

# STELLA at DIPF

Integration of additional data-providers

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DIPF provides and maintains several information retrieval infrastructures

FIS Bildung Literaturdatenbank (German Education Index)

- Indexing by 30 partners
- Recently hit 1.000.000 entries

### peDOCS

Open Access repository with ~ 20.000 publications



### <u>Deutscher Bildungsserver</u> (German Education Server)

- Access to documents
- Background information regarding the German education system
- Also gives international context

### Forschungsdatenzentrum Bildung FDZ (Research Data Centre for Education)

- Part of German Network of Educational Research Data
- Participates in the NFDI



Those four infrastructures are accessible via

Fachportal Pädagogik (German Education Portal)

Meta search as well includes documents form ERIC, Library of Congress and more

#### Also:

### <u>IWWB</u>

- Portal for finding vocational training courses
- current project aims at implementing new features
- e.g. testing of chat bots



### Many partners collaborate in several infrastructures

- 30 at FIS Bildung Literaturdatenbank
- 80+ Partners at IWWB
- → Harmonization of interests and capacities have to be considered



#### Research on and for infrastructures commit to

#### supporting open science practices of others via

- Open access repositories
- (Open) data centers

#### follow open science practices

- Transparency of infrastructure and processes (e.g. metadata)
  - E.g. implementing infrastructure as "citable data"
- Reproducible data
- Collaboration and participation, as well with research-extern groups like infrastructure users

## Research investigations



DIPF aims at improving its infrastructures via user studies

- Non-reactive methods like logfiles, click rate
- Reactive methods like online surveys, workshops, usability and search tests

Possible questions related to retrieval relevance assessment

- How is the completeness of metadata influencing relevance decision?
  - Background: diverse metadata due to different sources (meta search Fachportal and IWWB) and different indexing providers (e.g. FIS Bildung)
- How do the searches and relevance assessments differ for the same resources (e.g. data) in different frontends?
  - E.g. data from FDZ is searchable via FDZ portal and via Fachportal

## Challenges



Due to the infrastructure and exchanges in the backend:

- Creating snapshots (partially distributed Systems)
  - Maintain reproducibility, i.e. as data sets are updated, studies need to consider changes
- Defining and interpreting click rate as infrastructures differ and DIPF has diverse user groups like researcher and school teachers, educational practitioners

#### Questions to STELLA



#### (Research) Question

- How to provide the data in a reproducible way?
  - Researchers need to know which data set they use and how updates might influence outcomes
- How to feedback information created by the living lab participants?
  - DIPF wants to know outcomes that can improve their systems, i.e. researchers need to make their data and results transparent, and transfer them to the data providing infrastructures
- How to provide "new methods" to the running system with live users?
  - How to roll-out (and roll-back) a method to the live-system?
  - How to detect bad ranking behavior?
  - What "influence" do data providers have and how should they use it?



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