

## GERMANET DATA ACADEMIC RESEARCH LICENSE AGREEMENT

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**and**

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represented by Prof. Dr. Erhard W. Hinrichs, Director,

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**the following Agreement is made, and shall be effective as of**

**Date:** \_\_\_\_\_  
(Month, Day, Year)

# LICENSE CONDITIONS

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- a. "Agreement" shall mean this entire Agreement, which is composed of the 19 clauses herein together with APPENDIX A and APPENDIX B thereafter.
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## **MODIFICATION OF LICENSE**

18. This LICENSE can only be modified by further formal Agreement in writing between LICENSOR and LICENSEE.

## **DISPUTES**

19. This LICENSE shall be governed by German Law. Place of jurisdiction is Tübingen.

The entire Agreement is composed of the 19 clauses herein together with Appendix A and Appendix B thereafter.

In witness whereof, intending to be bound, the parties here to have hereunder set their hands and executed this LICENSE by their duly authorized representatives:

AUTHORIZED SIGNATURES:

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On behalf of **LICENSEE**

Name:

Title:

Date:

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On behalf of **LICENSOR**

Name: Erhard W. Hinrichs

Title: Professor and Director

Date:

## APPENDIX A: GERMANET DATA DESCRIPTION:

GermaNet is an online lexical-semantic database for German that has been structured along the same lines as the Princeton WordNet for English. It models nouns, verbs, and adjectives in their basic semantic relations like hyponymy, meronymy, and antonymy, and constitutes a basic resource for word sense disambiguation within NLP applications.

The development of the GermaNet resource has been directed by Prof. Erhard Hinrichs and has been supported by research grants awarded to Prof. Hinrichs by the Ministerium für Wissenschaft und Kunst Baden-Württemberg (MWK), the Bundesministerium für Bildung und Forschung (BMBF), the Deutsche Forschungsgemeinschaft (DFG), and the European Commission. The following researchers and research assistants (listed in alphabetic order) have contributed to the construction of GermaNet and accompanying software:

Reinhild Barkey, Agnia Barsukova, Valérie Béchet-Tsarnos, Anne Brock, Ben Campbell, Julia Chant, Alexandr Chernov, Edo Collins, Bettina Demmer, Valentin Deyringer, Helmut Feldweg, Patricia Fischer, Clemens Frey, Sabrina Galasso, Piklu Gupta, Annabell Grasse, Luca Haeselbarth, Marina Haid, Birgit Hamp, Alexander Hartmann, Verena Henrich, Marie Hinrichs, Michael Hipp, Christina Hoppermann, Lars Horber, Julia Koch, Silke Kugler, Claudia Kunze, Anja Laske, Alina Leippert, Lothar Lemnitzer, Andrea Lorenz, Karin Naumann, Till Pachalli, Katrin Petodnig, Wei Qiu, Eyal Schejter, Niko Schenk, Susanne Schüle, Sarah Schulz, Daniil Sorokin, Rosemary Stegmann, Daniela Stelle, Daniela Stier, Yana Strakatova, Steffen Tacke, Christine Thielen, Tatiana Vodolazova, Andreas Wagner, Johannes Wahle, Zarah-Leonie Weiss, Neele Witte, Martin Wolf and Holger Wunsch.

GermaNet is still under development, and its coverage is constantly being extended. The current size of the version 15.0 database is:

144113	Synsets
185000	Lexical units
169521	Literals
1.28	Lexical units per synset
157921	Number of conceptual relations
12203	Number of lexical relations (synonymy excluded)
98905	Number of split compounds

## APPENDIX B: CITING GERMANET AND ASSOCIATED RESOURCES:

To refer to the **GermaNet resource** in publications cite **both** of the following two papers:

Hamp, Birgit and Helmut Feldweg. "GermaNet - a Lexical-Semantic Net for German." *Proceedings of the ACL workshop Automatic Information Extraction and Building of Lexical Semantic Resources for NLP Applications*. Madrid, 1997.

Henrich, Verena and Erhard Hinrichs. "GernEdiT - The GermaNet Editing Tool". *Proceedings of the Seventh Conference on International Language Resources and Evaluation (LREC 2010)*. Valletta, Malta, May 2010, pp. 2228-2235.

To refer to the **nominal compounds** included in GermaNet in publications cite the following paper:

Henrich, Verena and Erhard Hinrichs. "Determining Immediate Constituents of Compounds in GermaNet." *Proceedings of Recent Advances in Natural Language Processing (RANLP 2011)*. Hissar, Bulgaria, Sept 2011, pp 420-426.

Citation instructions and GermaNet publications can be found on the webpage:

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