DHSS HUB NEWSLETTER

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DHSS Hub - Digital Humanities and Social Sciences Hub

The Launch Event of the DHSS Hub

On March 13 we officially launched the DHSS Hub of the Open University, the center for Digital Humanities and Social Science.

The Vision of the Hub, said Daphna Kenig (the head of the Hub), is to "establish a community, to develop a specialty in digital tools and make them more accessible".

Three brilliant lectures followed, showcasing works in the field by Israeli researchers, on Hebrew literature, History of national web domains, and on Interdisciplinary innovations (Watch on Youtube)

A Virtual Reality and video art exhibition by the artist Loukia Alvanou was the crown of the event, and the artist was also interviewed by Dr. Hava Aldouby.

New AI by Meta Identifies More Than 1000 Languages

Meta's new AI transcribes audio and video files with half the word error rate in comparison to its leading alternative, OpenAI's Whisper.

The implications for the social sciences and the humanities are, for example, the ability to research big data in a variety of languages, as well as an increased accuracy in the transcription of recorded speech.

If your research includes recorded interviews, audio files or video files, this AI tool is about to save you hours upon hours of work.
For further reading...

For assistance, you are welcomed to contact us.

Coming Soon in the Digital Hub

"The Gate Keeper": a New Exhibition by the artist Tom Porat weaves together virtual and physical spaces. Opening on July 4, at the Columns Gallery.

The DHSS Summer School: our first summer school with hands-on workshops will take place between the 4-6th of July, focusing on tools for image analysis.