L3S researcher Besnik Fetahu signed a formal collaboration agreement on a joint project with the Wikimedia foundation. The project titled “Identification of Unsourced Statements” aims at understanding and determining when a statement refers to facts, claims or opinions which require evidence from supporting resources like news, books or other Web documents. The research team plans to tackle this problem from a linguistic angle by looking for cues that indicate when a statement requires a citation to support evidence for it. They will investigate this in the context of Wikipedia and further expand the knowledge on how Wikipedia editors determine what requires a citation and what is deemed to be as common sense and, thus, not requiring any citation.

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