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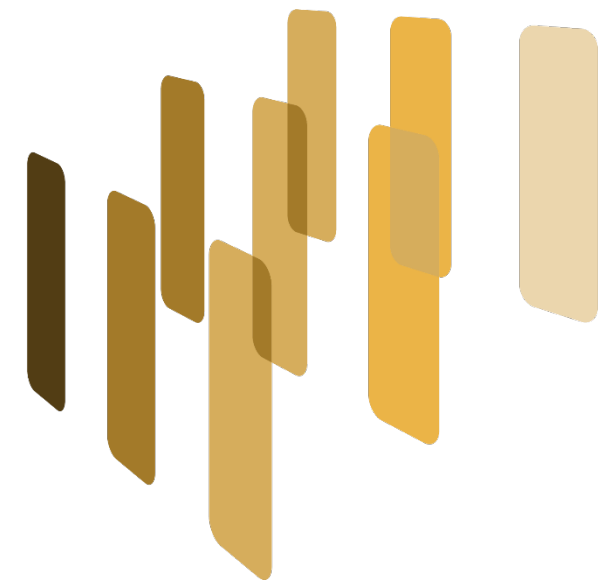
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European Language Grid overview

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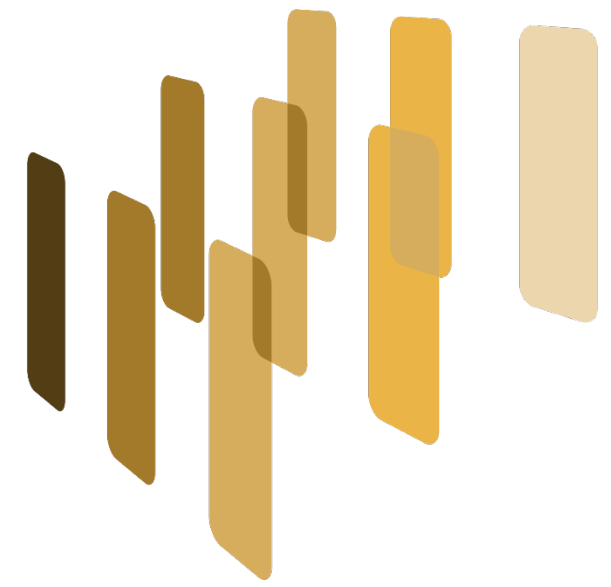
UniDive, WG3 meeting, September 8, 2023



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European Language Grid **project**

- Project duration: 2019-2022
- Roots: META-NET Strategic Research Agenda for Multilingual Europe (2020)
 - 24 official EU languages, more than 60 official languages at the national and regional levels
 - Fragmented LT landscape: thousands for SMEs directly or indirectly active in the LT sector, hundreds of research and academic institutions
 - A "European Service Platform for Language Technologies" recommended
- Main aim: tackle the fragmentation of the European LT landscape
- Landmark outcome: the **European Language Grid platform**



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Technologies Resources Community Events Documentation About ELG

Search for services, tools, datasets, organizations... Search

Language resources & technologies

Service functions

Intended LT applications

Languages

Media types

Licences

Conditions of use for data

"Fatalne jaja" Bułhakow
version: unspecified 147 views

Story "Fatalne Jaja" Michaił Bułhakow
Keywords: korpus - korpus tekstowy
Language: Polish
Licence: Creative Commons Attribution 3.0 Unported

