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Joining the European Language Grid:
Together towards Digital Language Equality

11th META-FORUM – 4th Annual ELG Conference – 1st Annual ELE Conference

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TDLE 2022



- Towards Digital Language Equality Workshop 2022 co-located with LREC 2022
- 20 June 2022 (afternoon), Marseille, France
- Organisers: Itziar Aldabe, Begoña Altuna, Aritz Farwell, German Rigau (all HiTZ, UPV-EHU), Federico Gaspari, Andy Way (all ADAPT, DCU), Maria Giagkou, Stelios Piperidis (all Athena RC/ILSP), Jan Hajic (Charles University), Georg Rehm (DFKI)
- https://european-language-equality.eu/tdle-2022/
- Keynote:
 - Measuring Cultural Representativeness and Rethinking LT4All.
 - Antonios Anastasopoulos (George Mason University)



TDLE 2022: Accepted Papers



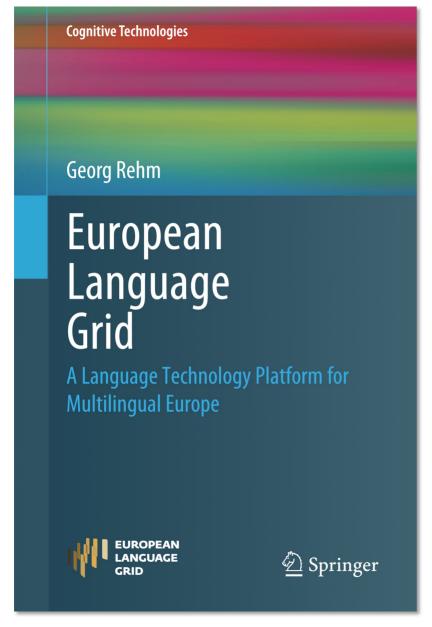
- Introducing the Digital Language Equality Metric: Contextual Factors. Annika Grützner-Zahn and Georg Rehm
- Introducing the Digital Language Equality Metric: Technological Factors. Federico Gaspari, Owen Gallagher, Georg Rehm, Maria Giagkou, Stelios Piperidis, Jane Dunne and Andy Way
- Collaborative Metadata Aggregation and Curation in Support of Digital Language Equality Monitoring.

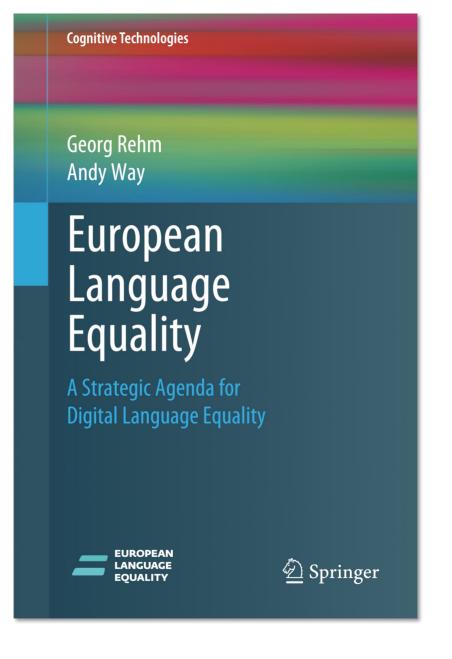
 Maria Giagkou, Stelios Piperidis, Penny Labropoulou, Miltos Deligiannis, Athanasia Kolovou and Leon Voukoutis
- Measuring HLT Research Equality of European Languages. Gorka Artola and German Rigau
- National Language Technology Platform for Public Administration. Marko Tadić, Daša Farkaš, Matea Filko, Artūrs Vasiļevskis, Andrejs Vasiļjevs, Jānis Ziediņš, Željka Motika, Mark Fishel, Hrafn Loftsson, Jón Guðnason, Claudia Borg, Keith Cortis, Judie Attard and Donatienne Spiteri
- The Nós Project: Opening routes for the Galician language in the field of language technologies. Iria de-Dios-Flores, Carmen Magariños, Adina Ioana Vladu, John E. Ortega, José Ramom Pichel, Marcos García, Pablo Gamallo, Elisa Fernández Rei, Alberto Bugarín-Diz, Manuel González González, Senén Barro and Xosé Luis Regueira



- ELE includes an unusually high number of 66 deliverables plus various non-contractual reports provided by unfunded partners
- All public deliverables and non-contractual reports are available on https://european-language-equality.eu/deliverables/
- This is an extremely rich and useful body of work. Consider using it for your own research.
- Total number of pages of deliverables available online so far: 2210 (six reports still pending)







European Language Equality Book



- ELG book almost ready will be submitted to the publisher in June/July 2022
- ELE book is in production, it will be published in the second half of 2022
- Both books will be Open Access
- The ELE book has 46 chapters, divided into four parts (approx. 400-450 pages in total)

European Language Equality – A Strategic Agenda for Digital Language Equality

Part I	European Language Equality – Status Quo in 2022 I	(34 chapters)
Part II	European Language Equality – Status Quo in 2022 II	(3 chapters)
Part III	European Language Equality – The Future Situation in 2030	(6 chapters)
Part IV	European Language Equality – Strategic Agenda and Roadmap	(2 chapters)

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- The modest budget of ELE 2 will enable us to continue selected ELE activities
- Fortunately, META-FORUM is one of them
- META-FORUM 2023 will most likely take place in June 2023

Final Remarks





- A lot of traction, both on the international level and various national levels.
- All countries, industries, sectors and languages are interested in large language models.
- Many new opportunities in Horizon Europe (research) and Digital Europe (deployment).
- How to collaborate and coordinate between EU/EC and the different countries/regions?
 - Countries should concentrate on getting national funding programmes that support the development of technologies (including models) for their language ELE 2, OpenGPT-X etc. will help.
 - Scientists want to compete with their colleagues on a global level so many are incentivised only to work on English. *This needs to change!*
 - Coordination should happen on the international level ELG, ELE 2 and related projects will help. We need to find solutions for the crucial challenges, one of which is data availability.
- ELG, ELE 2, LDS etc. will help establish the bridge between and the strategic plan for the EU and the participating countries.

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THANK YOU VERY MUCH!

All presenters

All participants of panel discussions

All participants of the conference

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Thank you for attending and see you next year at META-FORUM 2023!

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