

Digital Humanities and Archives

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Heldig Kick-off Symposium



In brief

- Already done
- In development



Already done

- Open data
 - Casualties during the Finnish wars 1939–1945,
 Prisoner-of-war deaths and people handed over in Finland 1939–1955, Casualties during the Finnish wars 1939–1945



- In collaboration with Aalto university (SeCo)
- RDF format
- Archival metadata
 - Through Finna Api





Already done

- Sotasampo (War Sampo)
 - Part of it is based on our open data (casualties)
 - Helps us all to understand what could be possible!

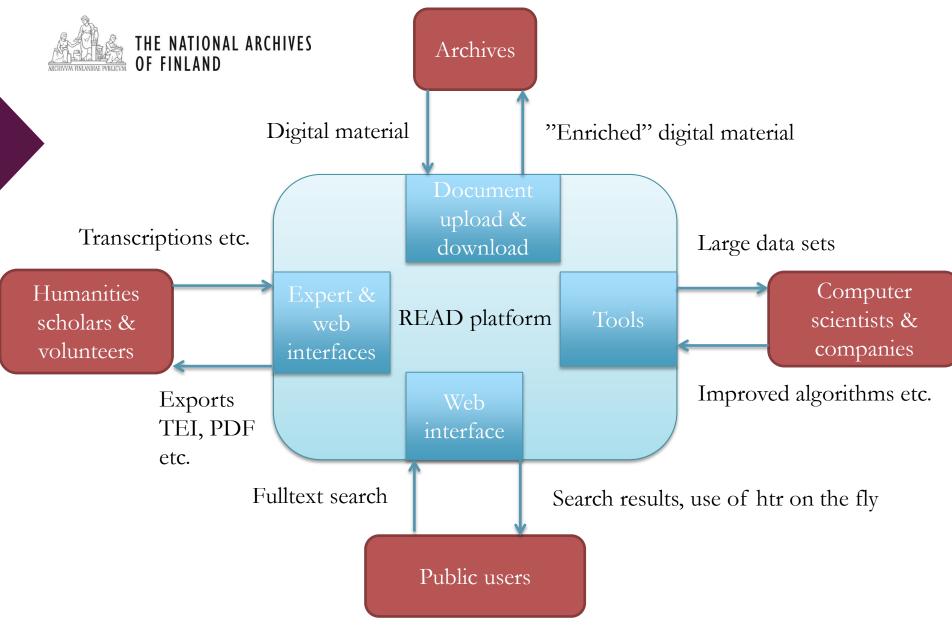




In development

- READ project
 - Aims to revolutionaze access to digital handwritten (archival) material
 - In co-operation with computer scientists, humanitites scholars, archives and public users

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Read & possibilities?

- Better services fulltext search, tools
- We will be able to extract text
 - Extract different kind of name entities (place names, actors etc.)
 - And generate links or concepts to existing ontologies
 - Build services, visualizations etc.
- Opens up new possibilities and ideas



To sum up

- What really matters is the open data
- Neither Sotasampo, Finna, READ etc. would/will be successful if we haven't got (good quality) open data!