

Memorandum of Understanding

made by and between the signatory parties stated in appendix 1

regarding the continuation and developing

of the infrastructure for the Dutch DBpedia chapter

Preamble

The parties stated in appendix 1 express their desire to:

- support the goals of the DBpedia Association as described in the DBpedia Association Charter (January 2016);
- further strengthen the Dutch DBpedia chapter and its community of contributors and users;
- improve the cooperation between the Dutch DBpedia and the Dutch research infrastructure for Digital Humanities and Linguistics (through the CLARIAH-NL);
- improve the cooperation between the Dutch DBpedia and the Dutch Digital Heritage Network (NDE).

Without legally binding commitment the Signatories hereby express, their twofold intention to 1) support the Dutch DBpedia and 2) take responsibility for the various tasks needed to sustain and develop the Dutch DBpedia chapter.

- (1) The objective of the present Memorandum of Understanding is to express an intention to take responsibility for sustaining and developing the Dutch DBpedia chapter.
- (2) Each signatory declares its intention to contribute, according to its own resources, to the cooperative and joint responsibilities described in (3).
- (3) Topics of cooperation and joint responsibilities include but are not limited to:
 - assign a Chapter Executive and a Deputy who will serve as principal contact for the Chapter and can take decisions on behalf of the Chapter;
 - perform regular extraction of a language-specific version of Wikipedia including maintaining a download server and releases;
 - hosting a sparql endpoint or providing additional sparql endpoints;
 - hosting NL-DBpedia Spotlight;
 - organisation of regular NL-DBpedia meetings (at least once a year);

- maintaining the website <http://nl.dbpedia.org>;
 - maintaining the Dutch Wikipedia info box to DBpedia ontology mappings;
 - answering questions and provide support;
 - provide professional services;
 - mediate professional services;
 - supply statistics about usage;
 - collect and disseminate information about projects and users of NL-DBpedia;
- (4) The cooperation will be effectuated by means of dividing these tasks and the needed resources among the parties based on mutual consent. For this, the Signatory parties intend to state the responsibility for each party in a legally binding cooperation agreement to be concluded.
 - (5) The signatory parties are acknowledged members of the Dutch DBpedia Chapter and will be listed as DBpedia Competence Centers on the main DBpedia website. The parties are encouraged to acquire further funding in the name of DBpedia and in particular on behalf of the Dutch DBpedia Chapter.
 - (6) The parties express their intention to disclose information about (a) any income sources directly related to DBpedia and the Dutch DBpedia Chapter (b) any funded projects mentioning and spending resources on DBpedia, and (c) any costs spent in the fulfillment of the responsibilities to be agreed upon in a cooperation agreement.
 - (7) The signatory parties express their intention to become members of the DBpedia Association via its trustee InfAI e.V. no later than two years after signing this MoU.
 - (8) In case of common bilateral projects separate agreements between the cooperating parties shall be concluded.
 - (9) Given the non-binding character of this MoU, the signatory parties cannot be held liable towards each other for any damage resulting from any cooperation or other actions based upon this MoU only.
 - (10) This Memorandum of Understanding may be amended by written consent of all signatories.
 - (11) New parties may join in the cooperation after the written consent of all existing signatory parties. A list of signatory parties (appendix 1) will be kept up to date on the Dutch DBpedia website.
 - (12) This Memorandum of Understanding is in the English language only.

APPENDIX 1: SIGNATORY PARTIES (SHORT VERSION)

- DBpedia Association at the Institute for Applied Informatics (InfAI) e.V.
- Huygens ING - Royal Netherlands Academy of Arts and Sciences (KNAW)
- Koninklijke Bibliotheek / National Library of the Netherlands
- Nederlands Instituut voor Beeld & Geluid / Netherlands Institute for Sound and Vision (B&G)
- iMinds (Flanders' digital research & entrepreneurship hub)
- Vrije Universiteit - Amsterdam