

# **COMPARED** project

# Closing meeting

04 December 2019

#### Minutes

## **Participants**

NKFIH; FECYT; Science Europe; ERCEA; DG RTD; DG JRC.

Aim of the meeting: demonstration of the platform and the new features, discussion on next steps

#### Comments

- General positive comments on the tool and its usability
- Marginality of the translation issue since the main language used for submission is English.
  Suggestion to explore <u>eTranslation</u>
- General agreement on the readiness of the tool to be tested by real evaluators to get feedback
- Compliance aspect of the GUI to the EC standards
- Possible synergies with RTD project involving Member States on R&D funding data collection
  project on text extraction using 'max document frequency' (max\_df) > meeting to be organised

## Similarity detection

- Possible use of a dictionary of synonyms
- Investigate other methods of detecting similarity neural networks, Google Word2Vec and in general already existing code
- Possibility to index the full text of project reports or to show at least the link of matched projects reports

## <u>Database</u>

- Possibility for funding agencies/end-users to add their own database to use as corpus of reference without sharing obligations due to privacy/security concerns
- To add metadata for the similar projects found in the database (budget, beneficiaries etc..) to help understanding the context
- Adding open source data
- Use links and DOI for Patstat and Scopus, instead of indexing them

## <u>Users</u>

- Identified potential users: the reviewers of funding agencies in MS and of H2020; Project Officers who relies on evaluators and might want to assign tasks to them
- Potential opening of the tool to applicants in the future, pro and cons to be considered

## **Next Steps:**

- To get in contact with the funding agencies for the testing phase
- To understand in which step of their workflow the tool can be used
- To scale it up to MS:
  - o European Research Area and Innovation Committee (ERAC)
  - o **OECD STIP**



- Preparing material for the tool presentation to funding agencies: Slides presentation /infographic or short video tutorial to accompany the tool + list of questions to ask for feedback
  - o Ideal timing for the presentation should be January/February
  - o Explore the possibility to open the access to the tool without asking the IP range