



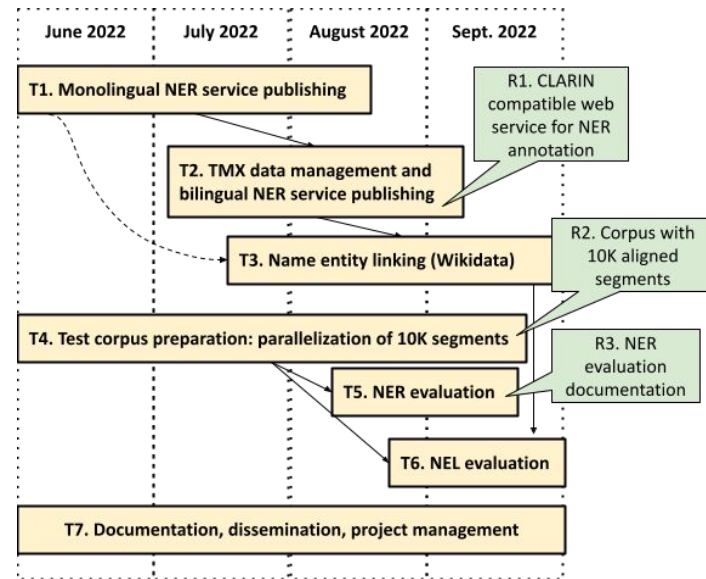
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It-Sr-NER: CLARIN compatible NER and geoparsing web services for parallel texts: case study Italian and Serbian

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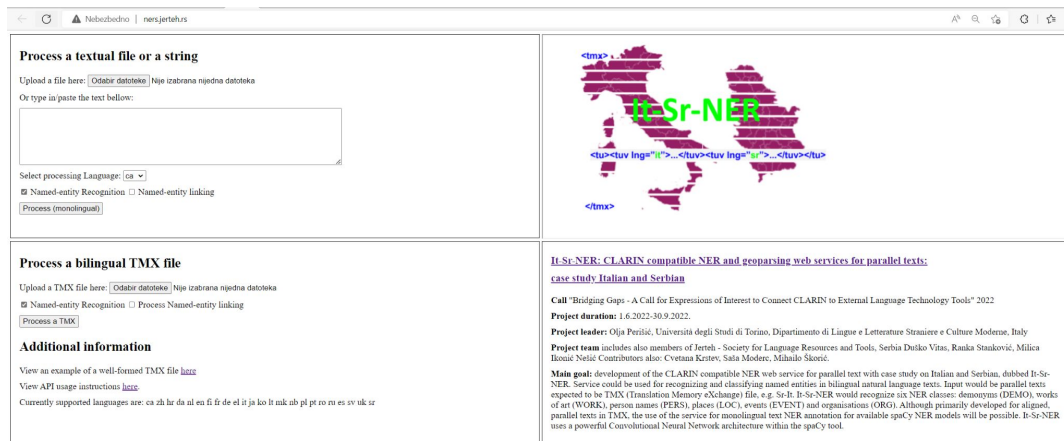
Project intro

- Project title: *It-Sr-NER: CLARIN compatible NER and geoparsing web services for parallel texts: case study Italian and Serbian*
- grantNo: CE-2022-2070, funding type: EU - CLARIN Bridging Gaps project.
- Project URL: <https://github.com/rankastankovic/It-Sr-NER/>
- Demo data URL: <https://github.com/rankastankovic/It-Sr-NER/tree/main/corpus>
- Service URL: <http://ners.jerteh.rs/>
- Project tasks T1-T7, Project outcomes: R1-R3
- **Project leader:** *Olja Perišić*, Università degli Studi di Torino, Dipartimento di Lingue e Letterature Straniere e Culture Moderne, Italy
- **Project team** Duško Vitas, Ranka Stanković, Milica Ikonić, Cvetana Krstev, Saša Moderc, Mihailo Škorić.



