

00 Wikibase Everywhere!

Reconstructing Sensitive Narratives in Digital History:
Wikibase as a Tool for Enhancing Data Accessibility and Fostering Citizen
Participation

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01 Who are we?

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02 Wikibase?

The screenshot shows the English Wikipedia page for "Wikibase". The page title is "Wikibase" and it is categorized under "MediaWiki extensions". The content includes a brief introduction, a detailed description of what Wikibase is, its history, and its components. It also mentions its data model, user interface, and various projects using it. A sidebar on the right provides information about the software, including its developer (Wikimedia Deutschland), initial release (2012), repository (gerrit.wikimedia.org/g/mediawiki/extensions/Wikibase), type (MediaWiki extension), license (GPL-2.0-or-later), and website (wikiba.se). Below the main content is a "See also" section and an "Install Wikibase" button.

Wikibase entry on en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Wikibase

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The screenshot shows the Wikidata entry for "Wikibase" (Q16354758). The page title is "Wikibase" and it is categorized under "Item". The content includes a brief description of Wikibase as a collection of software for creating, managing, and sharing structured data. A warning message at the top right states that users are not logged in, and their IP address will be publicly visible if they make edits. It also mentions that edits will be attributed to a username. A "publish" button is present. Below this, there is a table showing Wikibase in multiple languages, with columns for Language, Label, and Description. A sidebar on the right contains a "Help:Wikibase" section with instructions for entering aliases. At the bottom, there is a "Statements" section showing relationships such as "instance of free software" and "wiki software".

Wikibase entry on [wikidata.org/wiki/Q16354758](https://www.wikidata.org/wiki/Q16354758)

03 FAIR principles for Open Science

Many projects at our centre serve publishable data online
without programmatic access

47 Projects so far

Many citizen science projects in history asks citizens for
data or metadata

*open science
secondary use of the data
(FAIR)*

**Much of the research data remains hidden or
unexploited:** we miss many opportunities for semantic
connections...

**119 staff and students from 29
nationalities:
Turn over, multiple
perspectives....**

Finally, when data is deposited in our Dataverse, **at the end
of each project, it remains static and siloed.**

04 Our use case: Luxembourg Mémorial de la Shoah

The screenshot shows a biography page for Sally FAKTOROWITSCH (1902-1943). The page includes a title, a summary of her life, and two historical documents from 1918 and 1927.

Sally FAKTOROWITSCH (1902-1943), Chaje DRYBINSKY (1872-1949), Della LEVY (1906-1944), Jacqueline FAKTOROWITSCH (1931-1944)

Sally Faktorowitsch, born in Munich to a family from the Ukraine who fled the pogroms, met Della Lévy, born in Germany to a family returning to Luxembourg from the United States, in Cologne before coming to found their family in Luxembourg City, where their daughter Jacqueline was born, and not being able to escape the fury of anti-Semitism and Nazism. Chaje Faktorowitsch, née Drybinsky (Drubinsky), Sally's mother, lived through all the forced emigrations from the banks of the Dnieper where she was born, through Germany, Luxembourg, France where she was able to take refuge with one of her daughters, and finally died in the United States after the war.¹

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PEOPLE MENTIONED:

Chaje Drybinsky ou Drubinsky 15 Mar 1872 — Krementschuk Ukraine	Salomon dit Sally Faktorowitsch 9 Apr 1902 — 12 Feb 1943 Krementschuk Ukraine
Jacqueline Faktorowitsch 24 Dec 1931 — Luxembourg-Gasperich Luxembourg	Gudella dit Della Lévy 7 Nov 1906 — Wiltingen Allemagne

Salomon known as Sally Faktorowitsch

Sally was the last of seven children. He was born on 9 April 1902 in Krementschuk,² on the banks of the Dnieper, to Chaim Bernhard Faktorowitsch and Chana (or Chaje) Mina Drybinsky.³ His father was born on 15 May 1863 in Krilow, formerly known as Novogeorgievsk. Her mother was born on 15 March 1872 in Krementschuk. They were married on 15 Jul. 1890. Their seven children were born between Krementschuk and Novogeorgievsk: Five in 1892: Moïsche (Moy) in 1894: Faïss (Fanny) in 1895: Gerschen (Gersch).

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Add a pebble to the Memorial

1915 — 1918

« Personalausweis » de Chase (Mina) Faktorowitsch, 1er novembre 1918.
Jan 11, 1918

1920 — 1927

Note de la Direction de la Police de Munich sur Sally Faktorowitsch, 5 mai 1927.
Mar 5, 1927

Project goal

Enable people to write scholarly peer-reviewed essays about one family or a specific social group.