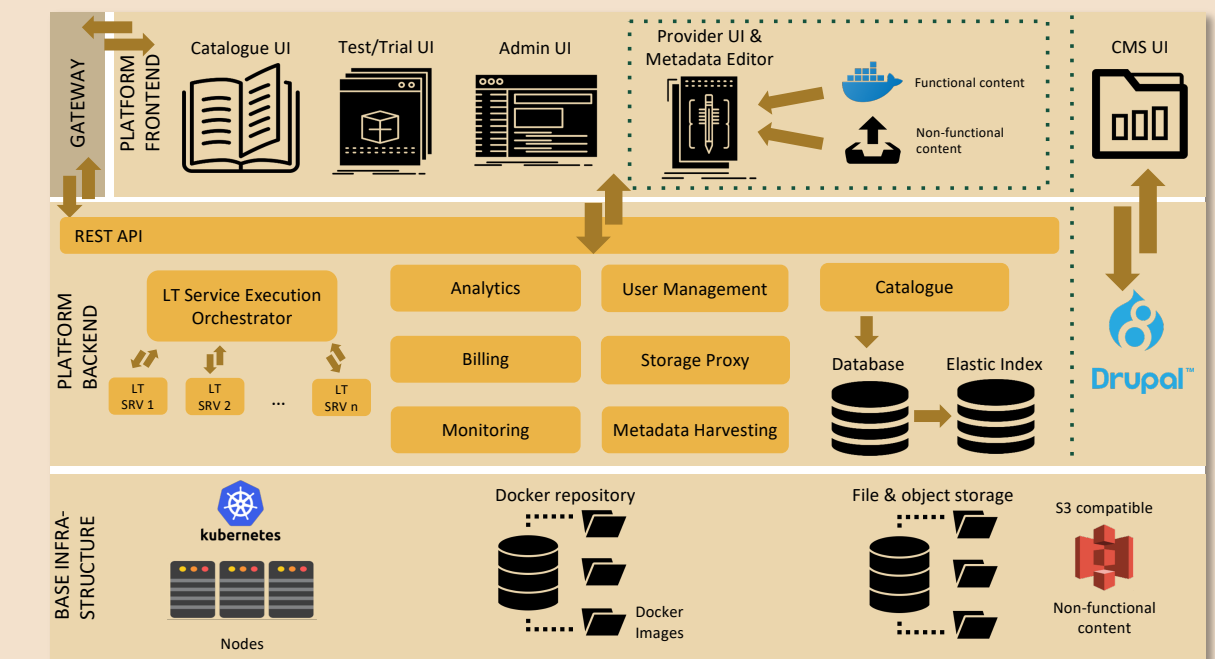
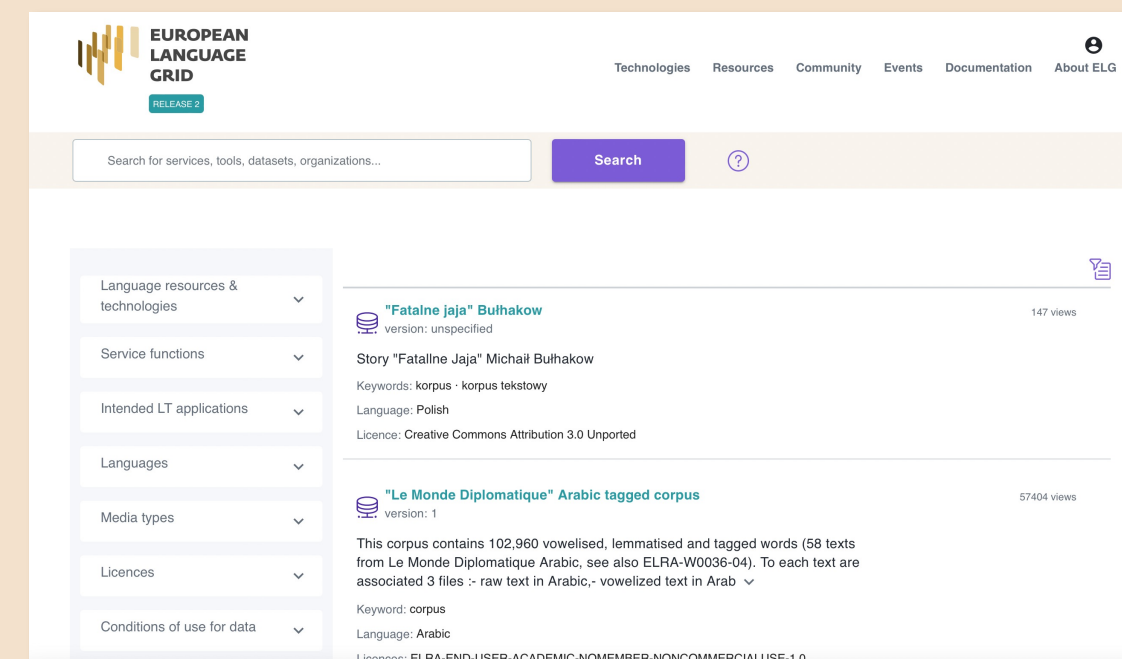
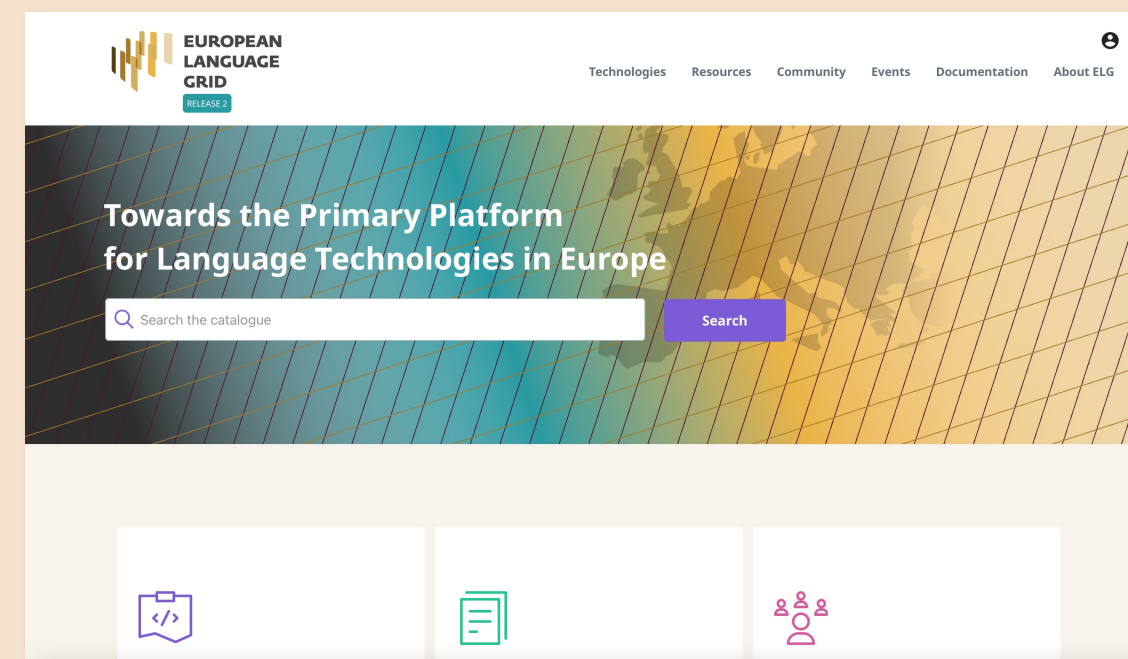
"Le Monde Diplomatique" Arabic tagged corpus
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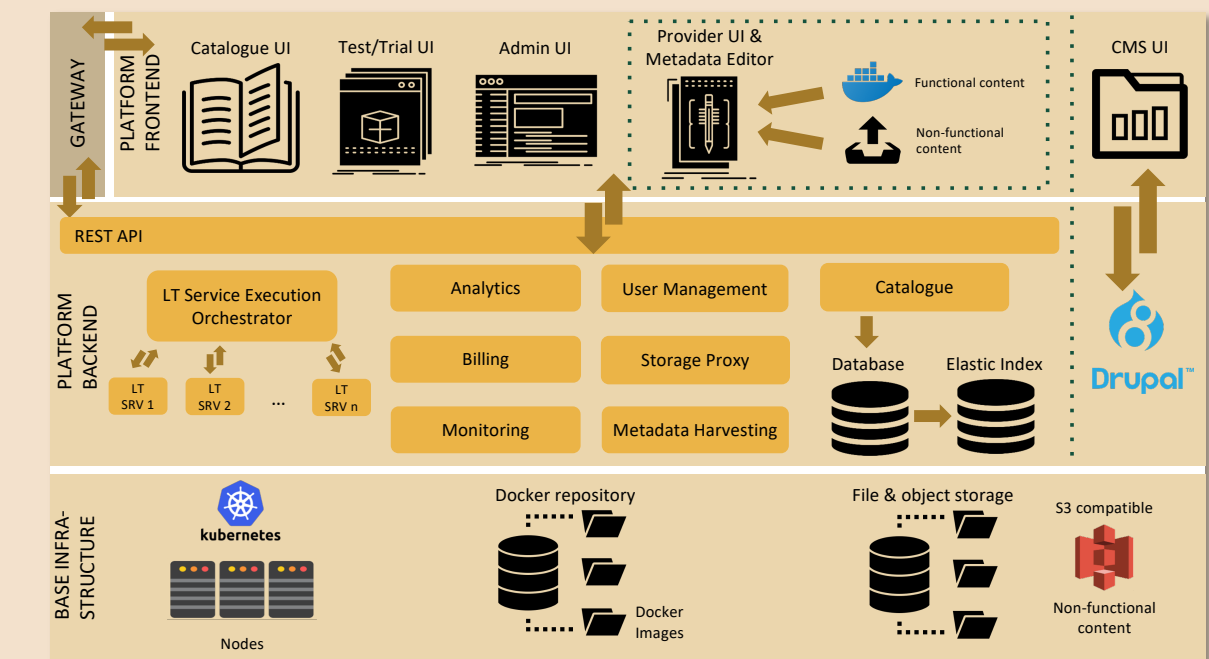
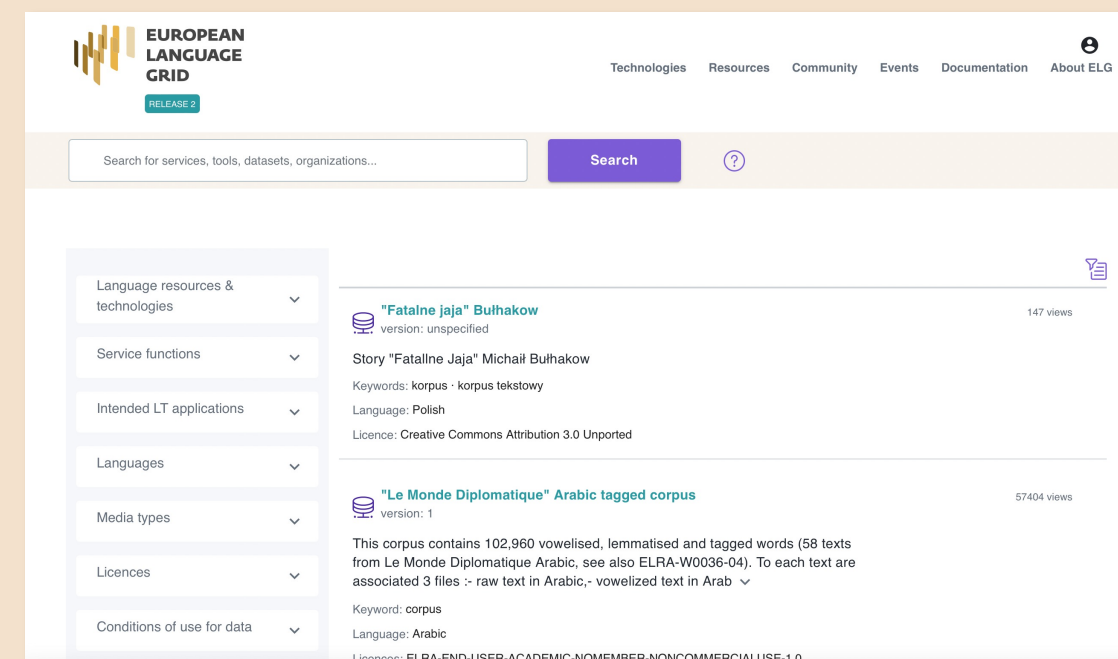
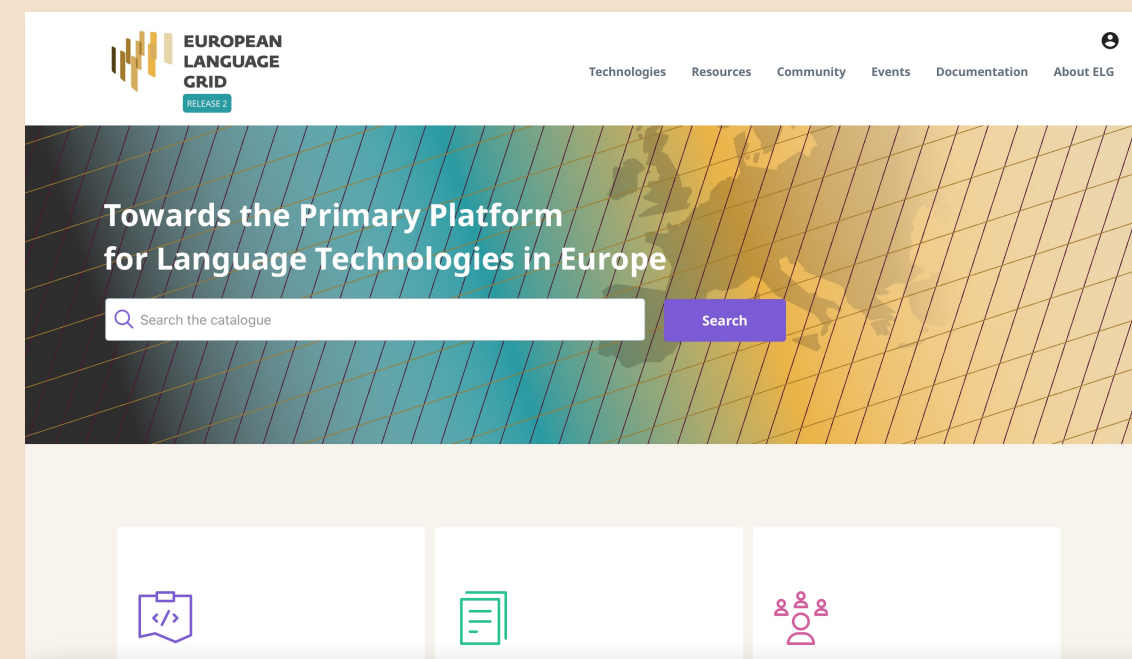
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European Language Grid **platform**