T1. Monolingual NER service publishing

- It-Sr-NER-ws web service is a CLARIN-compatible web service accessible via a convenient web interface, with options to either upload monolingual, text files with output containing NE annotations. Main web service site is <http://ners.jerteh.rs/>
- The user can input text or upload the text file in one of the offered languages.
- If the short text is pasted into the corresponding text area, the application will show the input text containing named entity annotations. In the case of a text file, the same text file but containing NE-annotated text will be returned.
- The annotation is possible for languages with spaCy NER models on the backhand.
- For web application and service development, Python programming language was used. The guidelines published on https://weblicht.sfs.uni-tuebingen.de/weblichtwiki/index.php/Developer_Manual will be followed.
- It-Sr-NER-ws is hosted at JERTEH infrastructure and integrated into the CLARIN ERIC Switchboard, with consultation with the central CLARIN developer's office.



The screenshot displays the web interface of the It-Sr-NER service. The browser address bar shows 'ners.jerteh.rs'. The main content area is divided into two sections: 'Process a textual file or a string' and 'Process a bilingual TMX file'. The first section includes an upload button, a text input area, and checkboxes for 'Named-entity Recognition' and 'Process (monolingual)'. The second section includes a TMX upload button and checkboxes for 'Named-entity Recognition' and 'Process Named-entity linking'. A sidebar on the right features a map of Italy with 'It-Sr-NER' overlaid and a list of project details, including the project name, duration, leader, team, and goals.

Process a textual file or a string

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Or type in/paste the text below:

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☒ Named-entity Recognition ☐ Named-entity linking

[Process \(monolingual\)](#)

Process a bilingual TMX file

Upload a TMX file here: [Odaber datoteku](#) | Nije izabrana nijedna datoteka

☒ Named-entity Recognition ☐ Process Named-entity linking

[Process a TMX](#)

Additional information

View an example of a well-formed TMX file [here](#)

View API usage instructions [here](#)

Currently supported languages are: ca zh hr da nl en fi fr de el ja ko it mk ab pl pt ro es sv uk sr

It-Sr-NER: CLARIN compatible NER and geoparsing web services for parallel texts: case study Italian and Serbian

Call "Bridging Gaps - A Call for Expressions of Interest to Connect CLARIN to External Language Technology Tools" 2022

Project duration: 1.6.2022-30.9.2022.

Project leader: Oľia Peritš, Università degli Studi di Torino, Dipartimento di Lingue e Letterature Straniere e Culture Moderne, Italy

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Main goal: development of the CLARIN compatible NER web service for parallel text with case study on Italian and Serbian, dubbed It-Sr-NER. Service could be used for recognizing and classifying named entities in bilingual natural language texts. Input would be parallel texts expected to be TMX (Translation Memory eXchange) files, e.g. Sr-It. It-Sr-NER would recognize six NER classes: demonym (DEMO), words of art (WORK), person names (PERSON), places (LOC), events (EVENT) and organisations (ORG). Although primarily developed for aligned, parallel texts as TMX, the use of the service for monolingual text NER annotation for available spaCy NER models will be possible. It-Sr-NER uses a powerful Convolutional Neural Network architecture within the spaCy tool.

T2. TMX management and bilingual NER services publishing

It-Sr-NER-ws function for processing TMX files as input, then providing appropriate named entity annotations, retaining the same TMX format.

Here is an example translation unit (<tu>) with annotated translation unit variants (<tuv>), where each aligned segment (<seg>) is annotated using the appropriate NER model

(e.g. Italian or Serbian)



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<tu>
  <tuv xml:lang="it" creationid="n12 " creationdate="20211202T203105Z">
    <seg><PERS>Phileas Fogg</PERS>, <DEMO>inglese</DEMO> certamente, non era, forse
<DEMO>londinese</DEMO>. </seg>
  </tuv>
  <tuv xml:lang="sr" creationid="n12 " creationdate="20211202T203105Z">
    <seg>Iako je na prvi pogled bio <DEMO>Englez</DEMO>, <PERS>Fileas Fog</PERS> verovatno
nije bio <DEMO>Londonac</DEMO>.</seg>
  </tuv>
</tu>
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T3. Named entity disambiguation and linking (NEL) (geolocation and other entity types) using Wikidata

NEL is based on spacyopentapioca

For example the person name <PERS>Phileas Fogg</PERS> found in the Italian sentence, and <PERS>Fileas Fog</PERS> in the Serbian sentence, would be both mapped to Wikidata Q2587533 that can be useful for many applications.