Contributors must submit:

- | A simple DOCX biography
- | Source documents (scans if they can be used)
- | Bibliographic references (Zotero)
- | A Google Form filled out for each individual mentioned in the biography

05 A complex structure

Biographie

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Not shared

Nom(s), prénom(s)

Nom de famille de la personne à la naissance (si plusieurs graphies, les indiquer toutes):
Your answer

Si changement officiel de nom, par mariage ou par décision de justice, indiquer le second nom de famille en précisant "nom d'épouse" ou "nom d'usage".
Your answer

Si autre(s) nom(s) (second mariage, nom d'emprunt pendant la guerre), préciser :
Your answer

Prénoms (si prénom d'usage, mettre au format « Salomon dit Sally »):
Your answer

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Note de la Direction de la Police de Munich sur Sally Faktorowitsch, 5 mars 1927.

Note: this resource has not been translated.

5 Mar 1927

REFERENCE

Note de la Direction de la Police de Munich sur Sally Faktorowitsch, 5 mars 1927.
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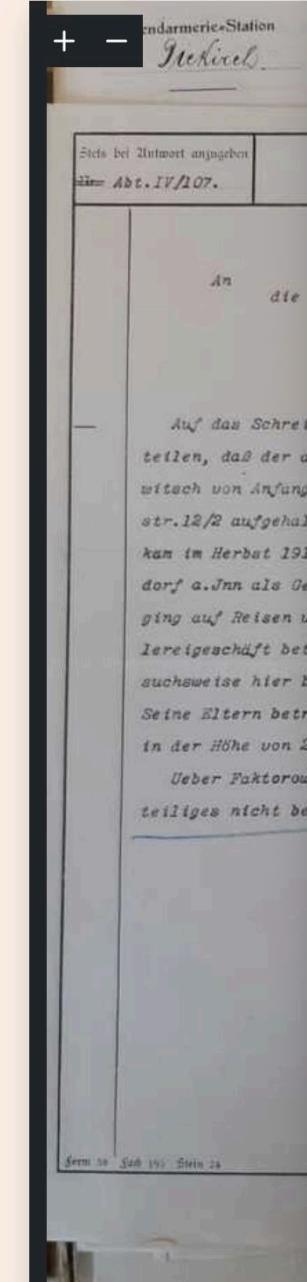
ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Note de la Direction de la Police de Munich sur Sally Faktorowitsch, 5 mars 1927.

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Gudella dit Della Lévy

Gudella dit Della Lévy was born on 7 November 1906 in Wiltingen, Germany.

First name	Gudella dit Della
Last name	Lévy
Last name (Family name)	Faktorowitsch
Date of birth	7 Nov 1906
Notes on date of birth	11 Jul 1906
Place of birth (current name)	Wiltingen
Country of birth (current name)	Allemagne
Date of death	—
Place of death	Chelmno
Country of death	Pologne
Nationality	Allemande



[image](#)
Della Lévy, photo sur sa demande de carte d'identité pour étranger, 1934.

Jul 28, 1934

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06 A SparQL in the eye :): Wikibase Cloud, Wikibase world and WBStack

The screenshot shows the 'Create a wiki' form on the Wikibase Cloud platform. It includes fields for 'Site name' (e.g., Goat Collective), 'Site domain' (Free Subdomain or Custom Domain), and 'Your user' (e.g., Addshore). A 'NEXT >' button is at the bottom right. The footer contains links for About, Discovery, Documentation, Platform Status, Github, Privacy Policy, Terms of Use, Imprint, and Contact.

wikibase.cloud

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The screenshot shows the 'Project:Home' page on Wikibase World. It features a sidebar with links like Accueil, Discussion, Modifications récentes, Recent discussions, Page au hasard, Forum, Aide concernant MediaWiki, Outils, Pages liées, Suivi des pages liées, Pages spéciales, Version imprimable, Lien permanent, Informations sur la page, Wikibase, New Item, New Property, New Schema, All Properties, Query Service, Cradle, QuickStatements, and Dans d'autres langues. The main content area discusses Wikibase World as a collaborative database and provides instructions for adding a Wikibase. It also lists various Wikibases and their properties. The URL shown is wikibase.world/wiki/Project:Home.

wikibase.world/wiki/Project:Home

The screenshot shows a GitHub repository named 'wbaas-deploy' owned by 'wmde'. The repository has 18 pull requests, 8 stars, 5 forks, 11 watching, 32 branches, and 42 tags. It is described as 'Code to deploy wikibase.cloud and related infrastructure'. The codebase is organized into several directories: .github, bin, doc, k8s, skaffold, tf, .gitignore, .tool-versions, .yamlLint.yaml, and LICENSE. The repository was last updated 4 years ago. The URL shown is github.com/wmde/wbaas-deploy.