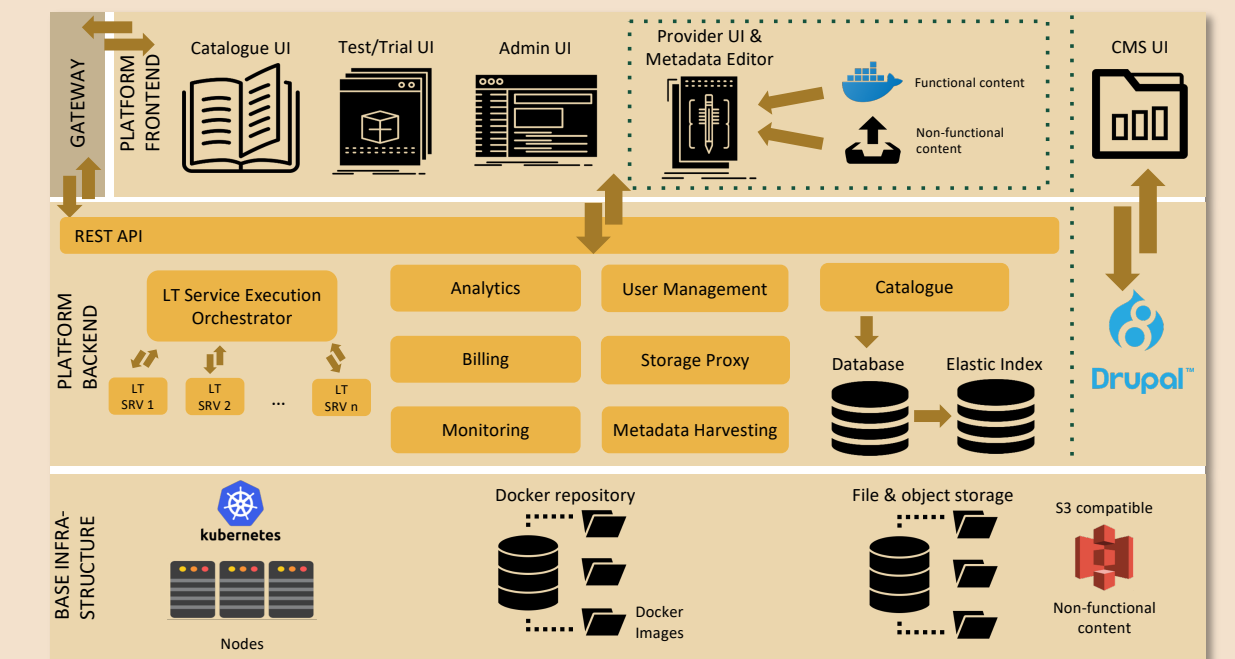
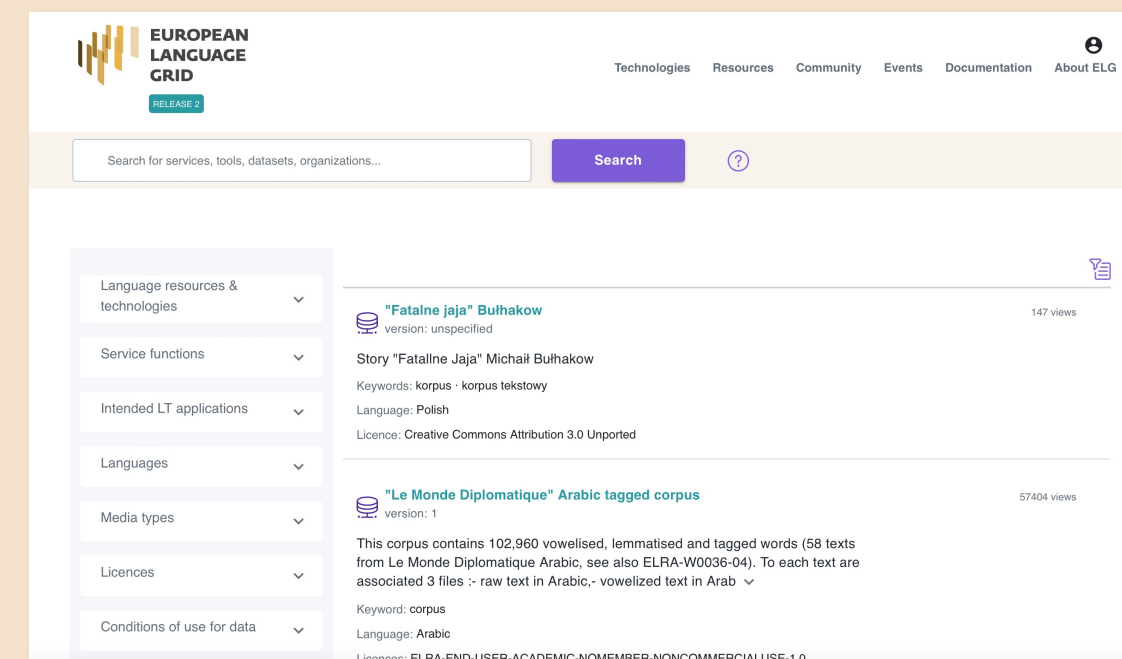
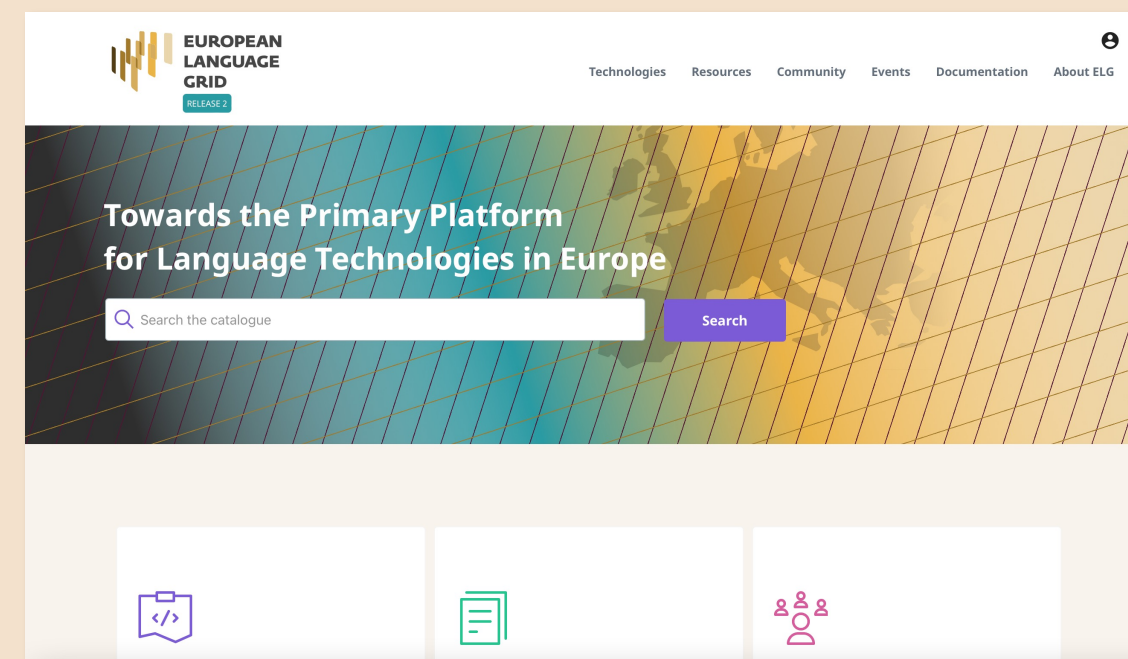
- Accessible at <https://live.european-language-grid.eu/>
- A platform for commercial and non-commercial LTs
- In support of developers and integrators of LTs as well as users/consumers of LT
- Enabling the European LT community to **upload** services and data sets, to **deploy** them and to connect with, and **use** resources made available by others



European Language Grid is a **joint data, tools and services sharing platform**



European Language Grid is a **marketplace and one-stop-shop** for the whole European Language Technology community



