



# EUROPEAN LANGUAGE GRID

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**META-FORUM 2020**

**Piloting the European Language Grid**

**The Second Annual ELG Conference**

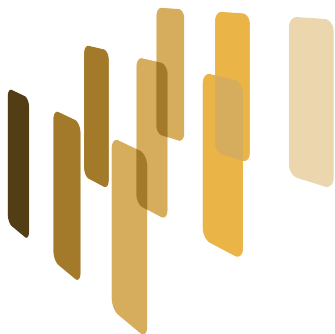
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<http://www.european-language-grid.eu>

- Founded in 2010 by the FP7 T4ME, later supported by CRACKER, now ELG
  - 60 members from 34 countries
  - META: Multilingual Europe Technology Alliance with “free” membership
  - 900+ members from 68 countries
- META-FORUM
  - This conference – since 2010, now the 9th META-FORUM
- Goal(s)
  - Connect the LT community: research, business, public administrations
  - Vision for the LT community: Strategic Agenda(s)

# Between META-FORUM 2019 and today ...

- **Language Technology projects in Europe**
  - **ELG** completed its first Open Call (ten projects funded)
  - Cooperation continues with the ongoing LT/NLP projects:
    - **ELITR** – automatic interpreting
    - **Bergamot** – in-browser MT
    - **Comprise** – voice-enabled services
    - **EMBEDDIA** – Cross-lingual embeddings
    - **Prêt-à-LLOD** – Linguistic Linked Open Data
    - **Gourmet** – MT for low-resourced languages
  - Language technology represented in **Humane-AI Net** center of excellence (started in 2020)
  - New project: **European Language Equality** – prepare the agenda for the Horizon Europe period



## **META-FORUM 2020**

Welcome and Introduction

# **Thank you and enjoy the conference!**



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# Session 1: Opening

**09:15      Opening Keynote Speech**

Patrick Breyer (Member of the European Parliament)

**09:30      Opening Keynote Speech**

Yvo Volman (acting Director, Directorate G, DG CONNECT, European Commission)

**09:45      European Language Grid: Broad Overview – Services and Resources – Platform**

Georg Rehm (DFKI)

Kalina Bontcheva (University of Sheffield)

Stelios Piperidis (ILSP/R.C. “Athena”)