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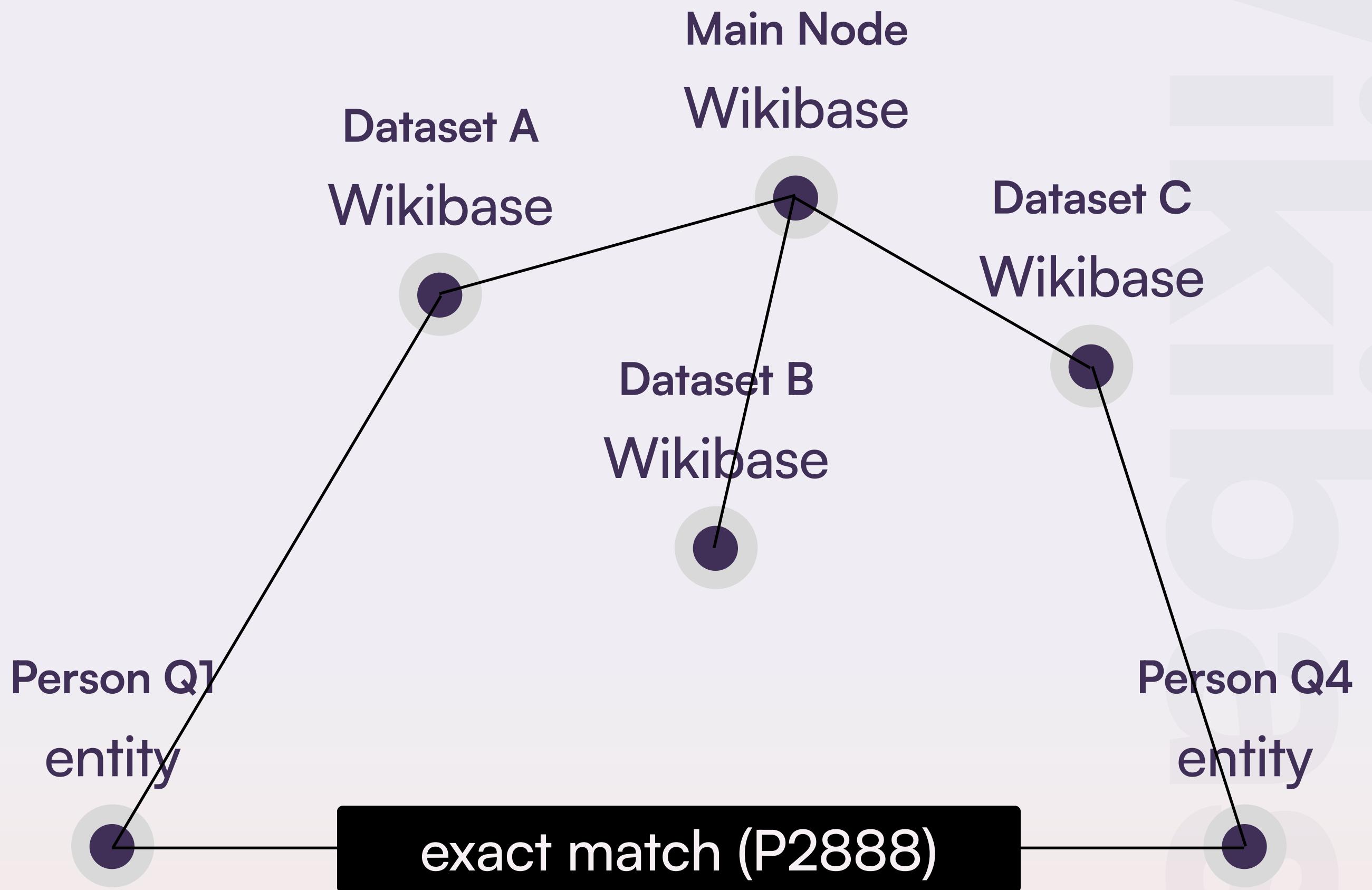


07 Our concept: one Wikibase instance per project...

Deploy many **independent, secured, project-specific** Wikibase instances, one per project (open to public or not).

They are generated on for every dataset in our Dataverse.

Connect them via federated search and nourish a main Wiki
Each would have a unique, accessible endpoint.



