

## unified access to european social science data archives

The Madiera project (Multilingual Access to Data Infrastructures of the European Research Area) is funded by the European Commission under the Fifth Framework programme. The overall goal is to develop an effective infrastructure for the European social science community.

The project has provided a portal for the majority of the existing 20+ social science data archives in Europe. One of the main objectives of the project is to create a sustainable system, nurtured by the collective energy of the data and knowledge producing communities of the European Research Area.

## multilingual access

Based on thesaurus technology, data can be searched for in nine different languages

## the madiera portal - a european virtual library

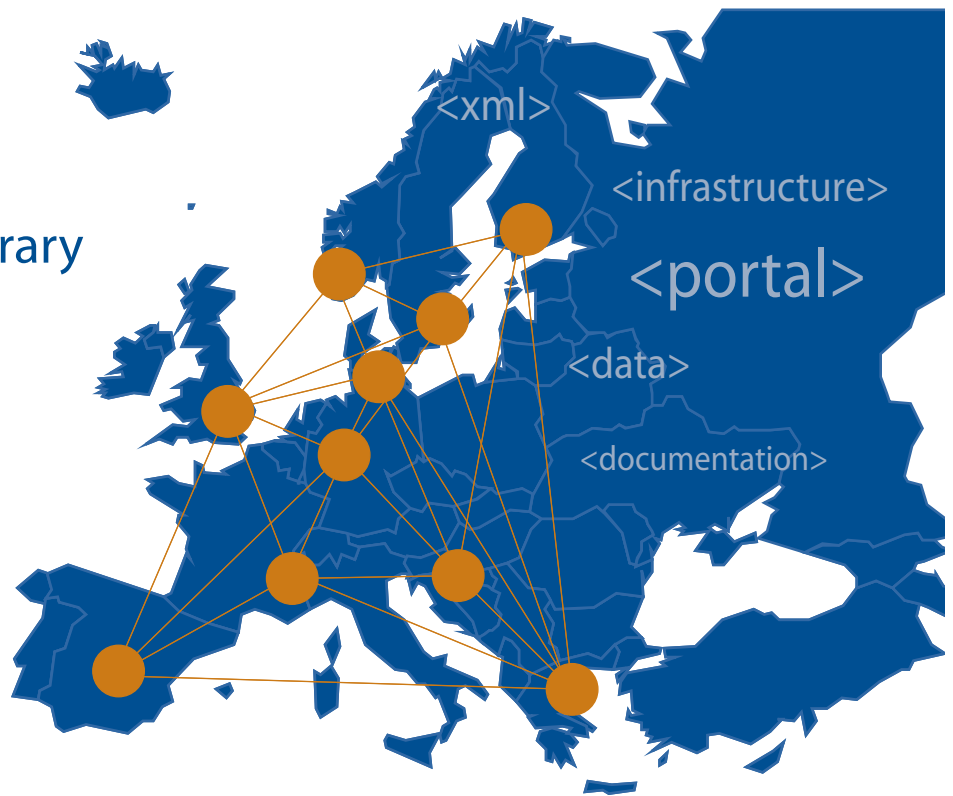
The purpose of the project is to develop and build a European-wide virtual social science data library

## search, browse, analyse, download

Search for data  
Browse the documentation  
Analyse datasets online  
Download datasets

## the madiera portal - building-blocks

a metadata standard (DDI)  
a technological platform (Nesstar)  
a multilingual thesaurus (ELSST)  
a classification system  
a georeferencing system  
a methodology for comparable data  
a system for linking data and knowledge products



## linking european data resources