Namely, these NEs are co-indexed to refer to the same person, providing named-entity identification by referring to the ID in a common knowledge base Wikidata and using common QID= Q2587533 for the entry for Phileas Fogg on Wikidata <https://www.wikidata.org/wiki/Q2587533>.

Service provide two options:

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<tu>
  <tuv xml:lang="it" creationid="n12 " creationdate="20211202T203105Z">
    <seg><PERS ref="https://www.wikidata.org/wiki/Q2587533" desc="character created by Jules
Verne">Phileas Fogg</PERS>, <DEMO>inglese</DEMO> certamente, non era, forse,
<DEMO>londinese</DEMO>. </seg>
  </tuv>
  <tuv xml:lang="sr" creationid="n12 " creationdate="20211202T203105Z">
    <seg>lako je na prvi pogled bio <DEMO>Englez</DEMO>, <PERS
ref="https://www.wikidata.org/wiki/Q2587533" desc="character created by Jules
Fog</PERS> verovatno nije bio <DEMO>Londonac</DEMO>. </seg>
  </tuv>
</tu>
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1. NEL relies on entities that are previously annotated with NER tags, and linking is performed just on annotated segments

2. NEL is applied on input text without NER annotation, using only opentapioca annotation

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<tu>
  <tuv xml:lang="it" creationid="n12 " creationdate="20211202T203105Z">
    <seg><WDT ref="https://www.wikidata.org/wiki/Q2587533" label="PERSON" desc="character
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label="PERSON" desc="character created by Jules Verne">Fileas Fog</WDT> verovatno nije bio
Londonac.</seg>
  </tuv>
</tu>
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T4. Test corpus preparation: parallelization of 10K segments

- Corpus consists of 10000 aligned segments (sentences) from several novels.
- Novels are represented with samples in which segments are shuffled in order to avoid copyright problems.
- The novels are aligned and prepared following the previously used pipeline for parallelization (Utvić et al. 2008; Krstev and Vitas 2011).
- The corpus is published at the ILC4CLARIN B Centre, so that it will be visible via the VLO (Virtual Language Observatory) <https://vlo.clarin.eu/>.
- Corpus is also accessible from working github location <https://github.com/rankastankovic/It-Sr-NER/tree/main/corpus>

Novels:

- ❖ Umberto Eco: The Name of the Rose;
- ❖ Carlo Collodi: The Adventures of Pinocchio;
- ❖ Elena Ferrante: Those Who Leave and Those Who Stay,
- ❖ Luigi Pirandello: One, No one and One Hundred Thousand,
- ❖ Jules Verne: Around the World in Eighty Days;
- ❖ Ivo Andrić: Legends of Anika and The Bridge on the Drina,
- ❖ Borisav Stanković: Impure Blood,
- ❖ Branislav Nušić: Municipal child: a novel of an infant.