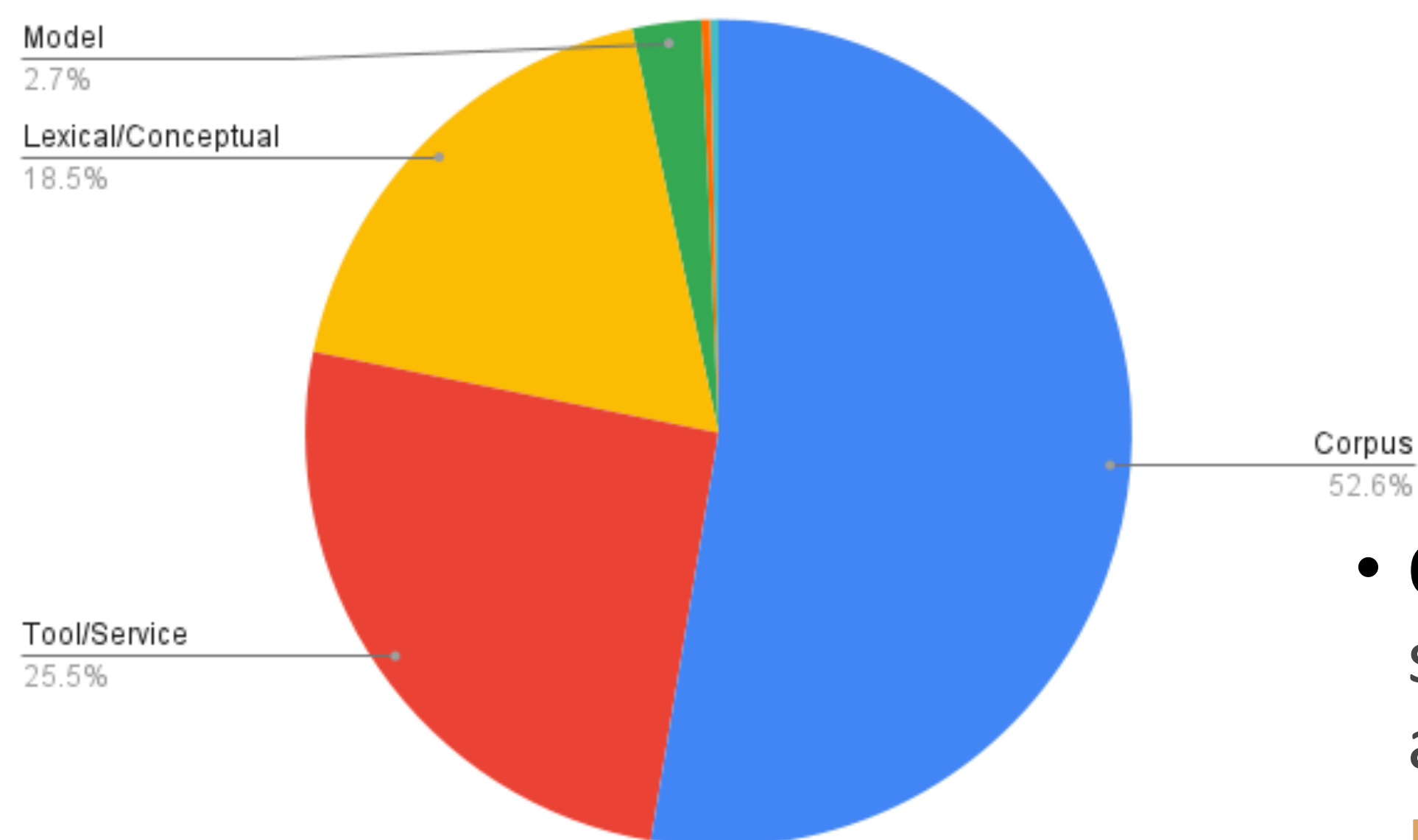
European Language Grid is the **yellow pages** of the European Language Technology community

ELG catalogue in numbers (2023/09/05)

15.199 Language Resources & Technologies (LRTs), including

- **As per type:**

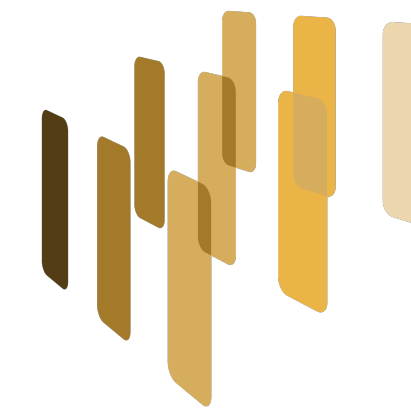
- 11.319 data resources, e.g. **corpora** (collections of data), **models**, **lexical/conceptual resources** (e.g., lexica, ontologies, terminologies, etc.), **computational grammars**
- 3.880 **language processing tools and services** (e.g., MT services, speech synthesis/analysis tools, IE services, etc.),



- Of which, 1307 LRTs **integrated** in the ELG infrastructure: 1187 services running in the ELG cloud and 120 datasets uploaded and hosted in ELG; remaining records are “**metadata-only records**” providing information on the LRTs and re-directing consumers to the location where they can access them
- Related entities: 1775 **Organizations** involved in LT & 513 **Projects**

ELG catalogue contents: Sources

- **Bridges** with existing platforms and infrastructures
 - Mainly in terms of metadata-based descriptions
 - Based on **open protocols** (OAI-PMH), or **APIs** offered by the platform or infrastructure providers
 - Respecting their own policies
- ELG also as infrastructural arm of **ELE**
 - using a mixture of automatic and collaborative population of the ELG catalogue



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Technologies Resources Community Events Documentation About ELG

Towards the Primary Platform for Language Technologies in Europe

Search the catalogue

Language technologies
LT services, tools, components, downloadable or deployed directly through the grid

Language data and resources
The collection of data sets, corpora, language models and other language resources

Community
Organizations, projects, events etc in European Language technology field

Browsing the ELG catalogue

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Downloading a resource

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UEDIN-MT-DeEn

140 search results for UEDIN-MT-DeEn

UEDIN Machine Translation Service for German to English
1.0.0
111 views
2131 times used
ELG-compatible service

UEDIN Machine Translation Service for Czech to English
1.0.0
25 views
152 times used
ELG-compatible service

UEDIN Machine Translation Service for English to German
1.0.0
62 views
570 times used
ELG-compatible service

Testing an MT service

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conll shared task
2007 conll shared task
hosted at elg
udpipe english

"Fatalne jaja" Bulhakow
unspecified
33 views
0 downloads
Story "Fatalne Jaja" Michail Bulhakow
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"Le Monde Diplomatique" Arabic tagged corpus
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28612 views
0 downloads
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"Le Monde Diplomatique" Text corpus in Arabic
1
116 views
0 downloads
Electronic archiving of "Le Monde Diplomatique" articles in Arabic from 2000. The corpus is available in HTML. Each HTML file contains one article. Number of articles available per year: • 2000: 61 articles (November a

Testing a dependency parser

Provider's grid

- Providers can create new items
 - by validating and uploading a schema compliant metadata record (single or batch)
 - using an **interactive metadata editor**

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My grid Annika Grützner-Zahn

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Info

1. At any point you are able to save your progress as draft and continue editing at a later time
2. Once you submit your record you will not be able to save it as draft any more, but you will still be able to make changes and submit them.
3. Visit all tabs in order to fill in as much information as possible for better visibility of your record.

DESCRIBE ORGANIZATION DESCRIBE PARENT Save draft Save

IDENTITY

Organization name* organization test language English

The official title of the organization select language

Organization identifier organization test Fill in

A string used to uniquely identify the organization

Organization short name organization test language English

An abbreviation, acronym, etc. used for the organization select language

Organization description organization test language English

General information on the organization

Logo Browse

Upload an image file (e.g., JPG, PNG) or add the full URL for the organization logo

Save draft Save

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My grid Test Provider

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Test Provider penny2spy@gmail.com

View profile

Welcome to your grid !

Here you can:

- view and update your profile
- view your items and your tasks
- access creation forms
- upload items

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ADD ITEMS

Service or Tool
Services that run in the cloud, downloadable tools, source code, etc., that perform language processing and/or any Language Technology related operation, such as Machine Translation, Information extraction, linguistic annotation, automatic speech recognition, etc.

Go to form

Corpus
Structured collections of pieces of data, such as collections of text documents, audio transcripts, audio and video recordings, parallel corpora, linguistically annotated corpora, treebanks, etc.

