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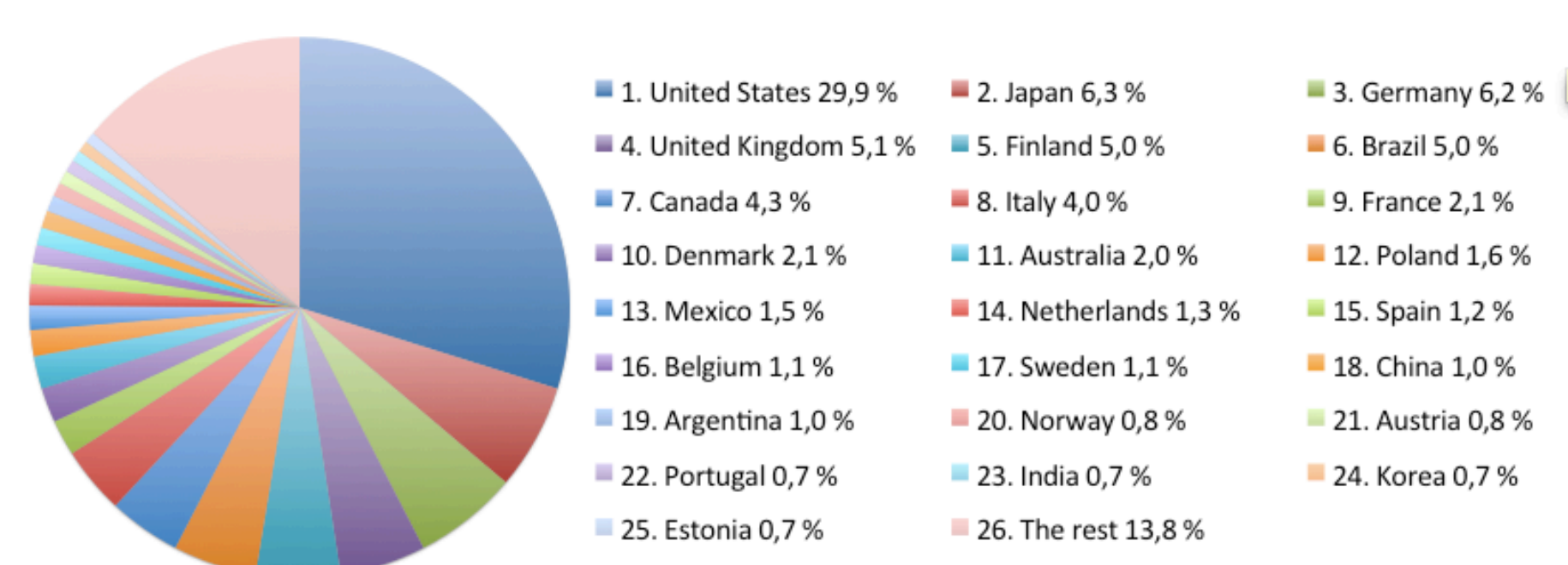
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In the Centennial year of 2014, the new *Commens Digital Companion* brings together two established on-line resources of Peirce research, adding improvements and new tools and publication possibilities, such as a dynamic news service, a collaboratively compiled bibliography of Peirce studies, and the publication of working papers.

Background

- ❖ **Commens: Digital Companion to C. S. Peirce**, opened in 2014, merges the Helsinki-based Peirce research site **Commens**, created by Mats Bergman and Sami Paavola in 2001, with the Brazilian **Digital Encyclopedia of Charles S. Peirce**, founded by João Queiroz in 2000
- ❖ Together with the new version the *Encyclopedia*, the popular *Commens Dictionary* forms the backbone of the new Digital Companion
- ❖ 132 terms, more than 700 quotes, and 33 articles have been transferred from the old Dictionary to the new platform



Visitors to the Commens Dictionary during 2003-2013 by country of origin (total 71 157)

Why a new Digital Companion?

