CDS, especially if a European storage cloud and stricter access policy can be realised.
- Collaboration DELAD, ACE, TLA, Talkbank in data curation
- Work together on contributions for the CLARIN AC 2019 in Leipzig.



# **CLARIN** in six bullets

- CLARIN is the Common Language Resources and Technology Infrastructure
- ESFRI ERIC status since 2012, Landmark since 2016
- that provides easy and sustainable access for scholars in the humanities and social sciences and beyond
- to digital language data (in written, spoken, video or multimodal form)
- and advanced tools to discover, explore, exploit, annotate, analyse or combine them, wherever they are located
- through a single sign-on online environment

# **CLARIN Centres**

24+3 countries

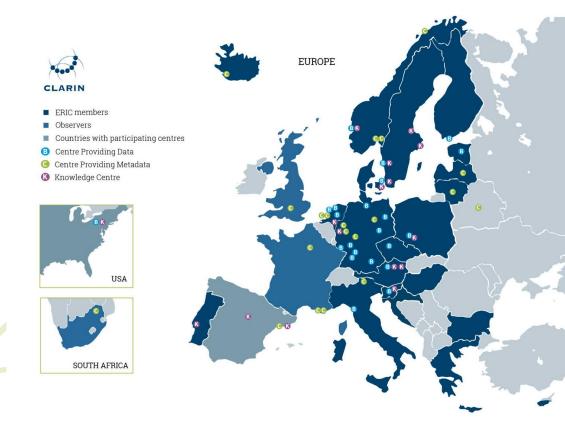
24 B-centres

### K-centres

- increased coverage of topics
- inclusion in Tour de CLARIN

Website as channel for multiple audiences.

www.clarin.eu/covid-19



# **DELAD** initiative



- Collaboration with <u>CLARIN Knowledge Centre for Atypical Communication</u> <u>Expertise</u> (ACE)
- For data storage hosting and sharing DELAD cooperates with ACE:
  - The Language Archive at MPI Nijmegen: <a href="https://archive.mpi.nl/tla/">https://archive.mpi.nl/tla/</a>
  - Talkbank at CMU: <a href="https://talkbank.org/">https://talkbank.org/</a>
- Use case: <a href="https://phonbank.talkbank.org/access/Clinical/PCSC.html">https://phonbank.talkbank.org/access/Clinical/PCSC.html</a>

A CLARIN Knowledge Centre for Atypical Communication **Expertise** 

In short: K-ACE

- Hosted at CLST, Radboud University
- Launch in November 2019
- Description:
  - Atypical communication encompasses language and speech as encountered during (second) <u>language acquisition and development</u>, and in language <u>disorders</u>, but also more broadly in bilingual language development and in <u>sign language</u>. Our centre is specialised in this type of research and concomitant infrastructural issues related to data acquisition, processing and sharing, which is typically highly characterised by sensitivity issues.

Close cooperation with DELAD group

Website: https://ace.ruhosting.nl/

DELAD: http://DELAD.net

Common Language Resources and Technology Infrastructure



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A CLARIN Knowledge Centre for Atypical Communication **Expertise** 

# Disciplines of <u>target audience</u>:

- linguists
- psychologists
- neuroscientists
- computer scientists
- speech and language therapists
- education specialists

### Services offered:

A website

with information and guidelines about:

- consent (forms)
- hosting corpora and datasets containing atypical communication
- where to find corpora and datasets containing atypical communication
- including FAQ
- Helpdesk/consultancy for questions on these topics
- Technical assistance for designing, creating, annotating, formatting and metadating these resources
- Dissemination in the form of flyers, presentations, workshop contributions etc.

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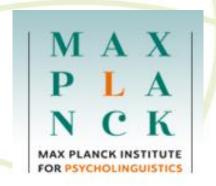
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# A CLARIN Knowledge Centre for Atypical Communication Expertise

- Collaboration with TLA, MPI Nijmegen
- CLST will act as a knowledge centre for researchers wishing to create and deposit collections on atypical communication, and wanting advice on where to find such resources
- TLA as a CLARIN B centre, will provide the archive. TLA is specialised in hosting the type of video and audio data that is collected in the atypical communication context that CLST as K-centre will address

It is relevant to note that the TLA encourages to store video and speech resources not only from the Netherlands but also from other countries and in other languages. This makes the cooperation of CLST with TLA in this field very relevant for CLARIN and the DELAD community.





