Automatic Handwriting Recognition: exercices

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Guided exercise

- Log in to the server : https://escriptorium.inria.fr
 - login : apinche_formation password : training1234
- Create a new project : YOURNAME
- In your project, create a new document :
- Load 4 pages of the source : ADD document
- Apply a segmentation model (blla.mlmodel)
- Orrect the segmentation
- Apply a transcription model : ADD name of the model
- Make necessary corrections
- Export the data

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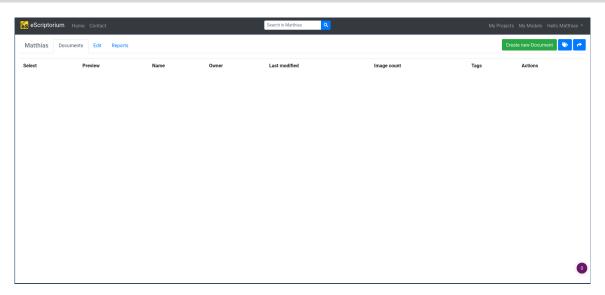
Choose your document

- The data is in our repo: https://github.com/matgille/SEHM_2024_HTR
- You have the choice between the *General Estoria* (13th century), the *Regimiento de los Prínçipes* (1374), the *Libro de la Montería de Alfonso* (15th century), and the *Gargantua* (1534)

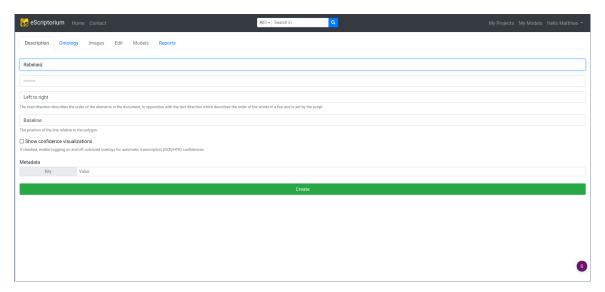
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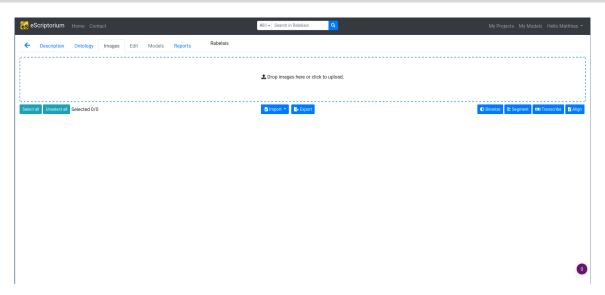
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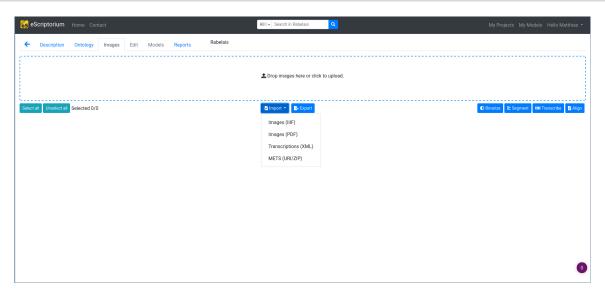
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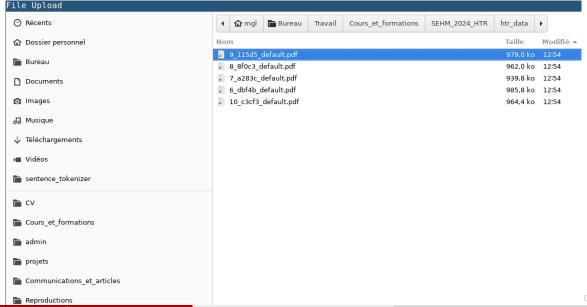
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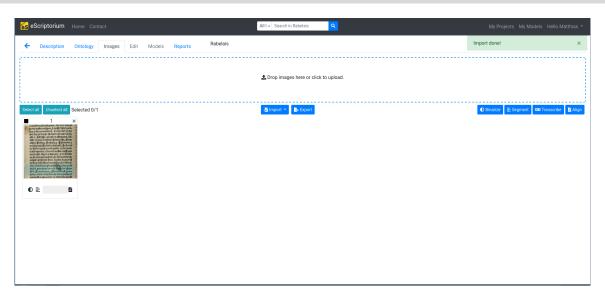
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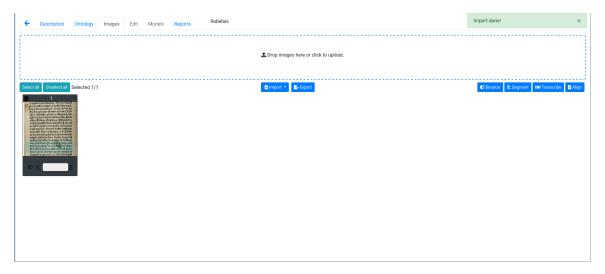
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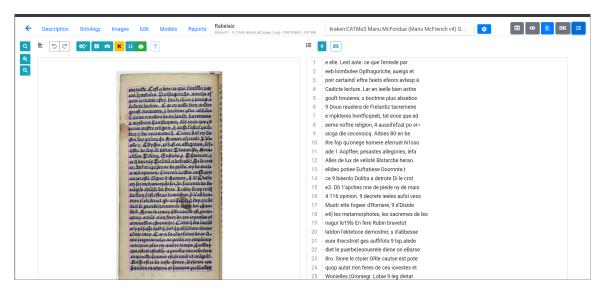