08 In conclusion

Challenges and opportunities

Difficult of data protection law and sensitivity data

Semantic tools and AI can open up the silos for the new-coming researchers and facilitate citizen engagement (crowdsourcing)

Luxembourg is developing a Shared Authority File for Luxembourg's Cultural Institutions using Wikibase

Next steps

Team up with neighbouring universities

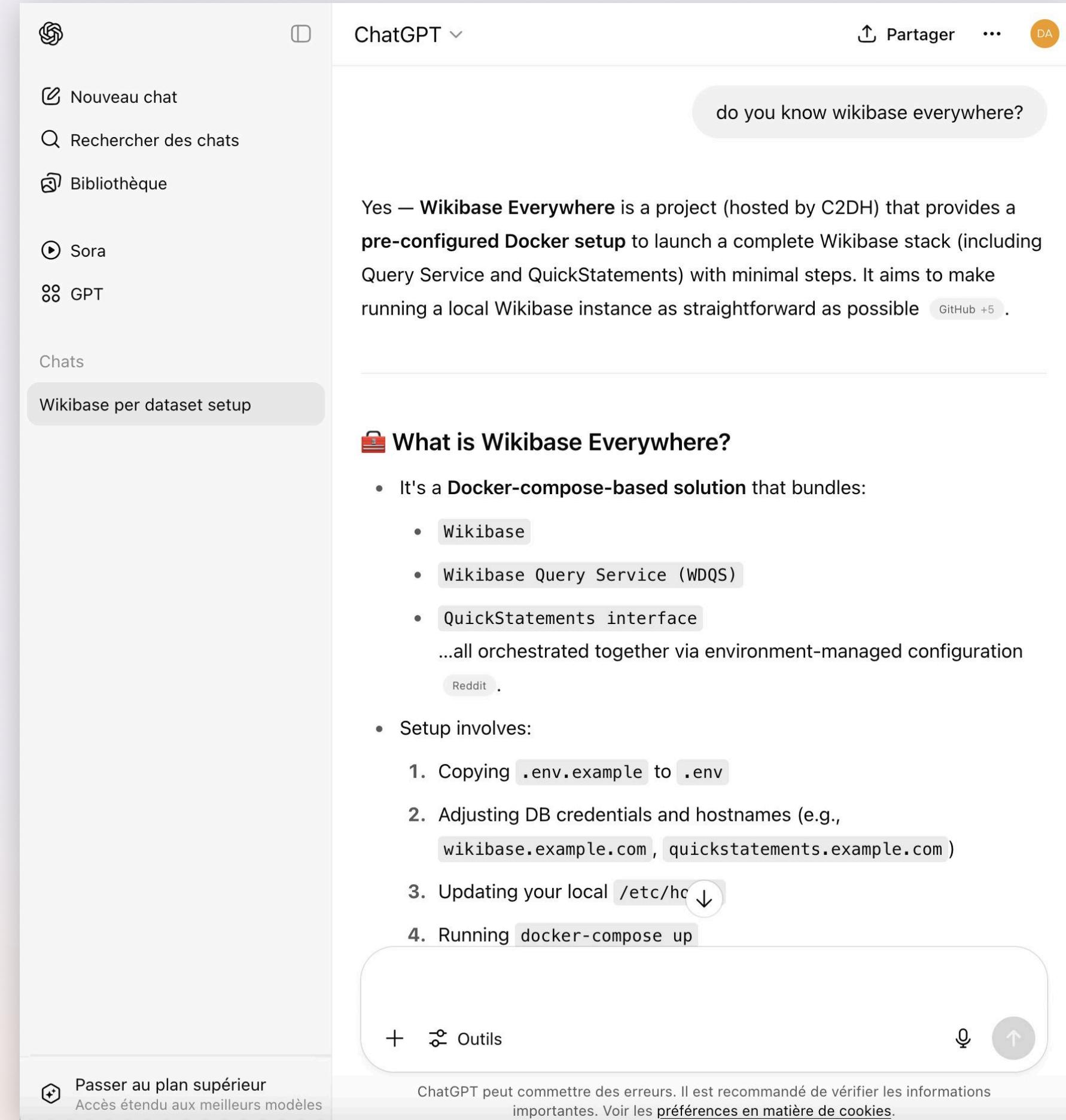
Collaborate with DHWiki and wikibase initiatives

09 Obrigados, teşekkürler, grazie mille, merci, danke and thank you!

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PhD position ahead!



Wikibase Everywhere is already on ChatGPT!