# A CLARIN Knowledge Centre for Atypical Communication **Expertise**

- Collaboration with Talkbank / Clinical Banks, CMU
  - **Brian MacWhinney**
- Large visibility in communities for LA research and SLI
- Has everything in place for hosting datasets:
  - Curation of data
  - Generate metadatafiles
  - Landing pages for datasets
  - Search through (open) datasets
  - Tools for CHAT transcripts
  - Part of CLARIN (B Centre)
  - Cooperation with TLA (mirror site)
    - Allows storage at TLA only
    - Using their (safer) authentication methods





The TalkBank System

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**Hints on Downloading**	XML creator and XML Schema	<u>Tutorial Screencasts</u>
Contributing	Other Software	SLP's Guide to CLAN and 中文
IRB Principles		
Conversation Banks	Child Language Banks	Multilingualism Banks
<u>CABank</u>	CHILDES	Second Language Tutors
<u>SamtaleBank</u>	<u>PhonBank</u>	<u>BilingBank</u>
<u>ClassBank</u>	<u>HomeBank</u>	<u>SLABank</u>
Clinical Banks	Clinical Banks	Other
<u>DementiaBank</u>	<u>AphasiaBank</u>	Database Versioning
RHDBank	<u>ASDBank</u>	TalkBank DB - Search the
<u>TBIBank</u>	<u>FluencyBank</u>	<u>Databases</u>

# Example for a curation within DELAD via ACE

- Polish Cued Speech Corpus of Hearing Impaired Children (A. Lorenc)
- Legacy data involving hearing impaired children from Poland
- DELAD initiative to make these accessible through Talkbank/Phonbank and The Language Archive (raw data)
- Next five slides from Katarzyna Klessa

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<u>ClassBank</u>	<u>HomeBank</u>	<u>SLABank</u>

https://talkbank.org/

### **TalkBank**



### PhonBank Project

PhonBank is the child phonology component of the <u>TalkBank</u> system. TalkBank is a system for sharing and studying conversational interactions. PhonBank is supported by grant RO1-HD051698 from NIH-NICHHD to Brian MacWhinney and Yvan Rose. *PHON* is designed and built by Yvan Rose and Greg Hedlund. Currently available materials include:

System	Database	Phon Program
**Ground Rules**	**Index to Corpora**	Phon website and User Manual
Contributing New Data	Browsable Database	Phon on GitHub
IRB Principles	TalkBankDB database search	<u>PhonTalk</u> (CHAT ⇔ Phon)
	Hints on downloading	
	Database versioning	
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# **PhonBank**



# PhonBank Corpora

This page provides an index to PhonBank corpora, organized by language group and data type.

Signed contribution forms are available *here*.

Collection	Description	Collection	Description
<u>Bilingual</u>	Children learning two or more languages	Chinese	Chinese
<u>Clinical</u>	Children with various language disorders	<u>Dutch</u>	Dutch
English-NA	English-NA	English- UK	English-UK
<u>French</u>	French	<u>German</u>	German
<u>Japanese</u>	Japanese	Romance	Catalan, Italian, Portuguese, Romanian
<u>Scandinavian</u>	Icelandic, Norwegian, Swedish	<u>Slavic</u>	Polish
<u>Spanish</u>	Spanish		
<u>Other</u>	Arabic, Berber, Cree, Greek, Quichua	<u>Password</u>	Password protected

https://phonbank.talkbank.org/access/

### **PhonBank**



### Clinical Corpora

This page provides an index to PhonBank Clinical data.

Corpus	Age Range	N	Comments
<u>Bernhardt</u>	2-6	6	children with phonological disorders
<u>Cattini</u>	4 and 18	4	3 French children and one teenager with phonological disorders
<u>Chiat</u>	5;0-5;8	3	children with phonological disorders
<u>Cummings</u>	3-6	30	children with phonological disorders
<u>Granada</u>	19	4;0- 5;10	Spanish children with phonological impairment
<u>McAllisterByun</u>	3;9-4;3	1	case study
<u>NeumannFoxBoyer</u>	2;3-9;2	29	picture-naming test
PCSC	8-12	20	hearing limited
<u>PhonoDis</u>	3-11	22	Portuguese
<u>Preston</u>	4-5	44	clinical tests
<u>TorringtonEaton</u>	4;0-5;11	51	comparison between TD and SSD

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### Polish Cued Speech Corpus of Hearing-Impaired Children



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website

Participants: Type of Study: Location: Media type: 20 elicited Kalisz, Poland audio

Phon data

DOI

**CHAT data** 

The audio files are available via The Language Archive at the Max Planck Institute for Psycholinguistics in Nijmegen. Users need to register and request permission to get access to the files.

Three ZIP files for the materials are available here.

The handle for the entire collection is here.

#### Citation information

Trochymiuk A., 2008, Wymowa dzieci niesłyszących. Analiza audytywna i akustyczna (Eng. Pronunciation of hearing-impaired children. Auditive and acoustic analysis) (seria "Komunikacja Językowa i Jej Zaburzenia", vol. 22), Lublin: Wydawnictwo UMCS