Italian (it)		Serbian (sr)
n1 Durante una vacanza a Ischia si innamora di Nino Sarratore, per il quale lascia il marito.		n1 Tokom jednog letovanja na Iskiji zaljubljuje se u Nina Saratorea, zbog koga ostavlja muža.
n2 Insieme a suo padre Fernando, e grazie a Lila e al denaro di Stefano Carracci, mette su il calzaturificio Cerullo.		n2 Zajedno sa ocem Fernandom, i zahvaljujući Lili i novcu Stefana Karačija, otvara obućarsku radnju „Čerulo“.
n3 Dopo le elementari Elena continua a studiare con crescente successo;		n3 Nakon osnovne škole Elena nastavlja da se školuje s rastućim uspehom;
n4 Lavora nella salumeria di famiglia prima, e nel negozio di scarpe poi.		n4 Isprva radi u porodičnoj delikatesnoj radnji, a zatim u obućarskoj radnji.
n5 È fidanzato con Marisa Sarratore e diventa il responsabile del negozio di scarpe di piazza dei Martiri.		n5 Verio se s Marizom Saratore i postaje odgovoran za obućarsku radnju na Trgu mučenika.

T4. Test corpus preparation: parallelization of 10K segments

Apart for download, corpus is available also for search on the digital library [Bibliša](#) for search with possibilities of morphological and semantic query expansion for Serbian.

SEARCH RESULTS

Number of concordances (it): 62		Broj konkordansi (sr): 62	
metadata	n6551 «Napoli, Firenze : non stai combinando niente da nessuna parte, Lenù».	n6551 „Napulj, Firenca , nije li isto?	
metadata	n3572 Firenze ti piace?».	n3572 Svidja li ti se Firenca ?»	
metadata	n515 Esclamai che Firenze non mi piaceva, e non era vero.	n515 Povikah da mi se Firenca ne svidja, što nije bilo istina.	
metadata	n1410 Andai a prenderlo alla stazione, lo accompagnai in via Firenze dove c'era un albergo che mi aveva consigliato mio padre e per il quale alla fine mi ero decisa.	n1410 Otišla sam po njega na stanicu, otplatila ga u Ulicu Firenca , u kojoj se nalazio hotel koji mi beše preporučio moj otac i za koji sam se naposljetku odlučila.	
metadata	n6073 Poco prima di piazza Carlo iii gli imposi di accostare, mi misi io al volante e guidai con aggressività fino a via Firenze , fino allo stesso albergo in cui s'era fermato lui anni prima.	n6073 U blizini Trga Karlo Treći naterah ga da se zaustavi, sedoh ja za volan i nastavih da vozim siledžijski sve do Ulice Firenca , u kojoj se nalazio isti onaj hotel u kome je boravio nekoliko godina ranije.	
metadata	n881 Cominciai con Firenze .	n881 Počeh od Firence .	
metadata	n4732 Con entrambi la trafila fu la stessa:	n4732 Bio je to par s dvoje male dece, ona iz Katanije, on iz Firence .	
metadata	n3961 Eravamo arrivati a ridosso di maggio ormai, la data del mio matrimonio si avvicinava, andavo e venivo da Firenze .	n3961 Bio je to već kraj aprila, datum moga venčanja se primakao, živela sam između Firence i Napulja.	
metadata	n491 Mi annunciò, ma quasi a fior di labbra, che era diventato professore di ruolo, un giovanissimo professore di ruolo con una sua cattedra a Firenze .	n491 Objavio mi je, jedva čujno, da je postao vanredni profesor, izuzetno mlad profesor sa sopstvenom katedrom u Firenci .	
metadata	n4788 Telefonai a mia madre, dissi che aspettavo un altro bambino, le chiesi se voleva venire a stare un po' a Firenze .	n4788 Pozvah majku, rekoh joj da sam opet u drugom stanju, upitah je da li bi došla da neko vreme boravi kod nas u Firenci .	

The option for [browsing](#) of aligned collections is available with a limited number of segments for all and with a larger number of segments for authorized users.

The screenshot displays the 'Bibliša: Aligned Collection Search Tool' interface. At the top, it shows the search results for 'Firenze' and 'Firenca'. Below this, there are two main panels: 'Journal Document' and 'About Document'. The 'Journal Document' panel lists documents with their titles, authors, and publication details. The 'About Document' panel provides more detailed information about the selected document, including its title, author, and a brief description. The interface is designed to facilitate the search and exploration of aligned collections.