Go to form

Language description
Machine learning models, embeddings, language models, computational grammars

Go to form

Items

- + Corpus (1)
- + Organization (1)
- + Tool/Service (1)

Status

- + syntactically valid (3)
- + draft (1)

service tool 2
1.0.0 (automatically assigned)

Created: 08 April 2021
Updated: 12 April 2021

Tool/Service

Organization 2
Created: 08 April 2021
Updated: 08 April 2021

Organization

Organization
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Organization

test corpus 2
1.0.0 (automatically assigned)

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Updated: 08 April 2021

Organization

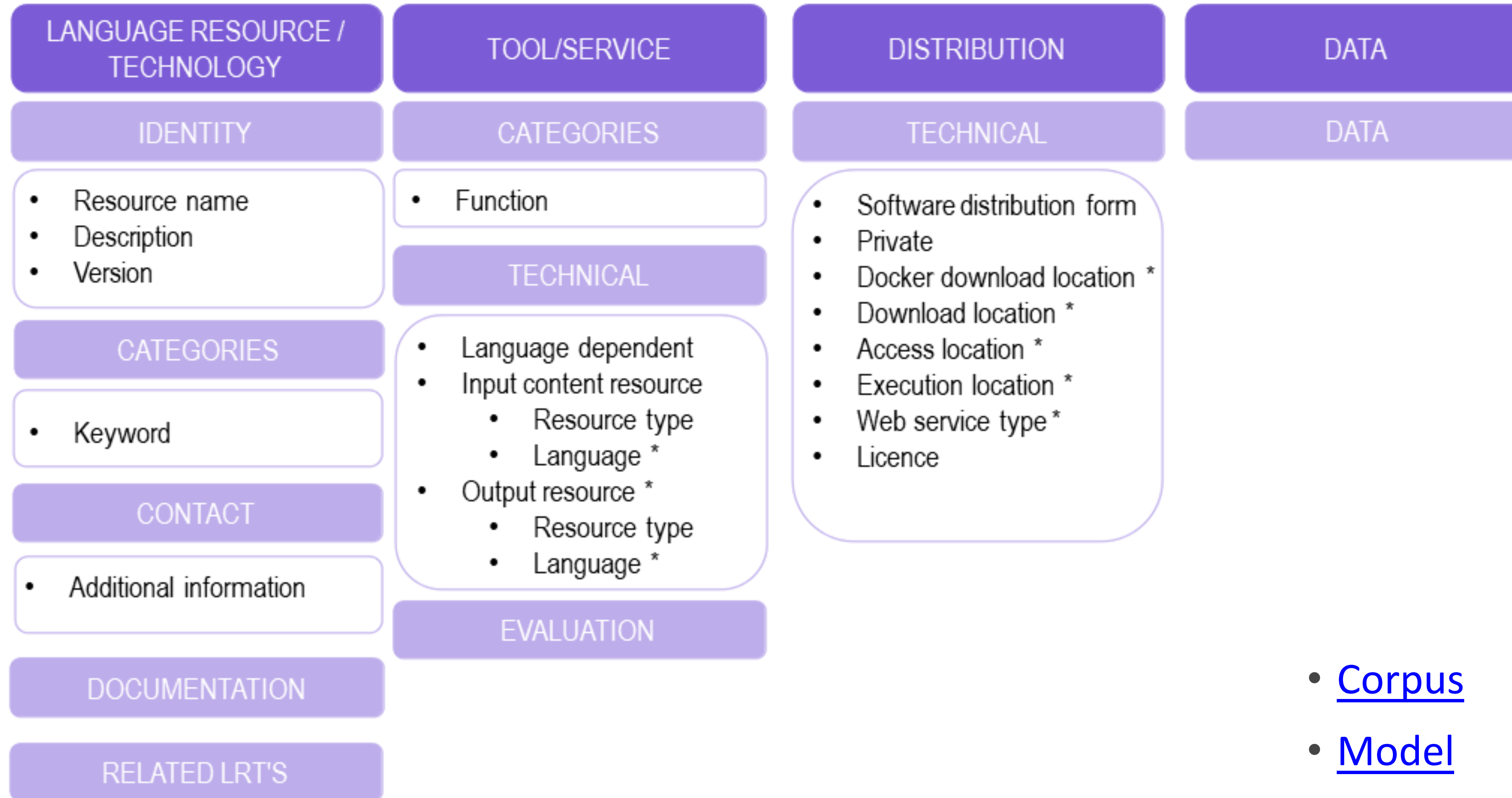
Actions

- syntactically valid
- Edit Metadata
- Copy record syntactically valid
- Submit for publication
- Delete Metadata syntactically valid
- draft

ELG metadata schema: main features

- **rich structured model** aiming to describe LRTs properties throughout their lifecycle, from design to (re-)use
- three versions:
 - **maximal** (full description) with required, recommended and optional properties
 - **minimal** (intended to support discovery) with required properties
 - **relaxed** (intended only for harvesting from more generic sources) with strictly required properties
- implementation: XSD re-using elements and values from OWL ontologies and controlled vocabularies in SKOS
 - [MS-OWL](#) (derived from the META-SHARE model)
 - [OMTD-SHARE](#) (catering for annotation/extraction types, data formats, methods & "LT taxonomy" used for service functions, intended application and LT areas for organisations and projects)
- Mappings with DataCite, DCAT, DC, (partially) schema.org

ELG minimal metadata schema



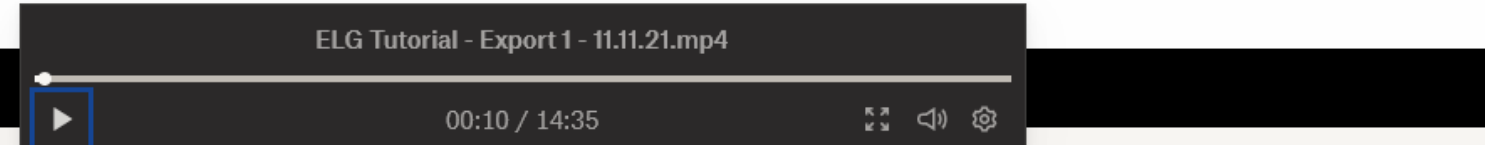
- [Corpus](#)
- [Model](#)
- [Lexical/Conceptual resource](#)
- [Tool/Service \(not ELG-compatible\)](#)