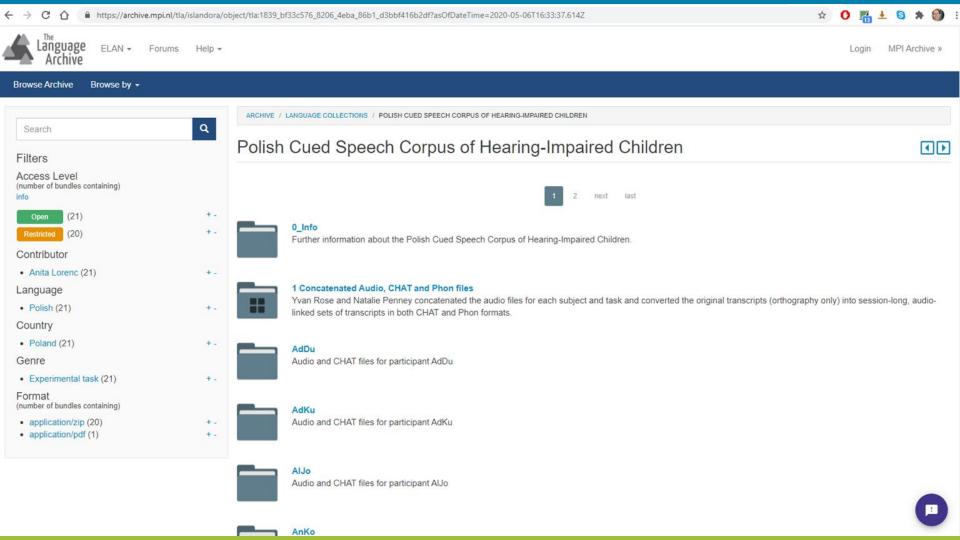
Trochymiuk A., 2007, VOT and durational properties of selected segments in the speech of deaf and normally hearing children, "Studia Phonetica Posnaniensia", vol. 8, p. 111–142...

Trochymiuk A., 2005, Realization of the voiced-voiceless contrast by hearing impaired children, "Studia Phonetica Posnaniensia", vol. 7, p. 75–96.

Trochymiuk A., 2003, Voiced Realisations of Plosives in Word Initial Position by Hearing Impaired Children. Acoustic Phonetics Analysis [in:] Böttger K., Dönninghaus S., Marzari R. (ed.), "Die Welt der Slaven", Band 16, Beiträge der Europäischen Slavistischen Linguistic, Band 6, München, p. 111–123.

In accordance with TalkBank rules, any use of data from this corpus must be accompanied by at least one of the above references.

https://phonbank.talkbank.org/access/Clinical/PCSC.html



# **Recent developments**

- Website revised: <a href="http://delad.net">http://delad.net</a>
- Polish corpus curated
- Blogs Tour de CLARIN
  - Blog: <a href="https://www.clarin.eu/blog/tour-de-clarin-knowledge-centre-atypical-communication-expertise">https://www.clarin.eu/blog/tour-de-clarin-knowledge-centre-atypical-communication-expertise</a>
  - https://www.clarin.eu/blog/tour-de-clarin-interview-katarzyna-klessa-and-anitalorenc
- LREC papers:
  - Van den Heuvel, H., Kelli, A., Klessa, K., Salaasti, S. (2020) Corpora of disordered speech in the light of the GDPR: Two use cases from the DELAD initiative. Proceedings of the 12th International Conference on Language Resources and Evaluation (LREC2020). pp. 3310-3314, http://www.lrec-conf.org/proceedings/lrec2020/pdf/2020.lrec-1.406.pdf
  - Van den Heuvel, H., Oostdijk, N., Rowland, C., Trilsbeek, P. (2020) The CLARIN Knowledge Centre for Atypical Communication Expertise. Proceedings of the 12th International Conference on Language Resources and Evaluation (LREC2020). pp. 3305-3309, http://www.lrecconf.org/proceedings/lrec2020/pdf/2020.lrec-1.405.pdf

# **Recent developments**

- CLARIN Annual Conference, Bazaar, 1 October 2019:
  - Van den Heuvel, H. DELAD: How to share and access sensitive datasets with language and speech disorders via CLARIN. <a href="https://www.clarin.eu/clarin-annual-conference-2019-bazaar">https://www.clarin.eu/clarin-annual-conference-2019-bazaar</a>
- CLARIN Annual Conference, Bazaar, 7 October 2020:
  - Van den Heuvel, H. & Hoorn, E. Sharing corpora of disordered speech and finding relevant use cases. <a href="https://www.clarin.eu/content/clarin-bazaar-2020">https://www.clarin.eu/content/clarin-bazaar-2020</a>
- SSHOC webinar, 14 October 2020:
  - Van den Heuvel, H., Bessell, N., Trilsbeek, P., Bishop, E. & K. Klessa. (2020, October). SSHOC Workshop: Sharing Datasets of Pathological Speech (Version v1.0). Zenodo. <a href="http://doi.org/10.5281/zenodo.4081602">http://doi.org/10.5281/zenodo.4081602</a>
- Upcoming:
  - Lee, A., Bessell, N., Van den Heuvel, H., Saalasti, S., Klessa, K., Müller, N., & M.J. Ball. The latest development of the DELAD project for sharing corpora of disordered speech. Accepted for publication in Clinical Linquistics & Phonetics
- What about Remote Secure Access?