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Where do we stand now?

Currently ongoing:

- 26 LT projects
- 60 MEUR

Pending selection of winners:

- ICT-PSP call 4 “Multilingual Web”
- closed 1 Jun 2010
- 16 MEUR
- 6-8 more projects

Where will we stand end of 2011?

Within next 10 months - two more calls:

- 2010 FP7 *call 7* – obj 4.2 – 50 MEUR
- 2011 FP7 *SME initiative* (obj 4.1): <20 MEUR

End of 2011 we will have:

Total 60+ running LT projects, 130 M funding → 55 M/year = 600-800 FTE

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The “language technologies” call

FP7-ICT Call 7 (launch 28 Sep 2010 tbc)

- multilingual content processing: IP + STREP
- information access & mining: STREP
- natural spoken interaction: IP + STREP

practical/empirical approach - validation
- involve users/vendors

75% funding rate!

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The SME call

“SME initiative on digital content and languages” (launch Feb 2011)

- adding value by pooling/making available, integrating ... (language) **data**
- provide attractive and useful services with innovative technologies
- at least 2 SMEs
- fast and small projects/consortia
- 35 MEUR total, including “non-linguistic” content
- 75% funding rate!

First (immediate) challenge

Now we (you) need to:

- mobilize 100+ new players
- ...mostly from industry/business
- get them interested/involved
- ...and submitting good proposals
- spread the word -- you cannot do it alone!

Second (mid-term) challenge

Adapt to new environment:

- less political drive for multilingualism
- economic austerity
- strong competition of policy areas
- “multilingualism is expensive”
- LT is and will be challenged
 - is it any good?
 - is it already good enough?

Dates & Events

- 27-29 Sep 2010: ICT conference in Brussels & launch of FP7 Call 7
- mid-Nov 2010: dedicated info session(s)
- Jan 2011: close of "language technologies" call (tbc)
- Close of SME call: Apr 2011 (1st stage), Sep 2011 (2nd stage) – both tbc

Thank you!

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