Image(s) selection



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Tiling system in eScriptorium



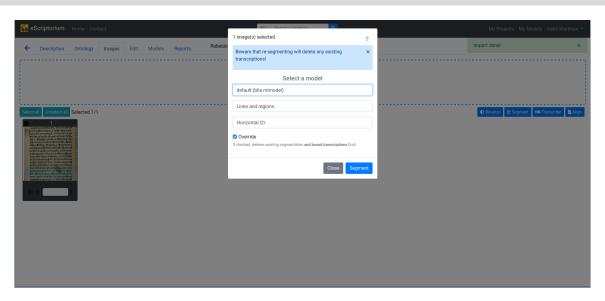
Tiling system in eScriptorium



Figure – Left to right : metadata, source image, segmentation, transcription, text

- Each icon toggles a tile with a specific function
- We will be using using only the three last tiles: « segmentation » and « transcription » for correcting the text, « text » for correcting the line order and copying the transcription to the « manual » session

Zones and lines segmentation



Zones and lines segmentation correction

- Sometimes the zones and/or lines segmentation is incorrect and needs to be modified manually
- The « segmentation » tile is to be active to correct the zones and lines.

Some useful tips

- There a two modes in the segmentation tile :
 - Regions
 - Lines
- You can switch mode by pressing the R button.

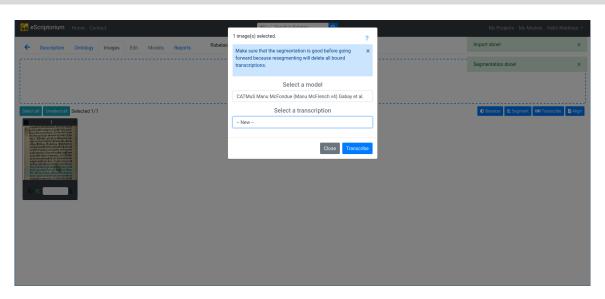
Some useful tips

- Left click creates an object
- Right click + shift moves the image
- In lines mode,
 - you can either create a line by clicking once and then again in another location of the image;
 - Or create a continuous line by holding down the left mouse button and moving the mouse (less useful).
- C toggles the scissor mode, to cut lines or zones
- L toggles the order mode, to check if the lines are in the good order.

Some useful tips

- The interface uses some keybord shortcuts that are common to a lot of softwares :
- Shift toggles the zone selection : you can select a portion of line or zone, to modify their position
- Once you've selected some point, you can move them together holding CTRL and moving the cursor.

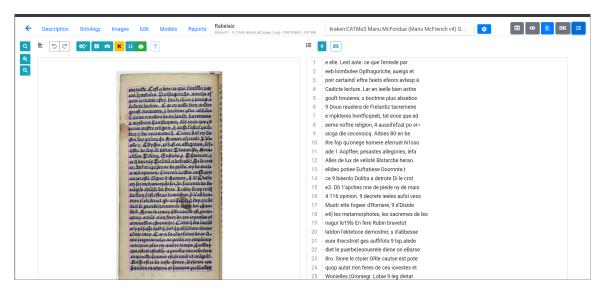
Transcription



Copy text to manual transcription

• It is a good practice to correct the transcription in a new transcription session, to avoid overwriting the data

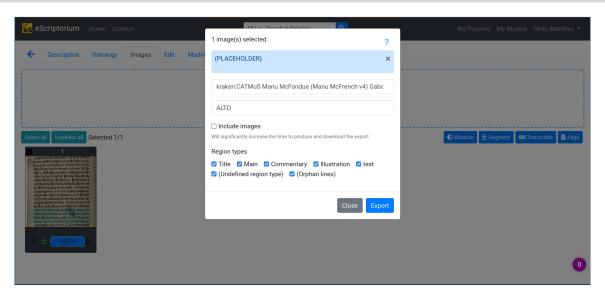
Copy text to manual transcription



Correction of transcription



Export the transcription



Export the transcription

• Be sure to select the correct transcription session (manual) and format



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Exercise (1)

- In your project file create a new document : DOCUMENTID
 - Download 2 images from Gallica :
 - National Library of France. Department of Manuscripts. NAF 23686 (Lives of saints in French, https://gallica.bnf.fr/ark:/12148/btv1b8446925z)(13th c. manuscript in french)
 - National Library of France. Department of Performing Arts, RESERVE 4-RF-87512 (Latin, Legenda Aurea), https://gallica.bnf.fr/ark:/12148/bpt6k1281158q (gothic print in latin, 15th c.)
 - Lyon Public Library, FC011, https://gallica.bnf.fr/ark:/12148/bpt6k79207j/f36.item (print in french, 16th c.)

Exercise (2)

- Import betweeen 2 in eScriptorium
- Apply a segmentation model (regions, then baselines)
- Apply an HTR model (Use a pre-existing model)
- Orrect the transcription
- Export the results :
 - Export the transcription as txt
 - Export the transcription as Alto XML