ELG Support

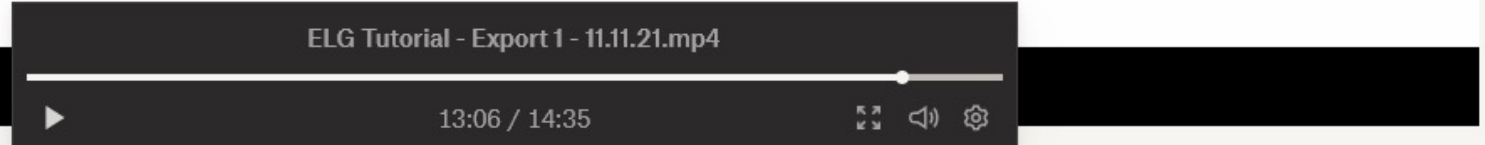
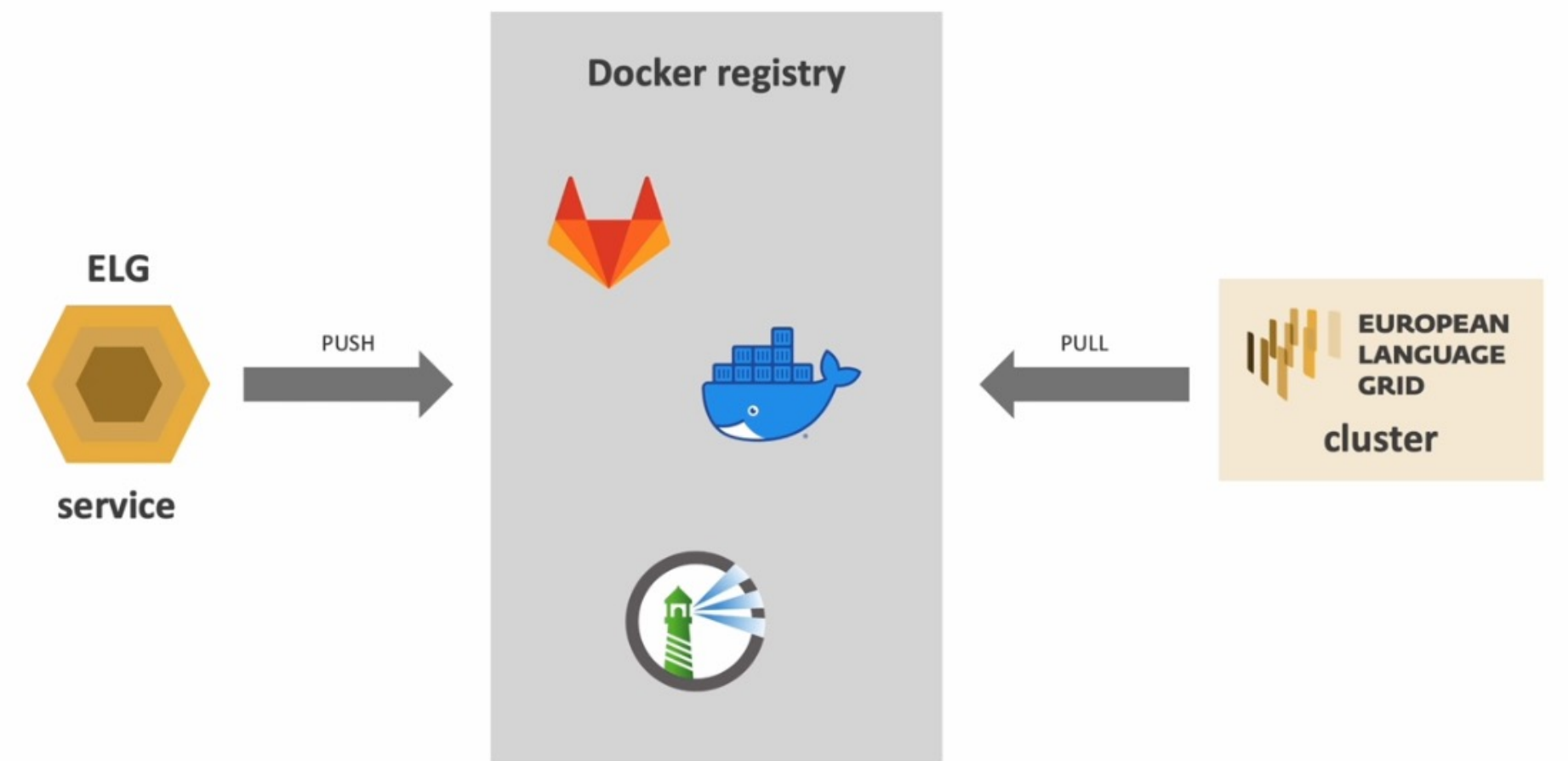
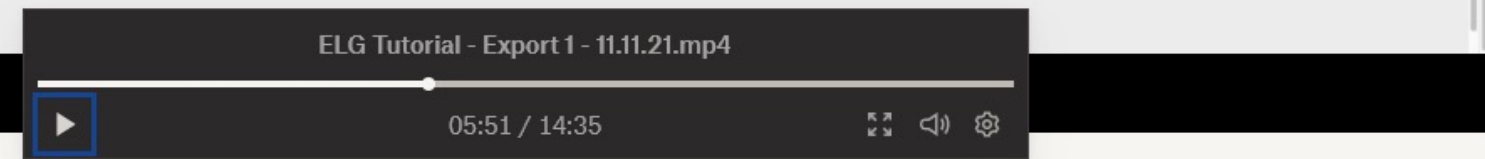
The screenshot displays the European Language Grid (ELG) documentation website. The header includes the ELG logo and the text 'Welcome to European Language Grid Documentation'. A search bar is located below the header. The main content area features a 'Note' box stating: 'Please note that we are working to update the current document with the new features added to the latest ELG platform release.' Below this, there are sections for 'Examples', including 'Example 1: Information Extraction service' and 'Example 2: Machine Translation service'. A navigation menu on the left lists various sections: CHAPTER 1: INTRODUCTION, CHAPTER 2: USING ELG, ANNEX 2: METADATA SCHEMA, ANNEX 3: API SPECIFICATIONS, ANNEX 4: PROCESSES AND POLICIES, ANNEX 5: PUBLICATIONS AND REPORTS, and ANNEX 6: OPEN CALL PROJECTS.

- **Documentation:** <https://european-language-grid.readthedocs.io>
 - structured with the user in mind
 - Using, Contributing, Validating
 - examples and detailed technical guidance
 - recommendations on split of metadata records, data packaging and integration of services
 - continuously updated
- **Schema documentation** and ready-to-use templates and examples: <https://gitlab.com/european-language-grid/platform/ELG-SHARE-schema>

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jupyter Demo Last Checkpoint: a few seconds ago (unsaved changes) Logout
File Edit View Insert Cell Kernel Widgets Help Not Trusted Python 3.8.10 64-bit (elg: conda)
Entity type LanguageResource
Description Freely available large dataset, manually annotated for German NER. Includes nested span annotations. Source text from German Wikipedia and news. This data set does not contain the test data, which is used for the GermEval 2014 NER task at KONVENS. Test data will be available from September 2014.
Licences ['Creative Commons Attribution 4.0 International']
Languages ['German']
Status None
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In [*]: from elg import Corpus
corpus = Corpus.from_id(987)
corpus.download()
print("File:")
!ls | grep .gz
Downloading:
[987] NoSta-D: German NER Dataset Train/Dev
Downloading the corpus distribution to NoSta_D_German_NER_Dataset_Train_Dev.gz:
100% [redacted] 2.92M/2.92M [00:02<00:00, 1.32MiB/s]
In [ ]: from elg import Service
service = Service.from_id(474)
response = service("Did Nikolas Tesla live in Berlin?")
print("Response: ", response.annotations)
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- Assisted Living
- European Clinical Case Corpus
- European Language Grid
- European Language Resource Coordination 3.0

ELG tutorial video that explains how to make resources and tools available (<https://youtu.be/29-V2EyMn4E>).



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European Language Equality (ELE)

Objective: *development of a strategic research, innovation and deployment agenda to achieve digital language equality in Europe by 2030*

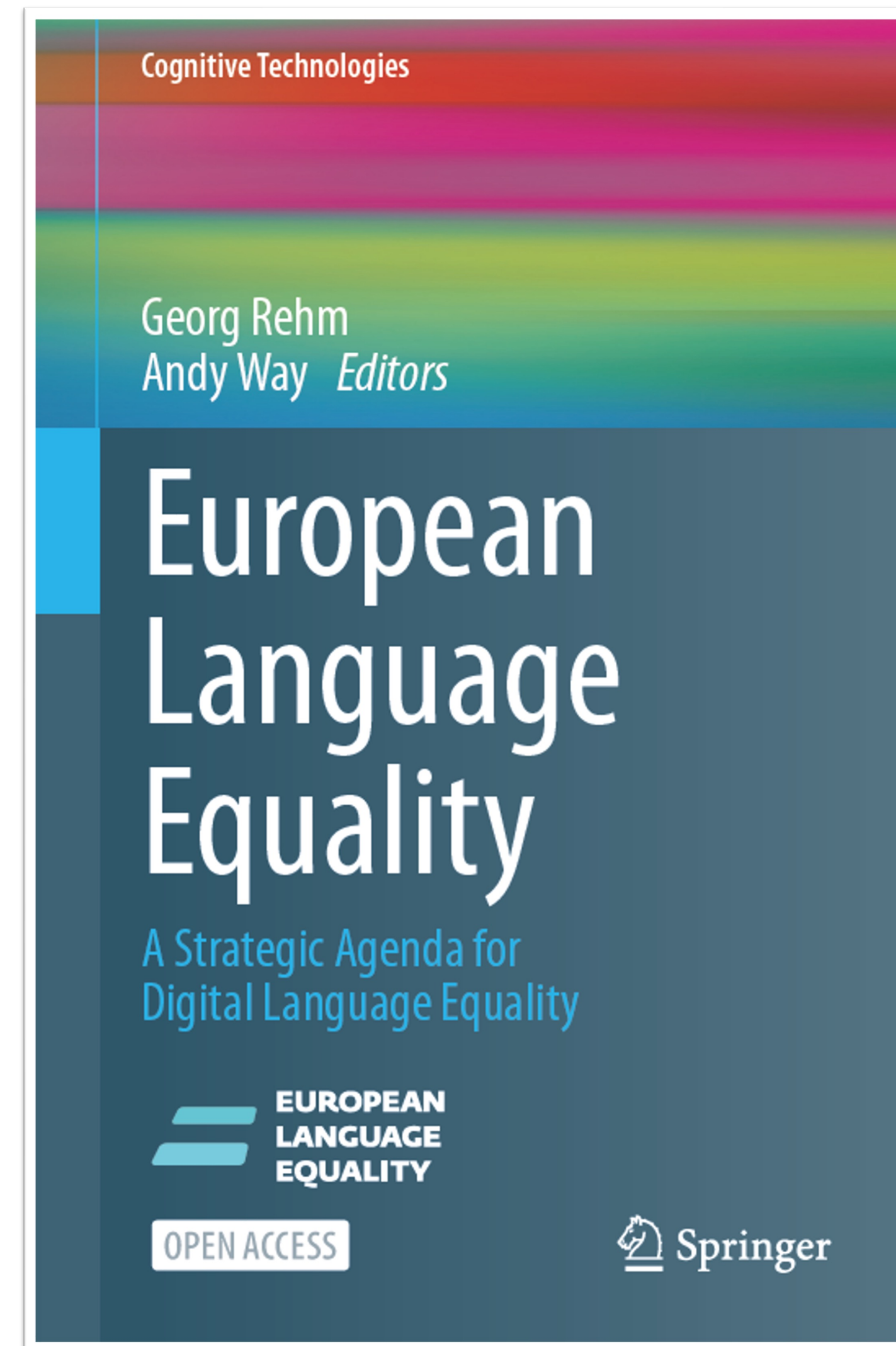
Runtime: 18 + 12 months (ELE1 and ELE2)

