

LéXPLORE

Application form to submit a project on LÉXPLORE platform

1. Name, function and affiliation of the applicants:
 - 1.1 Principal investigator
 - 1.2 Collaborators
 - 1.3 Email of contact
2. Name of the project:
3. Summary of the proposal (max 1000 characters)
4. Duration and timeline of the project on LÉXPLORE
5. Technical specifications:
 - 5.1 Instruments/systems to be installed on the platform or moored in the protected area:
 - 5.1.1 Describe your instruments/systems
 - 5.1.2 Specify any technical constraints (mooring, power, ...)
 - 5.1.3 Is your instrument sensitive to damage in wave actions? Is your instrument weatherproof?
 - 5.1.4 How and where do you expect to install your equipment? A simple drawing of the set-up will be helpful.
 - 5.1.5 How often do you need to maintain your instrument?
 - 5.2 Sampling or profiling to be conducted on the platform: what do you plan to do?
 - 5.3 How often do you plan to visit the platform?
 - 5.4 Who will be responsible for the installed equipment?
 - 5.5 Is there any potential safety hazard (chemical, gas, mechanical, optical)?
 - 5.6 What are your power requirements?
 - 5.7 Do you require using any chemicals or compressed gas?
6. Data:
 - 6.1. What data will be produced (type, units, frequency) and how do you plan to handle and manage data storage and QA/QC?
 - 6.2 Our data policy is open data. Do you agree with it? When will your data become publically available?
 - 6.3 Is there a need for additional data that are monitored on the platform?

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7. Considered collaborations within LéXPLORE.

8. Project funding

8.1 If you are not part of the partner institutions, please note that the use of the LéXPLORE platform induces a contribution to its maintenance costs. Are you ready to cover the daily fees?

8.2 What is the source of funding for your project?

9. Date of the application

To submit your project, please send your completed form to natacha.tofield-pasche@epfl.ch and guillaume.cunillera@epfl.ch

Information for the website:

If your project is validated, we will describe your project on <https://lexplore.info/current-projects/>

For this, you will need to provide:

- a summary of your project with max 500 characters,
- an image representing your project (width = 2560 px, and height = 1920 px, min 150 dpi),
- a picture of each of your collaborators (200 x 200 px, min 150 dpi) with their name and function.

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General Conditions for a project on LéXPLORE

1. Access to the core dataset

The Steering Committee commits to provide a core dataset with background information during the entire LéXPLORE lifetime. You can download these data through the DATALAKES web portal.

2. Data sharing Policy

Sciences is moving quickly towards open data. We therefore expect that:

- all research data collected on LéXPLORE become openly available as soon as possible, but latest 3 years after data collection.
- you share your data with other researchers, by transferring them on the DATALAKES web portal.
- you deposit your data and metadata onto existing public repositories in formats that anyone can find, access and reuse without restriction.

3. Scientific Publications

All Academic Publications (reports, scientific paper, poster, oral conference, ...) have to be sent to the LéXPLORE Project Manager at the time of its submission to trace them. The Steering Committee will check the publications to ensure that data and colleagues scientists are appropriately acknowledged. We strongly recommend citing the data, using the DOI from the DATALAKES webportal. If necessary, the Steering Committee may require adaptations in the publication during the review process.

4. Acknowledgments in your publication

In your publication, you will add the following acknowledgment: *“We would like to thank the entire team from LéXPLORE platform, for their administrative and technical support and for LéXPLORE core dataset. We also acknowledge LéXPLORE five partner institutions: Eawag, EPFL, University of Geneva, University of Lausanne and CARRTEL (INRAE-USMB).”*

5. Communication

You accept to provide the necessary information and images to present your project on LéXPLORE website. You will provide an annual report (one page) by end of May each year, in order to present the results and achievements of your project.

With my signature, I agree to respect the above-stated general conditions:

Date:

Name:

Signature: