



Cornell University Library

Cornell University Library joins the Kluge Digital Resource (KDR) project as a founder member. The KDR is a sustainable service for the academic community managed on behalf of the Alexander Kluge Foundation by the Data Futures project. Cornell library patrons will gain access to texts and research materials, out-of-print books and more than 3,000 films and videos produced throughout Alexander Kluge's exceptional career.

The Alexander Kluge Foundation and Data Futures welcome Cornell University Library and, together with plans to further expand the resource with new acquisitions and partners, this development confirms the KDR as the comprehensive international reference for the emerging field of Kluge Studies.

One of the leading academic research libraries in the United States, Cornell University Library promotes a culture of broad inquiry with its world-class holdings, expert staff, and cutting-edge services. The Library's collections encompass centuries-old rare manuscripts as well as comprehensive electronic and more than 8 million print volumes supporting the full range of scholarly endeavor. Connections with partner institutions around the world widen access to specialized material, facilitate international research and learning opportunities, and fuel the pace of innovation. The Library's commitment to the production, dissemination, and preservation of knowledge drives it to the forefront of digital scholarship and open-access advocacy. Librarians' expertise in innovative tools and technology equips students to succeed in a digital society, and enhances all facets of teaching and learning at Cornell, an Ivy League university with an enrollment of nearly 22,000 students, founded in 1865.

The Data Futures project is a consortium of institutions and publishers including Aix-Marseille, Basel, Heidelberg, Lyon, Princeton universities and Merve Verlag. It is based in the Institute for Modern and Contemporary Culture at the University of Westminster, London. Established at the beginning of 2012 to focus on factors affecting long-term accessibility of research data, and in particular on the growing recognition of the need to capture broader research investment than is possible using 'core' metadata standards, the project comprises a multi-disciplinary team of software engineers and subject-based theorists. Data Futures freizo migration platform enables digital collections to be made portable and re-delivered using contemporary technologies instead of accreting maintenance liabilities and ultimately risking loss as funding priorities change and institutions mutate. Data Futures services to third parties include assessment of digital collection vulnerabilities and change management to address the wider horizon of institutional logic that affects long-term sustainability.

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