Ended 30 June 2023

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

ELE Some of the main outcomes and findings

- 35 language reports, >40 languages, ~100 authors (D1.4-D1.36, D1.38-D1.39) (<https://european-language-equality.eu/deliverables/>)
- Strategic Research, Innovation and Implementation Agenda and Roadmap (<https://european-language-equality.eu/agenda/>)
- ELE book
(<https://link.springer.com/content/pdf/10.1007/978-3-031-28819-7.pdf?pdf=button>)



ELE Some of the main outcomes and findings

- Evidence-based investigation of the level of technology support per language
- Aggregate (meta)data through multiple strategies, including **manual population by ELE partners**
- Import these metadata to the ELG Catalogue and use the contents of the Catalogue to:
 - Compute the Digital Language Equality metric
 - DLE computations and visualisations through the DLE dashboard (<https://live.european-language-grid.eu/catalogue/dashboard>)



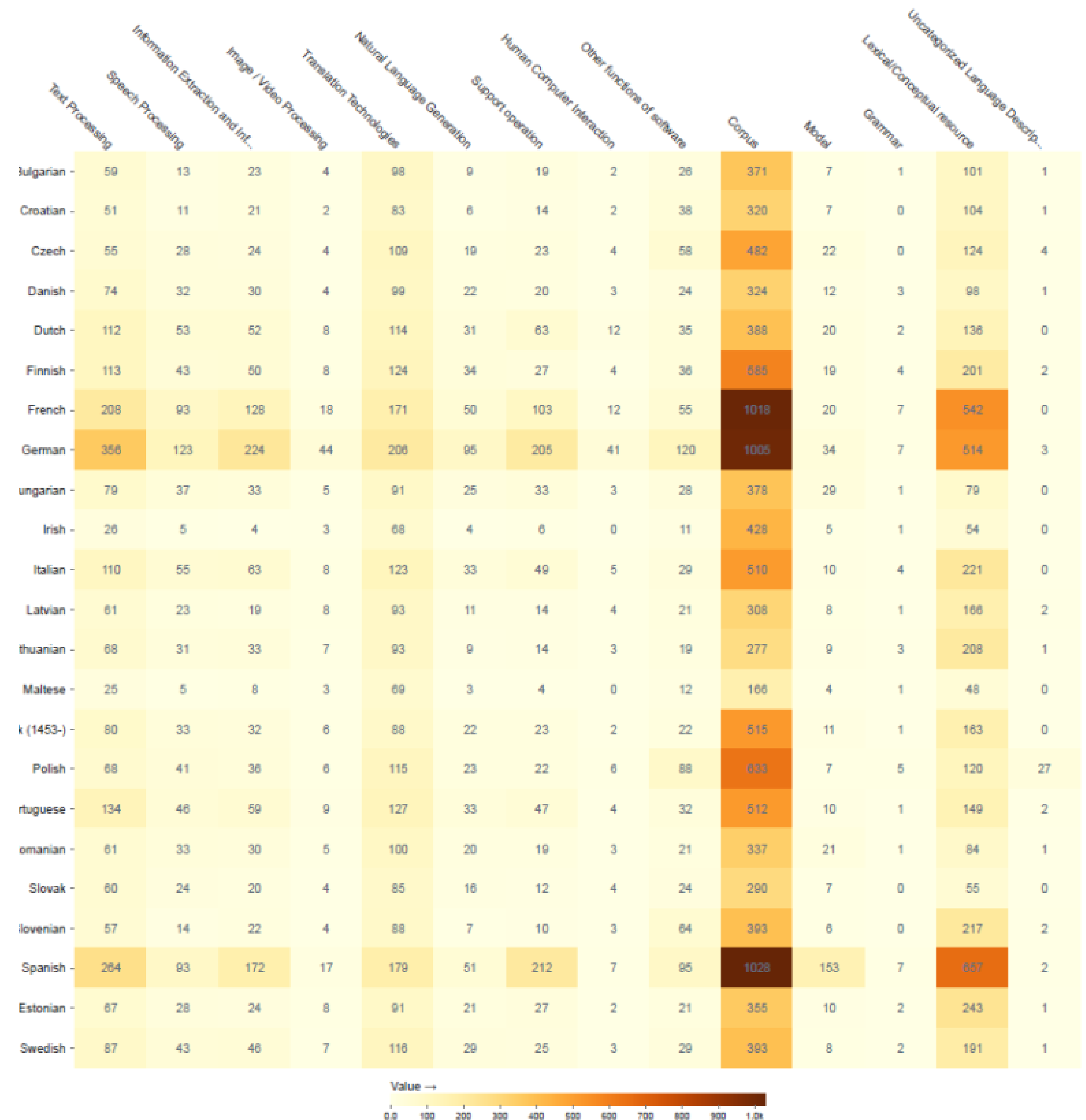
Dashboard walkthrough

- DLE technological and contextual scores
- Cross-language comparisons
 - As per resource types and features
 - Through
 - Histograms
 - Heatmaps
 - Radial bars
- Within-language comparisons
- Evolution of resources over time

The screenshot shows the 'About' page of the European Language Grid Dashboard. At the top left is the 'EUROPEAN LANGUAGE GRID' logo with 'RELEASE 3' below it. At the top right are navigation links: 'Catalogue', 'Documentation & Media', and 'About'. Below the navigation is a 'Go to catalogue' button. The main navigation bar includes 'About' (selected), 'DLE Scores', 'Cross-language comparison', 'Within-language comparison', and 'Evolution over time'. The 'EUROPEAN LANGUAGE EQUALITY' logo is on the right. The main content area has the heading 'About European Language Equality / European Language Grid Dashboard' and a sub-heading 'About European Language Equality / European Language Grid Dashboard'. The text describes the dashboard's purpose and the Digital Language Equality (DLE) metric. It defines DLE as the state of affairs where all languages have the technological support and situational context necessary to thrive in the digital age. The DLE Metric is defined as a measure of digital readiness, computed based on technological and contextual factors. A note mentions the dashboard was developed as part of the European Language Grid Catalogue. At the bottom, there is a 'Contact us' link and social media icons for GitLab, LinkedIn, Twitter, and Youtube. A footer contains the European Union flag and funding information: 'The European Language Grid has received funding from the European Union's Horizon 2020 research and innovation programme under grant agreement № 825627. The European Language Equality project has received funding from the European Union under grant agreement № LC-01641480 - 101018166.'

