Sustainability in DARIAH

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Two aspects of Sustainability

Facing the User   Facing the Institution
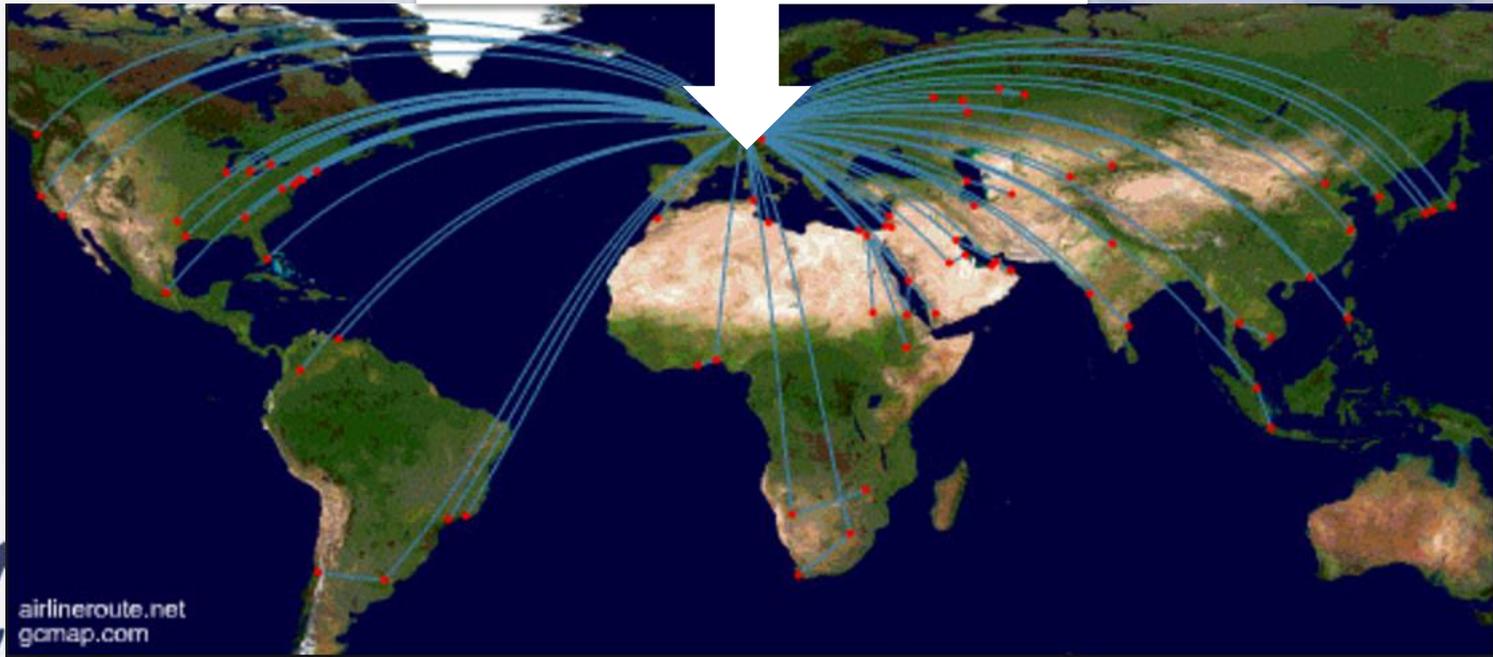
Relation to the user: SUSTAINABILITY IS REUSE

- Infrastructure is there to facilitate activity without determining how it should be done (Edwards)
- Users gather and self-organise
- User benefits from helpful services
- Can provide feedback/request new services
- Identifies the branding and likely to come back
- Creates reputation

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Stability of the Institutional Setting

1. Stability of the institutional setting is less important than the relation to scholars

1. HOWEVER, stability has the advantage of facilitating the provision of trust and branding (the other way round in terms of easy things to achieve)

Stability of the Institutional Setting

- Why
  - Not mandatory (cf. summer schools, OSS, one person developments)
  - Facilitates branding (cf. summer schools)
  - Provides trust (repository solutions)
- What: What: what is sustainability comprised of
  - Dedicated institution (vs. university department)
  - Staff, competence
  - Technical infrastructure

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Stability of the Institutional Setting

- How: which form can a sustainable service provider can take?
  - Specific service unit
  - Integration in a library environment or computing center
  - Need to enhance the university and other possible models, not compete

Transposing this to DARIAH (Organisational Question...)

- DARIAH as a federation of national infrastructures
  - Reaching out to a wider community at the service of each country
  - DARIAH as marketplace and hierarchy

Transposing this to DARIAH (but also the funding question)

- Platform from which to build productive relationships between macro level entities
  - Other ERICs (in a landscape where ERICs are proliferating
  - Projects
  - Role of scholarly societies, research networks, EU projects

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Transposing this to DARIAH 4 (different aspects)

- Aspects of projects (data, platfroms, tools, technologies...)

- Communities, Knowledge in a changing world

- Tools and Methodological Supports in a changing world

- Position and dignity of the disciplines (in a changing world)

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Transposing this to DARIAH 3 (different aspects?)

- Political tool to establish/strengthen national settings
  - Attractor for the formation of a higher-level identity

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