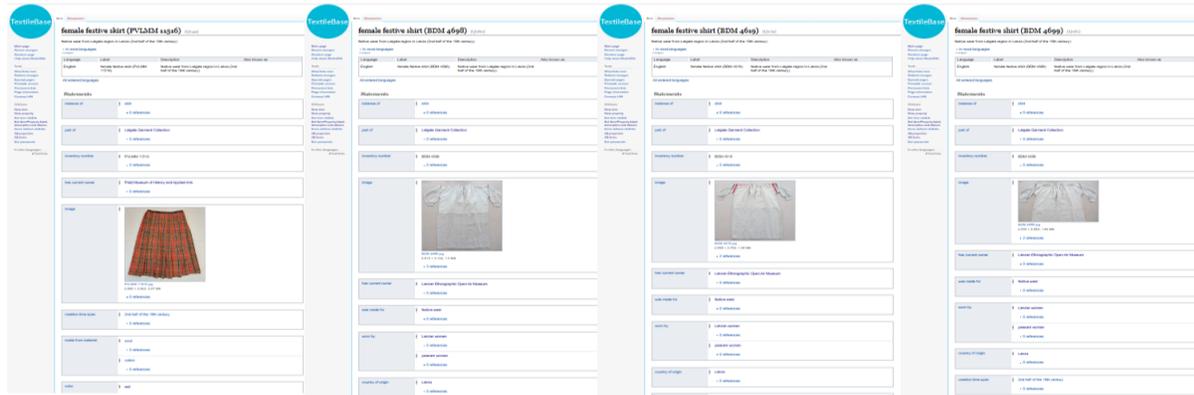# TextileBase Offering

TextileBase-offer

`TextileBase` is a platform to **collect, connect, and share research and metadata on historical clothing**. It links artefacts, photographs, secondary sources, and institutional records into a multilingual, interoperable, and searchable knowledge graph.

Before subscribing, you may want to learn more about the project itself:

TextileBase overview ▶ TextileBase main page ▶ TextileBase methodology preprint

▶ TextileBase technical specifications ▶ TextileBase seminar (with slides)

TextileBase Subscription Offering

`TextileBase` is built to deliver **maximum impact with minimal barriers**:

- **Open-source foundation** — no vendor lock-in, no costly software licenses.
- **Lightweight infrastructure** — no need for expensive servers or IT staff; runs smoothly for small NGOs or research groups on basic laptops (Windows, MacOS, Linux).
- **Low learning curve** — user-friendly, widely known interfaces designed for curators, researchers, and small businesses.
- **Immediate impact** — records and datasets can be cited, shared, and reused from day one.
- **Future-proof** — fully aligned with FAIR/8-star principles, Europeana/ECCCH integration, and EU Digital Product Passport requirements.
- **Grant- and impact-ready** — ideal for digitisation, innovation, and sustainability-focused R&I grants; a proven entry point for grant proposals and impact investments.

- **Equitable access** — smaller institutions, NGOs, and those in **low innovation intensity countries** benefit from EU *widening participation advantages*. TextileBase maximises their grant success chances while keeping costs manageable.

Subscription Packages

1. Starter / Base – *Grant-Ready*

For research groups preparing grant applications or seeking their first FAIR-compliant infrastructure.

- Core access (knowledge graph, Wikibase instance)
- **2 medium-sized datasets included** (two tabular, two multimodal or one of each) → already worth **€3,000–5,000 ad hoc**
- PID minting: permanent identifiers (URI, DOI, ISCC) for datasets & surrogates
- Data paper / annex exports
- Database dumps (SQLite, RDF)
- Data Management Plan guidance & ready-to-insert grant proposals
- Grant templates for FAIR 5-star (expected) / 8-star (excellent) impact plans
- Light AI tools (multilingual search, place-name resolution)
- Co-branding as infrastructure partner
- Email support

> 💡 Tip
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> 💡 *Purpose: strengthen publications, proposals, and early outputs — at less than the cost of buying datasets ad hoc, plus all the infrastructure and visibility benefits on top.*

Pricing:

- Nominal: **€3,000/year**
- Discounted: **€1,500–2,500/year** (for small departments or low-innovation-intensity countries)

2. Standard – *Collection Connect*

For small museums, rural collections, and active researchers managing existing data.

