Working Group 4: Quantifying and promoting diversity

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Workplan

This WG is transversal to WGs 1-3 and will focus on how the Action serves inter- and intra-linguistic diversity. Its activities will overlap with the 3 other WGs in:

- 1. Networking for diversity:
 - $\circ\,$ bringing together pre-existing groups dedicated to NLP-applicable universality,
 - integrating experts of (notably low-resourced) languages not yet covered by these groups,
 - integrating experts in linguistic typology;
- 2. Quantifying diversity:
 - designing measures of inter- and intra-linguistic diversity in language resources and tools,
 - $\circ\,$ using these measures to quantify diversity in UD and PARSEME corpora;
- 3. Promoting diversity:
 - procedures for better use of the existing resources, based on their estimated diversity,
 - $\circ\,$ selecting new data to be annotated, so as to favour intra-linguistic diversity,
 - designing **evaluation scenarios** which favour tools performing well on rare and diverse phenomena and low resourced languages,
 - integrating and training new experts dedicated to low-resourced and endangered languages,
 - validating the unified annotation guidelines (WG1) and lexicon formats (WG2) against newly included languages and defining new language-specific categories and extensions, if needed,
 - $\circ\,$ coordinating the creation and enhancement of annotated ${\bf corpora}$ and ${\bf lexica}$ for low-resourced languages,
 - discovering and analysing rare linguistic phenomena, and describing them in resources and tools,
 - $\circ\,$ coordination of the development of NLP tools (WG3) for low-resourced and endangered languages.

Documents

- WG4 Meeting 1 slides and discussion summary **16-17 March 2023**, Paris-Saclay University, France (co-located with UniDive 1st general meeting)
- WG4 online meetings summaries: September 4 2023 (full day), September 29 2023 (1h30), November 10 2023 (1h30)
- Digital Language Survival Kits by the DLDP project

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