

# Interdisciplinary Web Portal: Text Production and Writing Research

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## ◀ Key data

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- funded by Deutsche Forschungsgemeinschaft (DFG)
  - timeframe: 2 years
  - DFG-programme: thematic networks/ Scientific Library Services and Information Systems (LIS)
  - concept
    - build and establish interdisciplinary research portal
    - offer prototypical solutions
  - focus on research in German-speaking area
  - cooperation
    - chairs of textlinguistic/ technical communication and computer science 4 (RWTH Aachen University of technology)
- close cooperation with scientific community**

## abstract

**Eva-Maria Jakobs/ Matthias Knopp (RWTH Aachen)****The “Interdisciplinary Web Portal: Text Production and Writing Research”**

The presentation introduces our project “Interdisciplinary Web Portal: Text Production and Writing Research”, funded by the German Research Foundation (DFG). Its idea is to build and establish an interdisciplinary research portal for text production and writing research that is open-access. The idea refers to the problem that text production and writing are highly interdisciplinary and diversified fields of research – especially in regard to the tradition in Europe and the U.S. Research interests, empirical methods and theoretical models vary, it is difficult to get an overview about research findings, to find coherences and to link different research areas. This difficulty is among other things due to a problem of accessibility.

The aim of the portal is to link the widely spread research by using on the one hand different forms of instruments like search engines that are topic-, author- or discipline-related and benefit on the other hand from visualization tools like semantic networks and mindmaps. By these cutting-edge doorways researchers should be enabled to easily get an overview of existing research; disclose, make and visualize coherence; build new networks and connect their work. By the open-access and the low-threshold approach it should get simpler for researchers to get in contact to each other, to access research-results and especially to gain new insights.

Ultimately this web portal intends to enhance the functional and spanning dialogue among researchers, rise the visibility and availability of research-results and offers the potential for an information-knot about models, methods and (current) developments. The portal supports networking between researchers of different disciplines and connects existing initiatives in this field (e.g. EARLI-SIG).