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Letter of Support

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To whom it may concern:

I am issuing this Letter of Support to the Text+ Consortium to encourage the further provision of research data in the text- and language-based humanities. Text+ focuses on the three major types of data that have a long and fruitful tradition in the humanities: collections, lexical resources, and editions. Their integration into one common infrastructure remains a big challenge for the research community and will constitute a crucial empirical basis for a wide range of disciplines. I believe data sharing and integrating this data can foster an accelerated path for innovative linguistically motivated research.

As the lead for the programme area *Language Information Systems* at the Leibniz Institute for the German Language at Mannheim, I strongly support the Text+ research proposal. I will contribute by developing a terminological net that implements a domain-specific, state-of-the-art knowledge organization system for linguistic content. With all my experience and dedication, I look forward to working with all participating partners and institutions.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any further queries.

Sincerely,



Professor Dr. Henning Lobin