The CERL Portal

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The Vision of the CERL Portal

A cross-collection search utility for materials in manuscript collections

- Unites and shares digital resources regarding manuscripts (descriptive records and facsimiles)
- Is hospitable to data of members and non-members of CERL
- Is accessible to everybody without charge or membership obligation

General Features

- The CERL Portal is constructed and hosted by The Electronic Publishing Center (EPC) at Uppsala University Library, Sweden
- Developed as Open Source software (transportable)
- CERL establishes contractual relations with contributing libraries based on a Memorandum of Agreement

Formats and Protocols

- Hospitable to any record formats (MARC, MASTER, or other)
- Supports the OAI protocol (”Local index”, harvested metadata)
- Supports the Z39.50 protocol (”Remote index”, distributed metadata, virtual database)
- Supports SRU protocol

Advanced Features

- Multilingual interface
- Multilingual help-screens
- Integration of the *CERL Thesaurus* (”Assisted Search” on personal names and place names)

Contents: Current Status

Manuscripts and archives:

- By OAI protocol: 6 manuscript databases
- By Z39.50 protocol: 2 manuscript databases
- By SRU protocol: None to date

Printed books;

- By Z39.50 protocol: *The Hand Press Book Database* (HPB with limited display), and *English Short Title Catalog* (ESTC)

The CERL Portal : Search

All words | Složeno pretraživanje. Standardno pretraživanje., click here.

Person | CERL Thesaurus | Place | CERL Thesaurus

Title | Shelfmark

Subject | Year

Search | Clear | Navedene mogućnosti za pretraživanje ne nalazen se u svim bazama podataka.

Manuscripts

Local index	Remote index
Waller Collection, Uppsala, Sweden	Royal Library, Denmark
Manuscriptorium (mss.), Czech Rp.	Laurentius, Lund, Sweden
National Library of Portugal	National Library of Scotland
National Library of Australia	
Digital Scriptorium, Columbia UL, USA	
Ediffah, Sweden	

Early printed material

Local index	Remote index
Manuscriptorium (prints), Czech Rp.	Hand Press Book Database
	English Short Title Catalogue

2,000 records from the Columbia University Library, New York. All records link to digital facsimiles

Language: Dansk | Deutsch | English | Español | Français | Hrvatski | Italiano | Nederlands | Svenska

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Contents: Challenge for 2007

US: Beinecke Library of Yale University

NL: National Library of the Netherlands: (medieval mss.)

DE: Kalliope database of letters and personal archival deposits in German libraries and archives

DE: Manuscripta Medievalia

IT: The MANUS database of ICCU, Roma

Benefits of the CERL Portal

- Extend the awareness of and access to small or specialised manuscript databases
- Extend the expertise of CERL and of manuscript collections on technological issues related to a federated approach to promotion of collections
- Stimulates discussions on practices of cataloguing of manuscripts
- Promotes membership of CERL by pointing to CERL services: HPB, Thesaurus, Provenance initiatives, etc.

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