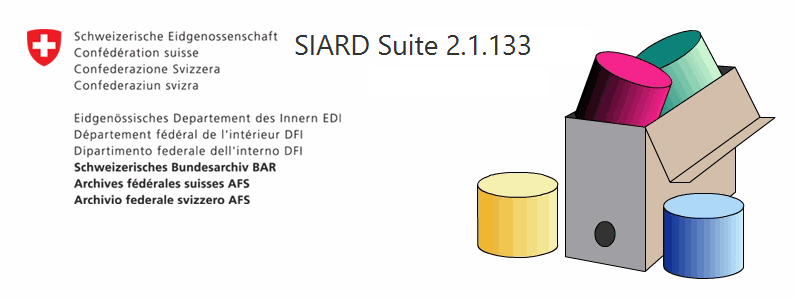
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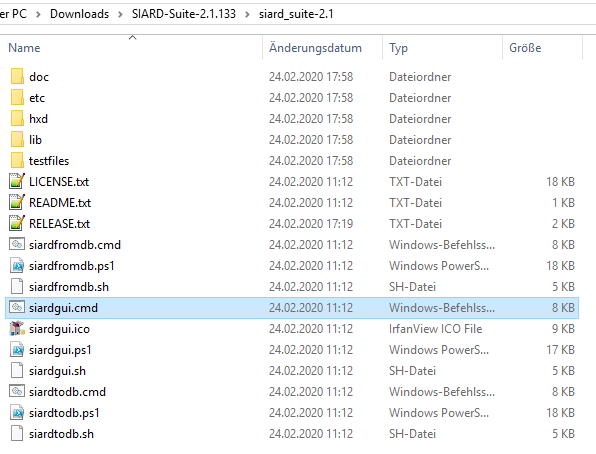
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# Installation

* To install SIARD Suite, JRE version 1.8 or higher is required.
* Download the latest release of “SIARD-Suite-2.1.xxx.zip” on GitHub. (The link on the website of the Swiss Federal Archives leads directly to the correct zip-file)
* Extract (unzip) the downloaded folder before starting the installation.
* Depending on how the computer is set up, there are three different options to install SIARD Suite:

The most forward option is by double clicking on the siardgui.cmd. Most organisations use security barriers, which may block the execution of cmd-files. If this is the case, you can execute a jar-file or alternatively force the installation with a command.

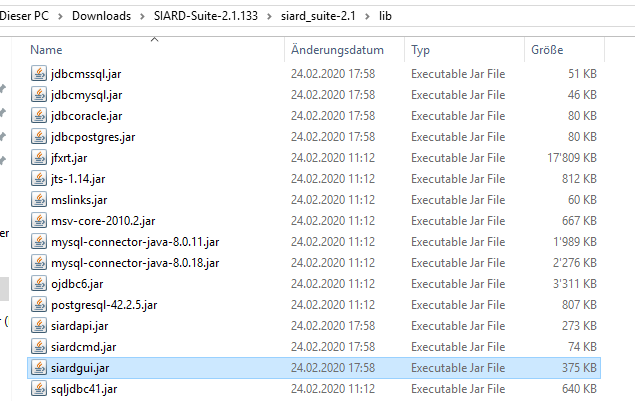
## Option 1: No security barriers



Navigate to the unzipped folder “siard\_suite-2.x” and double click on the file “siardgui.cmd”

(Or “siargui.sh” for LINUX)

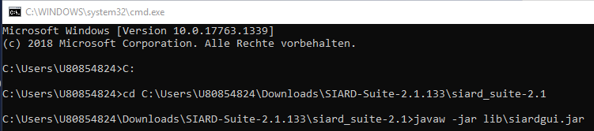
## Option 2: Security barriers block the execution of cmd-files



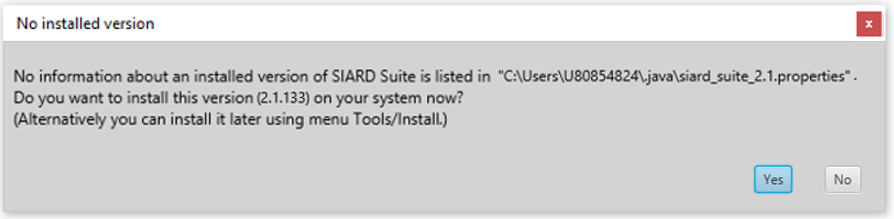
Navigate to the folder “lib” and double click on the file “siardgui.jar”

## Option 3: Neither cmd nor jar files can be executed

Open a command window (Windows + R, then type “cmd”) and navigate to the path of the file “siardgui.cmd” described above. Type in the command line: **javaw –jar lib\siardgui.jar**