T5. NER evaluation

Automatically annotated 1000 sentence pairs imported to the INCEPTION tool <http://inception.ierteh.rs> for manual correction

42 Era la cosa più dura che avessi letto da quando il libro era uscito , e non su un quotidiano a bassa tiratura
ma sul giornale più diffuso d' Italia .
43 Pensavo disperata : forse davvero non vale niente , forse è stato pubblicato solo per fare un favore ad
Adele .
44 Gliel' aveva dato la signora Spagnuolo al cui numero di telefono , per sua gentile concessione , poteva
ricorrere chi aveva bisogno di me per comunicazioni urgenti .
45 Festosa , un po' affannata per aver fatto le scale di corsa , disse che mi cercava di nuovo il mio fidanzato ,
era al telefono , che bella voce , che bell' accento del Nord .
46 Lui mi raccomandò di nuovo la calma e aggiunse : domani uscirà un articolo sull' Unità .

42 Bila je to najoštrija kritika koju sam pročitala od izlaska knjige , i to ne u nekim novinama malog
tiraža , već u najčitanijem dnevnom listu u čitavoj Italiji .
43 Razmišljala sam prepuštajući se očajanju : možda zaista nema nikakvu vrednost , možda je objavljena
samo kao usluga Adele .
44 Papir joj beše dala gospoda Spanjuolo , koja je ljubazno dozvolila da se njen telefon koristi u slučajevima
kada je bilo potrebno da mi se prenese neka važna poruka .
45 Vesela , pomalo zadihana jer se popela uz stepenice u žurbi , reče kako me opet traži moj verenik , sad je
na vezi , kakav divan glas ima , kakav divan severnjački naglasak .
46 On me opet zamoli da se smirim i dodade : sutra će u listu Unità izaći još jedan članak .

Visual comparison of automatic and manual annotation

Manual annotation in blue and automatic in orange

For each name entity type one HTML file per language is generated and published as [Italian set](#) and [Serbian set](#).

Sposa giovanissima Stefano Carracci e gestisce con successo prima la salumeria nel nuovo rione , poi il negozio di scarpe a piazza dei Martiri . Elena comincia a scriverla nel momento in cui apprende che la sua amica d' infanzia , Lina Cerullo , solo da lei chiamata Lila , è sparita . I brillanti studi di Elena vengono coronati dalla laurea alla Scuola Normale di Pisa , dove conosce e si fida con Pietro Airota , e dalla pubblicazione di un romanzo in cui rielabora la vita nel rione e le esperienze adolescenziali vissute a Ischia .
Enzo è stato a lungo fidanzato con Carmen Peluso , che però
senza spiegazioni al rientro dal servizio militare . È fidanzato con Gigliola , la figlia del pasticcere , ma negli anni sviluppa una morbosa ossessione per Lila . Anzi , ha smesso di occuparsi di Lila e si è concentrata solo sulla buona riuscita di Elena . Risiede a Barano d' Ischia e d' estate affitta alcune stanze della sua casa alla famiglia Saratore . Bruno Socavo , amico di Nino Saratore e figlio di un ricco industriale di San Giovanni a Teduccio . Ci ritirammo a casa di Lila , il vecchio , piccolo appartamento dei genitori nel quale ora viveva col figlio Rino . In quel periodo mi convinsi che non c' era grande differenza tra il rione e Napoli , il

blue border: entity recognized in gold annotation
orange border: entity recognized in to_eval annotation