- ❖ The goal of the original Commens was to enable scholarly communication as well as to provide free resources for researchers and students
- ❖ The new version, built on a dynamic content management platform (Drupal), realises this aim by providing new possibilities for user input and research collaboration
- ❖ In addition to evoking the original Digital Encyclopedia, the term 'Digital Companion' refers to the new forms of publication that Commens provides
- ❖ Functions as a complement to existing web resources, such as *Arisbe*, and established publications, such as the *Transactions of the Charles S. Peirce Society*

News

- ❖ Commens collects and publishes news pertaining to Peirce studies and closely related fields
- ❖ Divided into categories, such as 'academic meetings', 'calls for papers', and 'publications'
- ❖ Registered users are allowed to post news (moderated by the editors)

UPCOMING EVENTS ◊ UPCOMING DEADLINES
EXTERNAL BLOGS AND NEWS

FEATURED

The Charles S. Peirce International Centennial Congress

Peirce 2014
University of Massachusetts Lowell
Invigorating Philosophy for the 21st Century

Upcoming Events

07/07/14 to 12/07/14
Academic Meeting: The Summer Institute in American Philosophy 2014
Panels on C.S. Peirce, Hybridizing Pragmatist Political Theory, and African-American Literature; with a keynote by Carlin Romano (author of 'America: The Philosophical')
The Summer Institute in American Philosophy is designed for faculty members and advanced graduate and postdoctoral students in philosophy and related disciplines interested in research and study of Pragmatist and American philosophy. The program is centered around discussion-intensive plenary panels concerning central ... [E]

16/07/14 to 19/07/14
Academic Meeting: The Charles S. Peirce International Centennial Congress
In commemoration of the hundredth anniversary of the death of C. S. Peirce, The Charles S. Peirce Society and the Peirce Foundation invite the submission of new papers and panel proposals for the Charles S. Peirce International Centennial Congress, to be held on July 16-19, 2014 at the University of Massachusetts Lowell. The general theme of the congress is *Invigorating Philosophy for the 21st Century*. Confirmed

Bibliography

- ❖ The Commens Bibliography is an open-ended biographical database that lists both primary and secondary Peirce research sources
- ❖ Records are automatically formatted and exportable in various formats
- ❖ Registered users will be permitted to add records to the Bibliography

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28/06/14 | Monograph
Oleksy, Mateusz W. (2009) *Realism and Individualism: Charles S. Peirce and the Threat of Modern Nominalism*

24/06/14 | Manuscript
Peirce, Charles S. (1895 [c.]). *Elements of Mathematics*. MS [R] 165

14/06/14 | Manuscript
Peirce, Charles S. (1899 [c.]). F.R.L. 825

14/06/14 | Article in Journal
Peirce, Charles S. (1891). *The Architecture of Theories*

Bibliography: Ideas, Stray or Stolen, about scientific writing. No. 1

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| Type: | Manuscript | | |
| Author: | Peirce, Charles Sanders | | |
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"...that mind into which the minds of utterer and interpreter have to be fused in order that any communication should take place ... may be called the commens. It consists of all that is, and must be, well understood between utterer and interpreter, at the outset, in order that the sign in question should fulfill its function." (1906, *Letters to Lady Welby*, EP 2:478)

The Commens Dictionary

- ❖ Consists of original quotations, in which Peirce characterises his technical terms
- ❖ Aims to offer representative samples of Peirce's terminological definitions, arranged chronologically - does not lay claim to completeness
- ❖ Quotes are associated with sources from the Bibliography
- ❖ The Dictionary is a collaborative project. Editors and contributors may add and edit the contents, registered users may post user comments, and all users may suggest new terms and quotes

New terms in the Second Edition (constantly being added): Action, Actual, Anthropomorphism, Communicational Interpretant, Concept, Consciousness, Continuity, Critical Common-Sensism, Effectual Interpretant, Entitative Graph, Essence, Existence, Fact, Feeling, First Rule of Reason, Graph, Habit, Heceity, Il Lume Naturale, Intentional Interpretant, Intuition, Judgment, Learning, Necessitarianism, Perception, Philosophical Criticism, Plausibility, Proposition, Scholastic Realism, Synthetic Philosophy, Thought

The Commens Encyclopedia

- ❖ Publishes original research articles related to different aspects of the philosophy, scientific accomplishments, and life of Peirce
- ❖ The articles will be peer reviewed
- ❖ Publishes both full-length and short articles (see <http://www.commens.org/encyclopedia/submissions> for more information)
- ❖ Articles that focus on specific terminological questions and distinctive problems in Peirce studies are especially welcome; but all proposals with relevance to Peirce research will be considered

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The 'Second' Metaphysical Club and Its Impact on the Development of American Sciences

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Abstract: This memorandum documents some of the most noteworthy facts concerning the Metaphysical Club meetings, which were predominantly presided over by Charles Peirce, and which took place at Johns Hopkins

Future Prospects

- ❖ New possibilities of collaborative research on Peirce's *nachlass* are being explored
- ❖ More opportunities for user participation will be made available
- ❖ Keep up to date by following the Commens RSS and Twitter feeds, and by registering a user account!