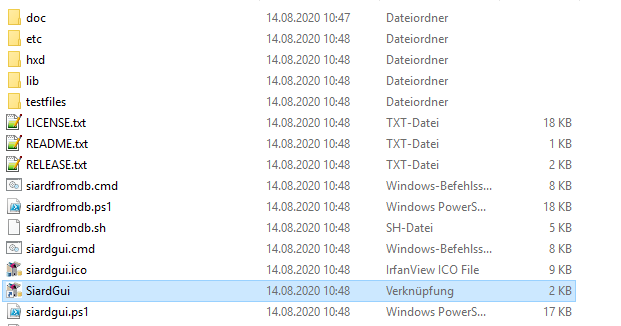
🡪 Whichever option you choose, the following window will open automatically:

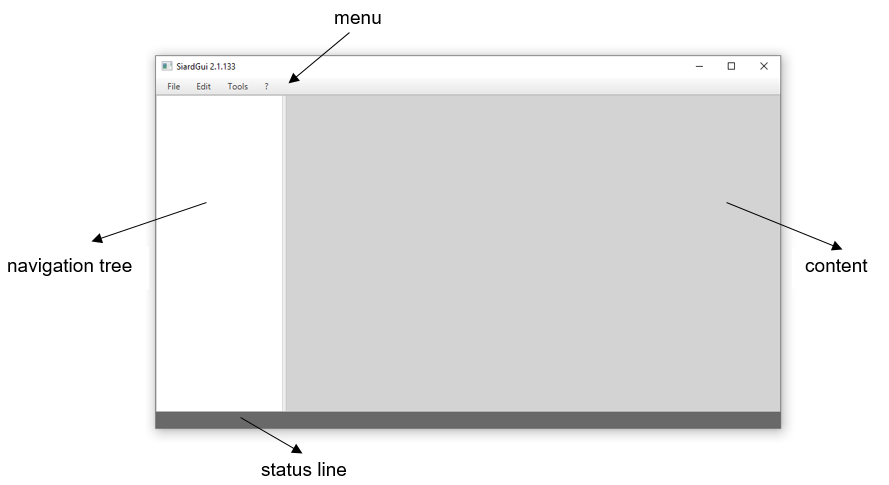


If you choose “Yes”, you will be prompted to enter the name of a new or empty folder where a copy of the SIARD distribution will be installed.

# First steps

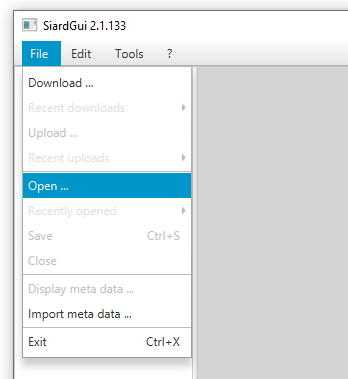
After successfully installing SIARD Suite, it can be started from the chosen folder (by double clicking on the linkage “SiardGui”) or in the Windows start menu.

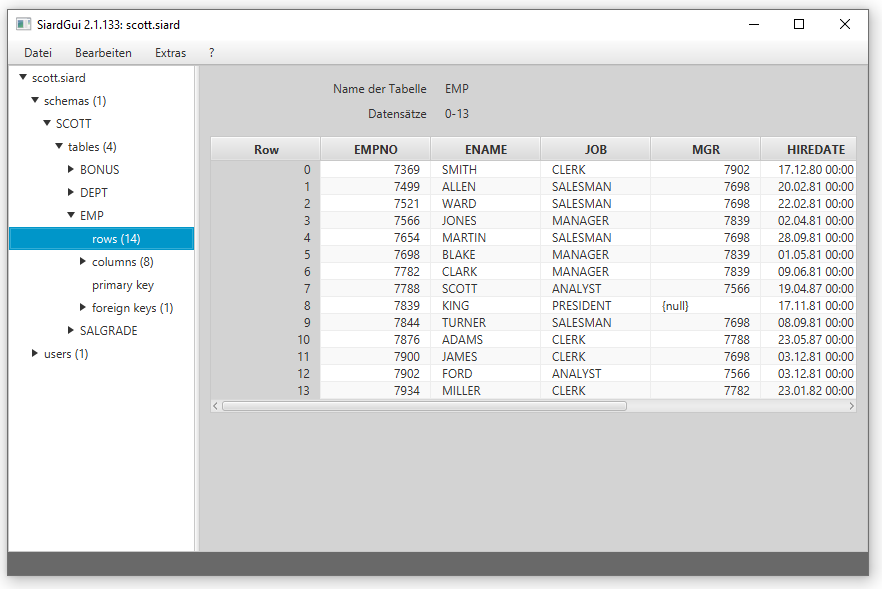


The main window will open, which first always appears empty. It consists of a menu, navigation tree, content and a status line.

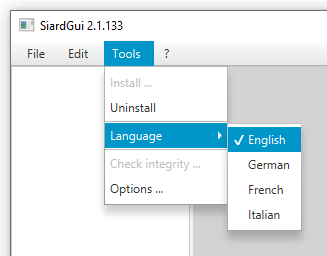
Note that the menu items are disabled when they are not applicable to the current situation.

* Open a file under *Menu > File > Open*





* Select your preferred language under *Menu > Tools > Language*



* You can find the extensive user manual under *Menu > ? > Help.* This will help you with all further steps while using SIARD Suite

