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### Letter of Support for the NFDI consortia Text+

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With the support of the German Research Foundation, the Specialised Information Service Fachinformationsdienst Allgemeine und Vergleichende Literaturwissenschaft (FID AVL) at the University Library Johann Christian Senckenberg Frankfurt am Main has been developing innovative services for the comparative literature community since 2016 and bundles them on its portal avldigital.de. The main objective of the FID is the nationwide information supply for study and research.

At the same time, the FID AVL has increasingly observed in recent years that within its target group the need for advice on research data as well as on research data management as a whole has steadily increased, while a clear subject-specific understanding is still emerging. For comparatists, for example, bibliographic reference collections, literary text corpora, and textual data such as digital editions are of paramount relevance.

Close coordination between NFDI consortia such as TEXT+ and information aggregators such as the FID AVL is fundamental to ensure infrastructural connectivity for research data in the field of AVL. This requires a sharpening of the discourse within the discipline as well as the creation of reliable long-term repositories and export routes to such repositories.

The FID AVL is pleased about the fruitful exchange with Text+, which started in autumn 2021 and - subject to the approval of a third FID AVL funding phase - will be expanded and intensified from 2023 onwards and is excellently suited to expand and advance both projects in terms of content and infrastructure.

The expertise of Text+ is used by the FID AVL for joint workshops, among other things, in which the requirements of the subject are discussed as well as the Text+ infrastructures and in-depth consulting services regarding data formats, legal issues, etc. are presented. The FID AVL is happy to take on the role of "broker" between the community and the Text+ consortium. Furthermore, it is envisioned that in the course of its next funding phase, the FID AVL will establish a directory for metadata of comparative research projects in which research data are generated and will integrate this information via interfaces into the Text+ infrastructure, so that on the one hand the data will benefit from greater visibility, and on the other hand the Text+ data portfolio will be significantly expanded to include comparative content.

For the above reasons, we expressly welcome the cooperation between Text+ and the FID AVL. We are confident that combining expertise, exchanging knowledge, and collaborating will lead to synergies and mutual benefits for both platforms.

Kind regards,



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