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1 Summary

In the following we will report on the B centre evaluation round which was carried out in Oct/Dec 2013. This is the second evaluation round and although we have tried to take experience and feedback from the first round into consideration, the process can still be tuned. From the first to the second round the application form was updated with a section adding some explicit questions for information that had been difficult for the reviewers to localise on the candidate centre web-sites in the first round. The process has also shown that it might be a good idea to update the assessment application form so it states more clearly what is needed for the assessment and how it is tested.

In this round – as in the first round – we will not give any label indicating the state of the centre. For each centre we will recommend if the centre can be granted the label as a CLARIN B Centre, and give a general comment, and perhaps add a list of remarks for improvements. We suggest that the evaluation will be valid for two years, as we are still fine-tuning the B centre assessment process and as changes in the requirements might be needed. Due to this only being the second round of assessment, we also suggest that all centres can clarify the points mentioned below by short statements to the ERIC to the Chair of the SCCTC in case that the remarks or corresponding evaluation result is not agreed on.

Five centres applied for assessment in the second round. One centre has afterwards withdrawn from the process. One centre did not pass the assessment.

CAC recommended that the centres INL, LINDAT and UCPH are certified as CLARIN B Centres.

The centres received detailed comments from the Assessment Committee, and have now had a chance to comment on or improve the issues.

This report gives the summary of the issues that are still outstanding, but issues fixed are not reported here.

2 General Points

The reviewers in the CAC would like to mention that:

- Some reviewers had problems to make use of the OAI-PMH validator. This is caused by instability of the validator and might not be caused by problematic OAI-PMH setup
- Two centres did not refer to CLARIN visibly enough from their web-sites
- The reviewers are not able to test SP access from both national and non-national IdP for a centre, but what is tested as the minimum is the existence of CLARIN IdP login and the availability of a discovery service for national and non-national IdPs

- The reviewers should not make statements about the quality of the metadata or the content of the resources. Only random samples of resources were investigated, and only for the existence of CMDI metadata and PID use.

3 Center Evaluations

3.1 INL

It is recommended that INL becomes a CLARIN B centre, since it fulfils almost all criteria. The DSA has been applied for but is not granted yet.

We have the following exceptions and remarks:

- The login from non-NL IdPs does not work, but this is caused by not yet distributed INL SP metadata and the problem should disappear when this is done¹.
- The optional SRU/CQL endpoint validation did not pass all of the tests, the centre is looking into this.

3.2 LINDAT

It is recommended that LINDAT become a CLARIN B centre, since it fulfils criteria. The DSA has been granted.

We have the following exceptions and remarks:

- The login from non-national IdPs does not work, but this is caused by not yet distributed LINDAT SP metadata and the problem should disappear when this is done².

3.3 UCPH

It is recommended that UCPH becomes a CLARIN B centre, since it fulfils all criteria. The DSA has been granted.

We have the following exceptions and remarks:

- The login from non-DK IdPs does not work, but this is caused by not yet distributed UCPH SP metadata and the problem should disappear when this is done³.

¹ See www.clarin.eu/spf#state for the latest situation. It should be noted that the metadata distribution bottleneck lays at the CLARIN ERIC and that this will be addressed soon.

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