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A Global Infrastructure for a Global Philology

The Global Philology Project, funded by the BMBF, and the Special Interest Groups on Graeco-Roman antiquity on Pelagios Commons, are offering a workshop to make the point about existing infrastructures and needs in the field of Named Entities Data.

We use "Named Entities" in a larger sense than usual, not just in terms of simple "proper names", but as real expressions of cultural/cognitive patterns in the representation of geospatial and social information as they appear in premodern sources. The discussion will include spatial descriptions as community knowledge, graphic representations of the world, prosopographies, social networks, movements of people across time and space, classification and relations of toponyms and personal names. We will focus on several language domains, including Ancient Greek and Latin, Arabic, Chinese, Syriac and Hebrew.

Our aim is to make the point about what has been done in this field and to discuss common issues and opportunities of developing an infrastructure that is shared across historical languages.