Veoma mlada se udaje za Stefana Karačija i uspešno upravlja isprva delikatesnom radnjom u novom rejonu , a potom obućarskom radnjom na Trgu mučenika . Elena počinje da je piše kada sazna da je nestala njena prijateljica iz detinjstva . Lina Cerullo , koju samo ona zove Lila , Elena sjajne studije kruniše diplomom fakulteta u Pizi , na kome upoznaje Pietra Ajrotu , s kojim će se veriti , i objavljivanjem romana u kome opisuje život u rejonu i mladačka iskustva s letovanja na Iskiji . po povratku u rejon , zbog bede u kojoj živi , je primoran da stane u službu Mikelea Solare , koji ga u izvesnom trenutku šalje u Nemačku po dugom i misterioznom zadatku . Enzo je dugo bio veren s Karmen Peluso , koju pak ostavlja bez objašnjenja i odlazi na odsluženje vojnog roka . Verio se s Diljolom , poslastičarevom kćerkom , ali s godinama razvija bolesnu opsesiju Lilom . Štaviše , prestala je da se bavi Lilom i svu pažnju je posvetila Eleninom napretku . Ima kuću u Baranu , na Iskiji , i leti iznajmljuje nekoliko soba porodici Saratore . Bruno Sokavo , prijatelj Nina Saratore i sin bogatog industrijalca iz San Dovanija u Tedu . Povukosmo se u Lilin dom , stari mali roditeljski stan , u kome je sada živea sa sinom Rinom . Tokom tog perioda ubedih sebe da između rejona i

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> spaCy bilingual NEL (for TMX)

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> spaCy bilingual NER and Geoparsing (for TMX)

[Open](#) 



> spaCy binlingual NER and NEL (for TMX)

[Open](#) 

Summary of the project results

R1. CLARIN compatible web service for NER annotation of 1) bilingual texts tested on it-sr with 6 NE classes 2) monolingual texts with supporting documentation (open source), tested on Serbian and Italian.

R2. Corpus with 10000 aligned segments to be used for testing (open data)

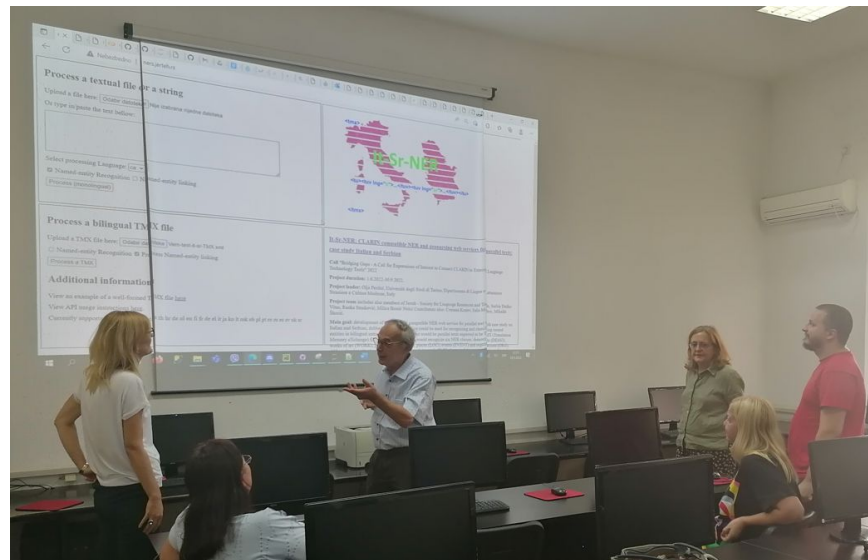
Automatically linked LOC-related entities to the corresponding pages on Wikidata, followed by an analysis of the NEL success on a validation subset of parallel sentences.

R3. NER evaluation documentation that will include manually corrected 1000 segments with metrics and visualization of differences.

We will conduct an exhaustive evaluation on a subset of the parallel sentences. These results will be published and would enable users to gain insight into the model's performance and to understand on what kind of input these models yield the best results.

Belgrade workshop

The meeting in Belgrade was held in September 2022 for final discussions, web service testing and evaluation of results. Apart from quantitative analysis, qualitative analysis was discussed and possibilities for improvement of the result of automatic annotation.



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1. Motivation and background

- funding: EU - CLARIN Bridging Gaps
- grantNo: CE-2022-2070
- Project URL: http://jerteh.rh?page_id=3257

Goid : development of the CLARIN compatible NER web service for parallel test with case study on Italian and Serbian, dubbed it Sr-NER

re-recognizing and classifying named entities in bilingual natural language texts in TMI (Transition Memory Exchange) file .g.o. S.r.t.

