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Data Biographies



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The conference “Data Biographies” will bring together researchers in digital humanities from across the world who work with graph data in the context of biographical and network research, challenges of biographical data, materiality and situatedness of data, digital anthropology, ethnography and prosopography, and assumptions about the status of data, its attribution, curation and ownership within biographically related projects. It will host 15 paper presentations and 3 tool demonstrations to foster discussion and collaboration in the field of historical and contemporary research touching on biographies of individuals and of data in different contexts.

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13 February 14.00 – 17.00	Tool and software demonstrations <i>Charting Known Unknowns in an Ego-Network: Insights from the Johannes Itten Linked Archive</i> Florian Kräutli (University of Zurich) <i>EKIH Karteikarten: A Project Towards a Linked Dataset of the Swiss Internment Networks during the Second World War</i> Niclas Bodenmann (Schweizerisches Bundesarchiv) <i>Geovistory, a LOD Research Infrastructure for Historical Sciences</i> Stephen Hart (University of Bern)
17.30	Keynote lecture, Prof. Dr. Maximilian Schich
18.30	Apero sponsored by the Institute for the History and Theory of Art and Architecture Università della Svizzera italiana

9.00 – 10.15	14 February Paper presentations - Session 1 Chair Iolanda Pensa <i>A Turkish Educator in Germany at the Beginning of the Twentieth Century - Hüviyet Bekir Bek Örs: Biography of a Transnational Knowledge Carrier</i> Seyma Aksoy (Yildiz Technical University) <i>From Altona to Peru Transnational networks of biographies in the diary of Heinrich Witt</i> Javier Vera Zúñiga (Pontificia Universidad Católica del Perú) Magally Alegre Henderson (Pontificia Universidad Católica del Perú) <i>Reanimating Biographies: Historical Biographical Dictionaries and the Computational Approaches to Leveraging Their Data</i> Aleksandra Kaye (Max Planck Institute of Geoanthropology) Raphael Schlattmann (Technical University of Berlin) Malte Vogl (Max Planck Institute of Geoanthropology)
10.45 – 12.00	Session 2 Chair Rita Gautschy <i>Naming the Network. Mining Prosopographic Data Sources with NER and NEL for Reconstructing Networks of 19th Century Textbook Production</i> Fabian Dombrowski (Leibniz Institute for Educational Media Georg Eckert Institute) Sebastian Klaes (Leibniz Institute for Educational Media Georg Eckert Institute) <i>Biographies to Connections: a prosopographical analysis of the court of Habsburg Emperor Maximilian I (1459-1519)</i> Richard Hadden, Suzana Sagadin, Marcella Tambuscio, Georg Vogeler (Department of Digital Humanities, University of Graz) <i>History of Computer Science Courses in Brazil – The Network of Pioneers</i> Ana Bazzan (UFRGS)
13.20 – 14.40	Session 3 Chair Cindarella Petz <i>Reimagining the "Archipelago of Names": Co-Design Strategies for Visualizing Literary Data in DH</i> Martina Melillo (Politecnico di Milano) Tommaso Elli (Politecnico di Milano) Michele Mauri (DensityDesign Lab, Design Department, Politecnico di Milano) <i>Literary communities in St. Petersburg 1999-2019</i> Maria Levchenko (University of Bologna) <i>Leveraging Federated Search and Data Annotation for Enhanced Analysis of Biography Networks and Network Biographies</i> Sepideh Alassi (University of Basel)
15.00 – 16.40	Session 4 <i>Public health landscape in Cyprus under British colonial period : dealing with uncertainties of reported data on malaria epidemic issues</i> Victor Beauvalet (CNRS) Armelle Couillet (CNRS) Emmanuel Eliot (Université de Rouen Normandie) Raphaëlle Krummeich (Université de Rouen Normandie) Sébastien Rey-Coyrehourcq (Université de Rouen Normandie) <i>The structure and dynamics of the city of San Luis Potosí, Mexico: 1767-1821. Latency, spectrality, presences and absences, from data science</i> Jose Antonio Motilla (Universidad Autónoma de San Luis Potosí) Edgardo Galan (Instituto de Investigaciones en Matemáticas Aplicadas y en Sistemas) Edgardo Ugalde (Instituto de Física UASLP) Martín Zumaya (PUEDJS-UNAM) Diego Espitia (PUEDJS-UNAM) <i>Every map helps tells the story that can be (a part of a) biography</i> Francis Harvey (Leibniz Institute for Regional Geography) <i>Muwatta, the sayings of Malik ibn Anas, foundational text of a major Islamic legal traditions</i> Maroussia Bednarkiewicz (University of Tübingen)
16.40 – 17.00	Conference Closing
