#### HunCRIS – towards semantic interoperability of CRIS-es

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## HunCRIS in the Hungarian National Innovation System

- Information system of publicly financed Hungarian RTD projects, established by Hungarian Government Resolution No. 160/2001
- Adopted Commission Recommendation of 6 May 1991 concerning the harmonization within the Community of research and technological development databases (91/337/CEE)
  - Annex I. CERIF
  - Annex II. a multilingual and multidisciplinary common classification system
- HunCRIS is
  - Owned by the National Office for Research and Technology (NKTH)
  - Operated by BME OMIKK





## CERIF data model

- Entities Project, Person, OrgUnit
- n to m type relations



## Software and basic workflow in HunCRIS

- CERIF–2000 compatible structure
  - Concentrating on Project entity
  - Upgrades with CERIF-2002, -2004 and -2006 versions
- Workflow under JSP application
  - Data upload
  - Data checking, validation
  - Identification of pre-recorded Persons and OrgUnits
  - Keyword processing
    - Uniform structure, bilingual equivalence
    - Positioning in the structure
- Authority management
  - Roles: data owner, HunCRIS team member, analyst, explorer
- Available at: <u>https://nkr.info.omikk.bme.hu</u>
- Software developer: IQSYS Co.



## **Basic Services of HunCRIS 1**





## Advanced Services of HunCRIS Matches all of the following

Bárho

Farkas Eva CHINOIN Gender studies

Korm. rendelet szerint bármely témában Magyar tudományágak - 2. szint

avak szerint bármely témában

Ortelius szerint bármely témában

Hibás projektek

névre keres Ortelius - 2. szint

Public queries

- Providing dynamic links
- Content sensitive help year of the p
- Storing and reusing queries
- Instant message service
  - from registered users to researchers
- Assistance to query building
- Editing documents with projects data that meet pre-set query conditions

## Thesauri and controlled terms

- Parallel structured lists of elements
  - Hungarian national classification system (63 items)
  - Ortelius Thesaurus classification system for Electronic Proposal Submission System (EPSS) (2067 items)
  - Structured set of key expressions provided with project descriptions (13663 items)
  - OECD's Fields of Science and Technology (not installed yet)
  - Roles, project positions, work positions, programmes, territorial units
- Structure
  - Bilingual list elements
  - Separated linking table
    - Multiple parents
      but no circular references



### Semantic features of HunCRIS

- Parallel use of vocabularies
- "Rebuild query" option (from project)
  - To search similar projects
    - Fine tuning of rebuilt Boolean query
- Extended indexing
- Cognitive science, corpus, corpus of child language, Grammar, Humanities, language Language sciences, learning, Lexicology, Linguistics, mental grammar, Psycholinguistic Psychological sciences, Social sciences, statistical learning mechanism, Syntax
- Adding all parents of index terms
- Advantages of extended indexing
  - "Position" of any project in knowledge space is determined by the index vector in the multidimensional space of concepts (vocabulary)
  - "Distance" and "angle" between projects can be calculated from index vectors
  - Metrics of similarity between any pair of projects or metrics of conformity between a query and a project can be calculated
  - Visual representations of knowledge space in one, two or three dimensions can be generated

## A thought experiment – parallel use of different vocabularies

- There are three concurrent structured sets of expressions to describe each project in HunCRIS
- The descriptions of one of them looks like

	Keywords provided by the project leader
Index set 1	Cognitive science, corpus, corpus of child language, Grammar, Humanities, language acquisition, Language sciences, learning, Lexicology, Linguistics, mental grammar, Psycholinguistics,
	Psychological sciences, Social sciences, statistical learning mechanism, Syntax
Index set 2	Scientific classification (according to the Annex of 169/2000. (IX. 29) Regulation of the Hungarian Government)
	Humanities, Informatics, Language sciences, Psychology, Technological and engineering sciences
	Rejectific algorithm (constraint to the Ortalius theosyurus)
Index set 3	
Computer science, F	Computer science, Humanities, Informatics, Language sciences, Linguistics, Physical sciences,
	Psychological sciences, Psychology, Social sciences

• Let us suppose that they describe the same project in three different CRIS-es, and start testing the level of semantic similarity!

## **Testing similarities of CRIS-es**

• The accuracy of interoperated service



- depends on the difference between vocabularies
  - between index sets 1 and 2 is smaller than either between index sets 1 and 3 or index sets 2 and 3
- and on the number of steps from CRIS to CRIS
  - if CRIS 3 looks up data from CRIS 1 via CRIS 2, the quality is lower than in case of direct linking

# Recommendations for project using semantic interoperability

- XML wrapper with extended indexes locally
- Portal software with
  - Metadata library of all involved CRIS-es to ensure syntactic interoperability
  - Optimal use of local resources (vocabularies)
  - Value added semantic, analytic and visualization tools
- Installing portal to all participating CRIS-es in order to
  - Gain full power of tools on data of local CRIS-es
  - Adopt and emphasise local priorities
  - Support for customizing services
  - Make the business model sustainable