It-Sr-NER Recognizer also NER classes:

- demonyms (DEMO),
- works of art (WORK),
- person names (PEAS),
- places (LOC),
- events (EVENT) and
- organizations (ORG).

Service URL: <http://ners.jerteh.rh/>

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4. TMX management and bilingual NER services publishing

NEL online on previously announced via TMX tool and looking is performed just on annotated segments

NEL is applied on input text without NER annotation, using only cooccurrence innovation

Manual evaluation

5. Workshop and dissemination

Prof Dubio Vitez presenting at Bilingual workshop

Torino conference

6. Discussion and conclusion

iPOS tagging and lemmatization of TMX format enabling CGL bilingual queries over NER 2022060308703 (https://naska.jerteh.rs)

Toxometry using TMX tool for the analysis of entities on both sides (It-Sr)

The bilingual corpus augmentation

Further research of new technologies for NER and NEL (training of a new model for Serbian that would include augmented set and gazetteers).

Studies are taken on in University of Belgrade and Serbian in Torino, will benefit and use developed resources in future building.

Results are open and available for other students and researchers as well.

Parallel corpora can support in translation studies and constructive linguistic and easy-to-use corpora considerably facilitates the study of linguistic phenomena.

Parallel corpora could be produced; automatically generated texts where sentences can have a form level on the right make a generalization across sentences.

Also, the use of multiple translations will enlarge the integrative process and perspectives that students draw from the task.

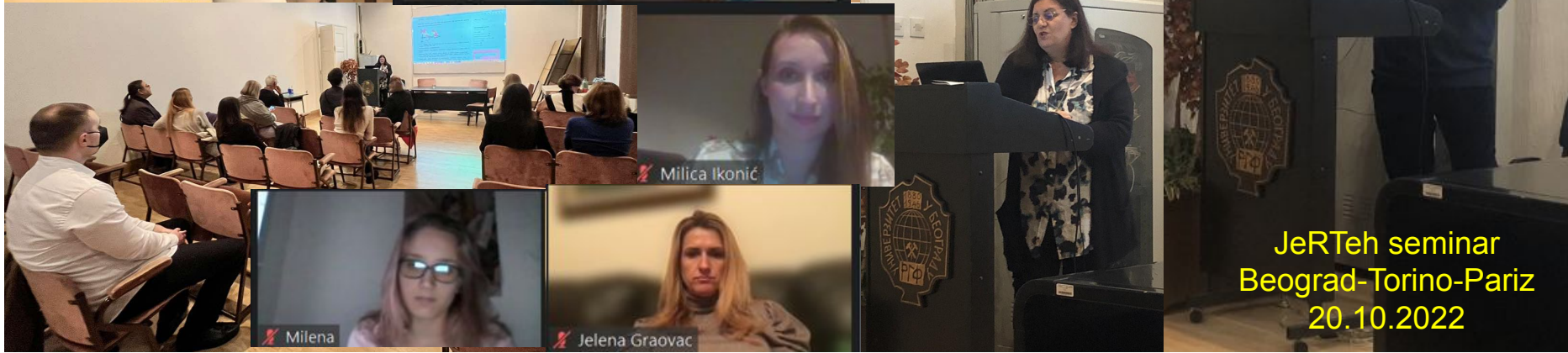
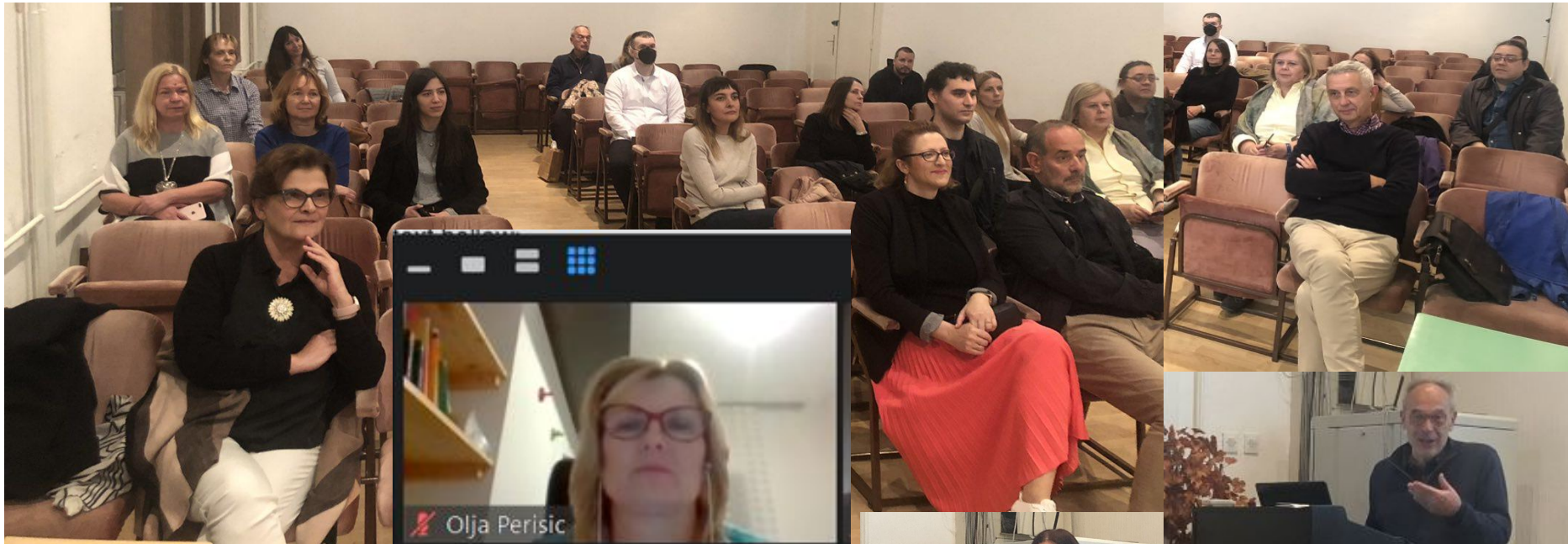
3. Dataset

