

# CLARIN Standards Committee: information for the NCF

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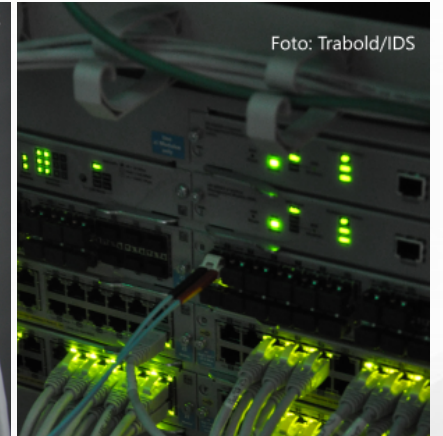


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# Purpose of this presentation

To provide to the NCF basic information on the current and intended work of the CLARIN Standards Committee, focusing on the areas of which the NCF should be aware and where it might wish to assist

Structure: a selection from the newly modified bylaws, with comments

Proviso:

- the CSC annual meeting is scheduled for 14:00 today, and some of the formulations may be changed as a result of the meeting
  - some of my remarks have not been consulted with the CSC (yet)
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# Nature and purpose of the CSC

“The Standards Committee is a permanent committee that reports to the Board of Directors (BoD). Its main responsibility is to advise the BoD on the adoption of standards to be supported by CLARIN ERIC.”

Selected fine-grained tasks:

- “to **collect**, consolidate and prepare for publication in a single place its findings and recommendations related to standards;”
  - “to develop and implement **procedures for the discussion** of recommendations and the **adoption** of new for standards;”
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## Tasks (1): to collect

“to **collect**, consolidate and prepare for publication in a single place its findings and recommendations related to standards”

- probably mainly a Centres Committee issue, but it may benefit from assistance by the NCF
  - the CSC needs feedback from the (B-)centres on
    - standards used by them for data ingestion
    - standards used for data export
    - (possibly) info on the amount of data representing the given standard
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## Tasks (2): to develop procedures

“to develop and implement **procedures for the discussion** of recommendations (...)”

- the CSC is going to debate implementing a permanent second F2F meeting in order to effect a better workflow and timely publication of the results
  - while the local organization can be performed by the CLARIN office, the funding for the trip may be at the hands of the national consortia, and support for the members at the national level would be welcome
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## Tasks (3): to develop procedures

“to develop and implement procedures for (...) the **adoption** of new for standards”

- this is in fact a separate kind of task with the CSC at one end only,
  - it obviously requires the participation of the Centres Committee and possibly support on the part of the NCF
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## Membership (1)

“Every CLARIN ERIC member and observer consortium **can** select one or more experts for membership of the committee.”

“If a member changes its expert in the committee, the **national coordinator** has to inform the BoD and the chair of the Standards Committee.”

- “can” is not “should”; keeping the Committee lean but active is a priority
  - note that this may be tied with the need to support the representative for the spring F2F meeting trip
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## Membership (2)

“The term of office will be two years, with a possibility of prolongation.”

- the national coordinator may wish to implement a procedure, e.g. requesting a (yearly?) report from the given representative(s)
  - this would be also welcome for the internal reporting of the CSC and would help in a reporting task that the BoD has implemented
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“The Standards Committee meets as often as deemed necessary by the chair, normally at least 4 times per year.”

- note that we are planning to implement two F2F meetings (CAC and Spring) and two virtual meetings inbetween

“A copy of the final version of the minutes is sent to the BoD and to the National Coordinators Forum (NCF) for information and possible action. Minutes may contain recommendations for decisions to be taken by the BoD and the NCF.”

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# Remuneration

“Membership of this committee is not remunerated, but can be listed as a contribution from a national consortium to CLARIN ERIC.”

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**Thank you!**

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