- Everything in Starter +
- Import & curation of 5 datasets (up to 20,000 records)
- DOIs, ISCCs, URIs minted
- AI-assisted tools (entity matching, synonyms, spelling variants)
- Export to Europeana, Zenodo, ECCCH, EU Open Data Portal
- Quarterly data quality & interoperability review
- One online or offline staff workshop
- RDF hosting, SPARQL endpoint, Sampo UI, hosted web section
- Co-branding as infrastructure partner
- Email & video support

> 💡 Tip
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> 💡 *Purpose: connect dispersed data, comply with EU and national funders, gain visibility — price-sensitive but high-value.*

Pricing:

- Nominal: **€12,000/year**, can be pre-paid from grants, too.
- Discounted: **€7,500–10,000/year** (for small collections, NGOs, or widening countries)

3. Premium – *Project Hub*

For large funded projects (e.g. Horizon Europe, national grants, consortia).

- Everything in Standard +
- Unlimited datasets & records
- Advanced AI tools: image/text metadata extraction, similarity search, "possible matches" alerts
- Custom thesaurus/ontology building
- Extended RDF hosting, SPARQL endpoint, Sampo UI
- Dedicated support line & priority service
- Annual onsite or hybrid workshop
- Full FAIR/8-star RDM package (with reporting & repository integration)

- Co-branding as infrastructure partner

> 💡 Tip
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> 💡 *Purpose: for projects with €20,000–100,000 annual infra budgets. TextileBase acts as **semantic data management partner**, delivering RDM, automation, dissemination, APIs, visualisations, and long-term exploitation.*

Pricing:

- Nominal: **€50,000+/year** (negotiable depending on scope, usually grant-based participation)
- Discounted: **€20,000+/year** (for widening countries or resource-constrained consortia, potentially used for cascading grants)

Business Offering: Digital Passports for Sustainable Clothing

What it is

A TextileBase **Digital Passport** is a smart profile for each clothing item, showing:

- **Lifecycle**: materials, place of origin, production method
- **Ecological impact**: reuse, repairability, carbon footprint (optional)
- **Social & heritage value**: connections to traditional garments, communities, or recreation projects
- **Permanent ID**: DOI or ISCC identifier; embeddable QR code for labels and webshop
- **Trust & transparency**: customers can verify authenticity, sustainability, and cultural inspiration

> 💡 Tip
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> **Why it matters?**
> - **Transparency**: meet EU sustainability requirements (Digital Product Passports). - **Trust**: customers see verified ecological and heritage data. - **Storytelling**: link designs to cultural heritage ("this blouse echoes a 19th-century Seto shirt"). - **Longevity**: garments documented in a citable system beyond a single season.

Pricing

- **Per-passport**: €25–50 per garment entry
- **Annual subscription**: €2,500–5,000 (unlimited passports + webshop integration)
- **Optional add-on**: sustainability calculator & lifecycle reporting

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Grantwriting Support

1. Participation in Grantwriting – *Free*

(included for all subscribers when TextileBase is a partner)

- Research Data Management plans (FAIR/8-star) ready for insertion
- Dissemination & exploitation templates tailored to the grant
- Infrastructure integration plan (TextileBase as partner)
- KPI mapping (academic, policy, commercial dissemination to target groups, reuse monitoring)

2. Strategic Grantwriting – *Extra Fee*

(fee may be reduced or waived for Standard subscribers)

- Scouting of suitable calls (EU/national)
- Partner matchmaking & consortium building
- Proposal narrative shaping (data, impact, sustainability)
- Management of the grantwriting process
- Optional: exploitation package design (industry & creative links)

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Ad-Hoc FAIR Data Management Services

Not every project needs a full subscription. Sometimes you just need to **rescue a dataset** and make it FAIR, citable, and publishable. `TextileBase` offers ad-hoc processing services that transform messy research materials into high-quality datasets with data papers and DOIs.

Tabular Data Processing

For researchers with Excel or CSV files that need FAIRification.

