

IRCOM, Consortium for spoken and multimodal corpora of Corpus-IR

IRCOM is a Consortium of the CORPUS-IR research infrastructure established by the Ministry of Humanities and Social Sciences. It is housed administratively by the Typology and Universals Linguistics Federation.

The IRCOM Consortium has a Governing Board and a Scientific Board. The Governing Board's responsibilities are to conceive, implement and manage the Consortium's activities. The Scientific Board advises the Governing Board and participates in the development of actions within the framework of the principal tasks of the Consortium, which are:

To organise and accompany the development of spoken and multimodal corpora in linguistics by helping researchers to acquire mastery of necessary tools and to develop common standards of reference:

To develop the promotion, the visibility and accessibility to existing collections;

To improve availability, pooling and software interoperability with the goal of integrating international networks (in particular ERIC-CLARIN);

To integrate the community of producers and users of spoken and multimodal corpora to its networking and discussions.

All researchers working in CNRS laboratories or University teams in France, on spoken or multimodal corpora, can belong to the Consortium. There is no formal procedure for membership in the Consortium which evolves and is defined by the participation of its members.

A website is currently under construction. In the meantime, the Typology and Universals Linguistics Federation's website [<http://www.typologie.cnrs.fr/spip.php?rubrique5>], will house the information and connection addresses for the scientific community.

If you wish to be informed or would like to interact with other members of the community of researchers concerned with spoken and multimodal corpora, you can subscribe to IRCOM's mailing list : sympa@cru.fr