10000 aligned sentences from following novels:

- Crisostomo: The Name of the Rose,
- Cero Galati: The Adventures of Pinocchio,
- Bene Fante: Those Who Leave and Those Who Stay,
- Lupi Franciosi: One, No one and One Hundred Thousand,
- Vite Jeme: Across the World in Eighty Days,
- Alto Andrei: Legend of Anika and The Bridge on the Dring,
- Bošnja Braniković: Impure Blood,
- Branislav, Nubić: Muzičko čitalo a novel of an infant,

Discussion and future plans

- POS tagging and lemmatisation of TMX format enabling CQL bilingual queries over NER annotated text: the corpus will be published on <https://noske.jerteh.rs/> .
- Textometry using TXM tool will be used for the analysis of entities on both sides (it-sr).
- The bilingual corpus augmentation (set of novels are already collected for preparation and alignment).
- Further research will explore new technologies for NER and NEL: training of a new model for Serbian that would include training set augmentation and use of gazettiers.
- The students of Italian in University of Belgrade as well as students of Serbian in Torino, will benefit and use developed resources in future teaching.
 - Results are open and so available for other students and researchers as well.
 - Parallel corpora are central to translation studies and contrastive linguistics and easy-to-use concordancers considerably facilitates the study of interlinguistic phenomena.
 - New types of exercises could be produced: automatically generated tests where sentences can have a lemma form so that they make a grammatically correct sentence.
 - Also, the analysis of multiple translations will enlarge the interpretive process and perspectives that students draw from the text. The parallel corpus will
- The team will look for possibilities for the new projects and frameworks to cooperate.



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