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# iTranslate4

Internet Translation Systems for all European Languages

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# Language technology products: local or global solutions?

Linguistic tool developments Hungary:

- 1990 Microsoft pays royalty to OEM developers
- 2000 Systran starts machine translation project
- 2009 Google starts machine translation services
  
- Problem: small market
- Answer: integration, global solution by local solution providers



# Goals of the EU

- CIP-ICT-PSP, 2009 call 3, by DG INFSO

Theme 5.1: Machine Translation for the Multilingual Web:

- The ICT objectives:
  - Create Single European Information Space
  - Strengthen Innovation
  - Support Inclusive European Information Society
- Pilot B objectives:
  - Integrate several partial solutions to realize a new innovative approach and achieve a sufficient critical mass to realize significant and meaningful impact.



# Goal 1: Selling the services

- Programming interface (API) to for integration
- Premium dedicated services (post-editing tool)
- Plug-ins and mobile apps

## Tasks :

- Internal API
- Integration
- External API
- Development of applications



## Goal 2: Exploitation of visibility

- Increased sale of partners' products
- Human translation marketplace
- Advertisements

### Tasks:

- Friendly user interface
- Social facilities: evaluation, ask/suggest translations, forum
- Module linking human translation services



# iTranslate4 Project Info 1

iTranslate4 project grant agreement no.: 250405

- Total budget: €3.94m
- EU contribution: €1.97m
  
- Start date: 01 March 2010
- End date: 29 February 2012



# iTranslate4 Project Info 2

## **SME partners:**

MorphoLogic - Hungary

SYSTRAN - France

Linguattec - Germany

pwn.pl - Poland

SkyCode - Bulgaria

Amebis - Slovenia

Sunda - Finland

PROMT - Germany

Trident MT - Latvia

## **Academic coordinator:**

Research Institute for Linguistics -

Hungarian Academy of Sciences







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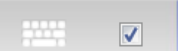
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Their input is translated from multiple systems. This should result in that the text is more understandable. Please select the best translation by clicking on the star below her. As a result, you help us to improve our offer.

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Their input is translated by several systems. This should lead to the fact that the text is better clear. Please, mark the best translation, while they click on the star under her. They thereby help us to improve our offer.

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Your input is translated from multiple systems. This should mean that the text is better understood. Please select the best translation by clicking on the star at her. This will help us to improve our site.

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Her grant is translated by some systems. That must to it conduct, that text is better clear. Please mark the best translation, meantime they click on a star at her. You due to it help us to improve our suggestion.

Your petition is translated from several systems. This shall be the reason that the text is understandable better. Please mark the best translation by clicking on the star under her. You help us to improve our offer.

# Result 1: translation service

- Internal API that connects the translation services
- 50 languages, 195 language pairs, 297 modules
- Associated partners: Lingenio and Apertium

## Tasks:

- External API to be published in September
- Premium dedicated services with post-editing
- Plug-ins, mobile apps



## Result 2: translation portal

- Text and webpage translation, chat program and translated search facility
- Spell checker, auto language detection and virtual keyboard
- 63 languages (Google and Microsoft)
- Website localization for 13 languages
- The website in operation for two months now

### Tasks :

- Open human translation marketplace
- Utilize evaluation results: automatic, tests and feedback



# Conclusion 1

- We have a technology
- We have a website
- We have a partnership
- We have better market conditions

So far so good...



## Conclusion 2

But to justify the idea, we have to exploit the opportunities of this business model which:

- Favours solutions by devoted local experts with responsibility and expertise towards their native language
- Preserves identity and existence of local SMEs
- But provides solution to global problems that need full coverage of languages



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