- **Input**: messy tables with inconsistent or incomplete metadata

- **Processing**: model fitting, property inference, transparent documentation of gaps

- **Output**:
    - FAIR-compliant dataset (CSV, RDF/Turtle, N-Triples, XML)
    - Machine-generated data paper (PDF with DOI)
    - Dataset registered with DOI
    - Added to TextileBase and our Zenodo community for long-term visibility and reuse

💡 *Example: a conference dataset or annex turned into a citable research output.*

Pricing (by dataset size):
- Small (≤1,000 records, ≤20 properties): **€750–1,200**
- Medium (≤5,000 records, ≤40 properties): **€1,500–2,500**
- Large (>5,000 records or highly complex properties): **custom quote**

Image & Document Processing

For researchers, museums, or archives with folders of scans, photos, or secondary sources.

- **Input**: digitised or raw images of garments, archival records, photographs
- **Processing**: metadata extraction, linking to vocabularies (places, types, institutions), surrogate record creation
- **Output**:
    - FAIR-compliant multimodal dataset (metadata + images)
    - Images uploaded to FigShare with individual DOIs for academic reuse
    - Machine-generated data paper (PDF with DOI)

- o Dataset registered with DOI
- o Added to TextileBase (Zenodo) and FigShare communities for long-term reuse and citation

💡 *Example: documenting a small photo collection or archival scans for academic reuse.*

Pricing (by number of image resources):
- Small (≤50 images): **€750–1,200**
- Medium (≤250 images): **€1,500–2,500**
- Large (>250 images or mixed/complex media): **custom quote**

Dataset Template Design

For researchers or projects starting a new collection and wanting to avoid messy data later.

- **Input**: research scope, expected entities (garments, photos, documents), and metadata needs.
- **Processing**:
  - o Mapping your research goals to TextileBase's ontology (CIDOC-CRM, RiC, DCTERMS).
  - o Defining core properties, controlled vocabularies, and identifiers.
  - o Building a **ready-to-use Excel/CSV template** (with drop-downs and property explanations).
  - o Optional: example records filled in as a guide.

- **Output**:
  - o Clean data collection template (Excel/CSV)
  - o Documentation on each property and controlled vocabulary
  - o Optionally registered as a "living dataset" in TextileBase, Zenodo, or FigShare (with DOI) so you can update and extend it during your project

💡 *Typical use case: a PhD student, small museum, or research group launching a project and wanting reusable data without rework later.*

Pricing (by template complexity):
- Small (≤20 properties, simple entity): **€500–800**
- Medium (≤40 properties, multiple entities): **€1,200–1,800**
- Large (>40 properties or custom ontologies): **custom quote**

👉 *Note: All prices follow our **Equity in Pricing** principle (see below). Ranges reflect dataset complexity, especially missing, imputed, or inferred values, and number of properties. Ad-hoc services are discounted for subscribers: the Starter package includes **1 small dataset**, Standard up to **5 datasets**.*

Why Subscription Is Better

Ad-hoc services are useful, but **subscriptions give far more value at a lower effective cost**:

- **Starter package** includes **2 medium datasets** (worth €3,000–5,000 ad hoc) — already covering the subscription fee.
- **Standard package** includes **up to 5 datasets**, plus full curation and export pipelines.
- **Premium package** includes **unlimited datasets** with advanced AI tools and full RDM support.

👉 Even the **Starter subscription is cheaper than buying datasets one by one** — and comes with all the extras: TextileBase infrastructure, permanent identifiers, AI tools, grant-ready templates, and visibility in Europeana/ECCCH.

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Equity in Pricing

TextileBase recognises that **funding environments differ**:

- Large universities (budgets €500M–1B) can sustain nominal pricing.
- Smaller institutions or those in **"low innovation intensity countries"** often receive EU *widening participation advantages* — increasing their grant success chances but with tighter budgets.

> ⓘ Note
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> 👉 TextileBase therefore offers **preferential discounted rates** to strengthen competitiveness in consortia.
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> **Widening participation countries (EU):** Bulgaria, Croatia, Cyprus, Czechia, Estonia, Greece, Hungary, Latvia, Lithuania, Malta, Poland, Portugal, Romania, Slovakia, Slovenia.
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> **Associated Countries:** Albania, Armenia, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Faroe Islands, Georgia, Kosovo, Moldova, Montenegro, Morocco, North Macedonia, Serbia, Tunisia, Turkey, Ukraine.

Next Step

We invite partners — **museums, research projects, NGOs, private collectors, and businesses** — to subscribe to TextileBase.

Together, we can build a **collaborative, AI-supported, open knowledge ecosystem** for textile and dress history.

👉 *Contact us to discuss which package fits your needs*.