NIST 2013 Open Handwriting Recognition and Translation (OpenHaRT) Evaluation Agreement

In the remainder of this document the term User refers to _______________________ of __________________________________ and the term User's Research Group refers to _______________________________________________________________________.

User agrees, on behalf of User’s Research Group, to receive media (CD-ROM, DVD, hard drive, web download, etc.) containing images, speech and/or text data from the Linguistic Data Consortium (LDC) named below under “Corpora/Data Received” and to use the material received under this agreement (the “Data”) only for purposes of the NIST 2013 Open Handwriting Recognition and Translation (OpenHaRT) Evaluation. User and User’s Research Group may include limited excerpts from the Data in articles, reports and other documents describing the results of work performed in the 2013 OpenHaRT Evaluation. User further agrees not to otherwise publish, retransmit, disclose, display, copy, reproduce or redistribute the Data to others outside of User’s Research Group.

If User is a member of the LDC, User may retain the Data. If User is not a member of the LDC, User shall return the Data to the LDC as follows: (1) If User fails to submit evaluation results by the date established for such results in the 2013 OpenHaRT Evaluation, User agrees to delete the Data from any computer or media onto which it has been copied and to return all media to the LDC on or before May 30, 2013; and (2) If User fulfills all requirements of the 2013 OpenHaRT Evaluation, User agrees to delete the Data from any computer or media onto which it has been copied and to return all media to the LDC on or before December 30, 2013.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, if User fulfills all requirements of the 2013 OpenHaRT Evaluation, User may keep the Data if (1) there is a follow-on NIST evaluation and User has signed an agreement on behalf of User’s Research group to participate in that evaluation; (2) User executes on behalf of User’s Research group a subsequent LDC license that covers the Data; or (3) LDC extends the return date for the Data.

All Data is provided “as is” and neither the Linguistic Data Consortium nor the University of Pennsylvania warrants the accuracy, completeness, currentness, merchantability or fitness for a particular purpose of the Data. In no event will the Linguistic Data Consortium or the University of Pennsylvania be liable for any loss or injury caused in whole or in part by its negligence or contingencies beyond its control in procuring, compiling, interpreting, editing, writing, reporting or delivering the Data, or for any errors, omissions or inaccuracies in the Data, regardless of how caused. In no event will the Linguistic Data Consortium or the University of Pennsylvania be liable to User, User’s Research Group, or to any other individual or organization for any decision made or action taken in reliance upon any part of the Data or for any consequential, direct, special or similar damages, even if advised of the possibility of such damages.

User shall send a signed copy of this agreement by facsimile to the LDC, Attention: Ilya Ahtaridis, fax number 215-573-2175. Alternatively, User shall e-mail an electronic version of the signed agreement to the LDC at ldc@ldc.upenn.edu.

Corpora/Data Received:

LDC2010E15  MADCAT Phase 1 Training – Complete
LDC2008E52  MADCAT Phase 1 Pilot Evaluation
LDC2010E17  MADCAT Phase 2 Training – Complete
LDC2011E97  MADCAT Phase 3 Training - Complete
LDC2012E52  MADCAT Phase 2 Evaluation Set
LDC2012E53  MADCAT Phase 3 Evaluation Set

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For LDC:

Christopher Cieri
Executive Director