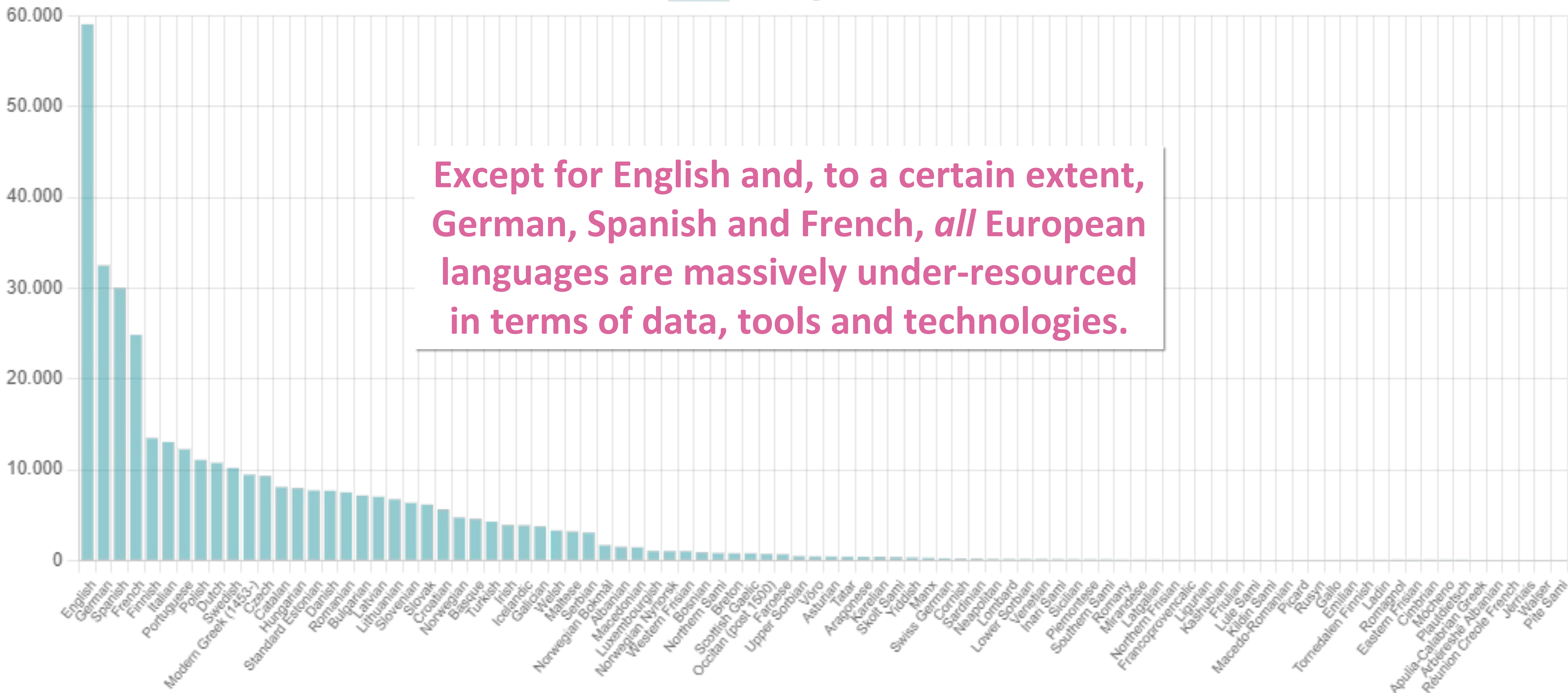
Language resources and technologies

- Corpora and lexical resources are the most numerous resource types, across all languages
- All languages seem to be better supported with translation technologies and text processing tools among all tools and services functions
- The least populated technologies are HCI, NLG and image/video processing



DLE metric – technological scores

Technological factors

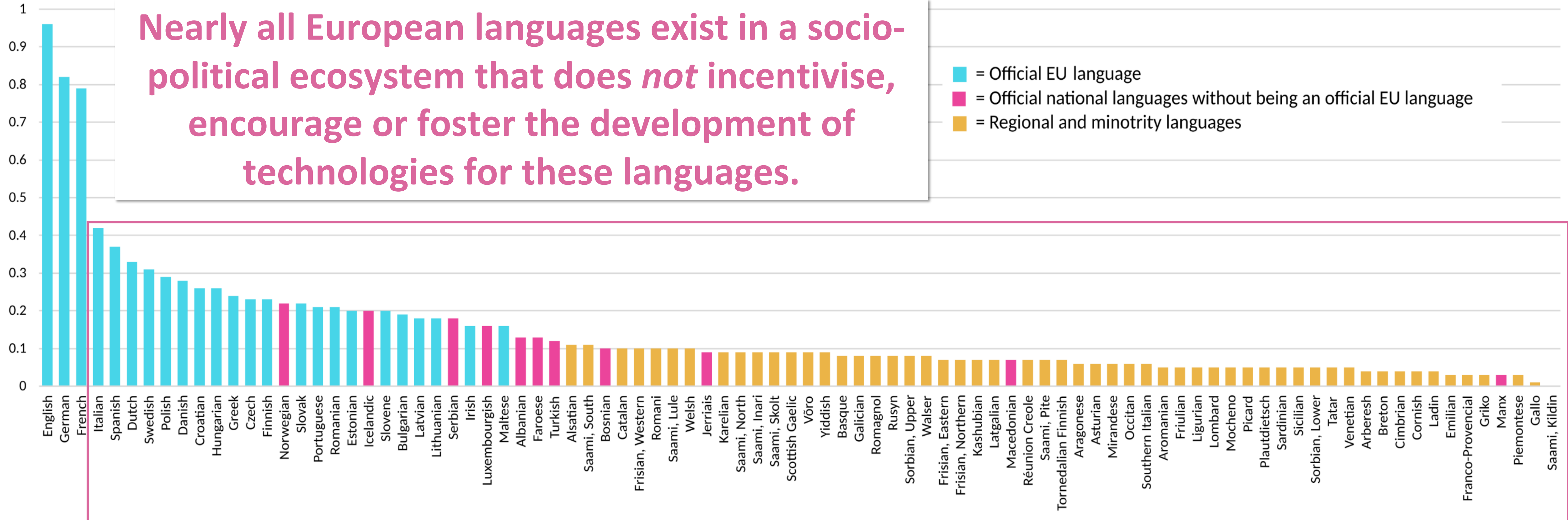


Except for English and, to a certain extent, German, Spanish and French, *all* European languages are massively under-resourced in terms of data, tools and technologies.

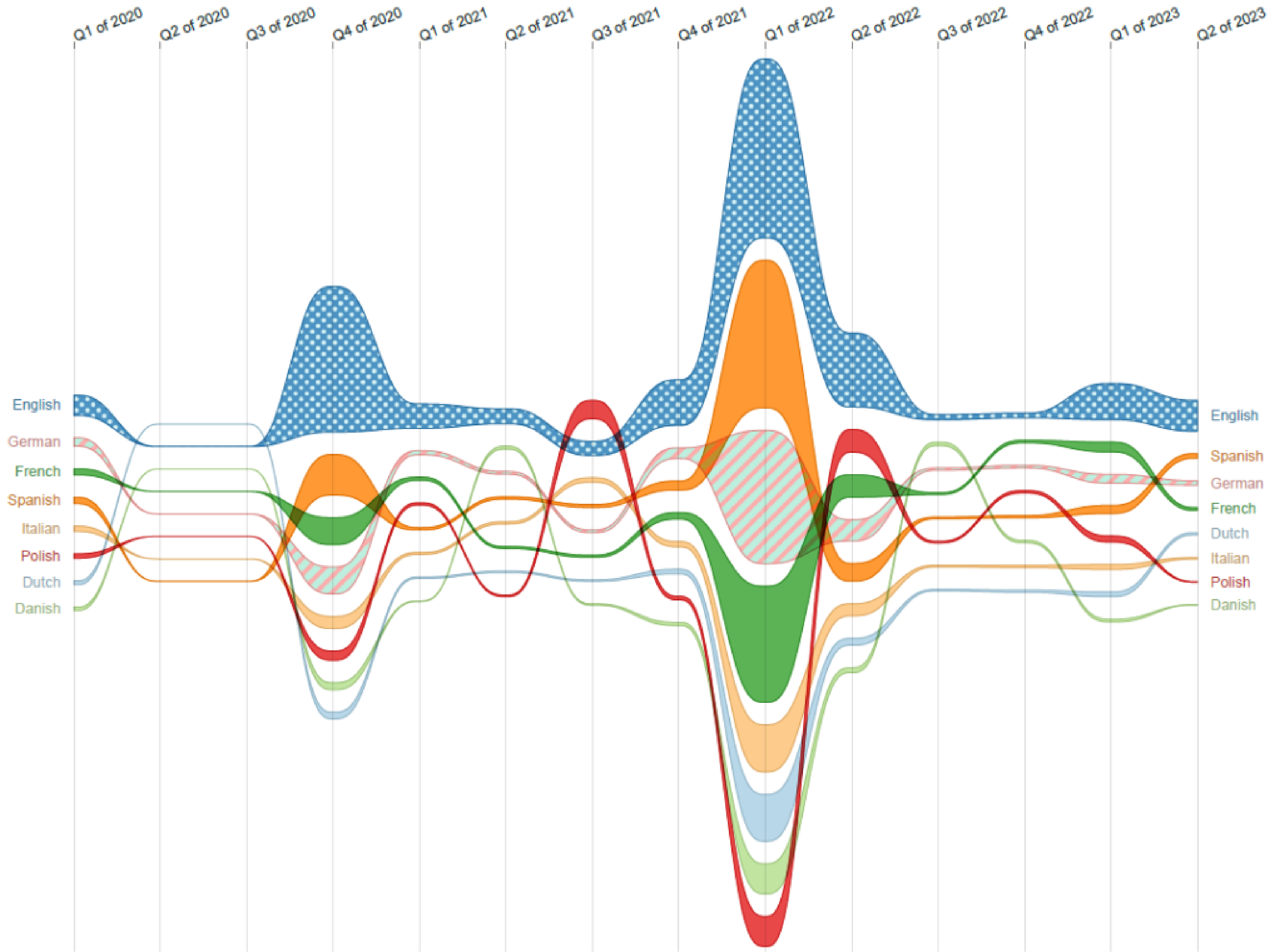
DLE metric – contextual scores

Nearly all European languages exist in a socio-political ecosystem that does *not* incentivise, encourage or foster the development of technologies for these languages.

- = Official EU language
- = Official national languages without being an official EU language
- = Regional and minority languages

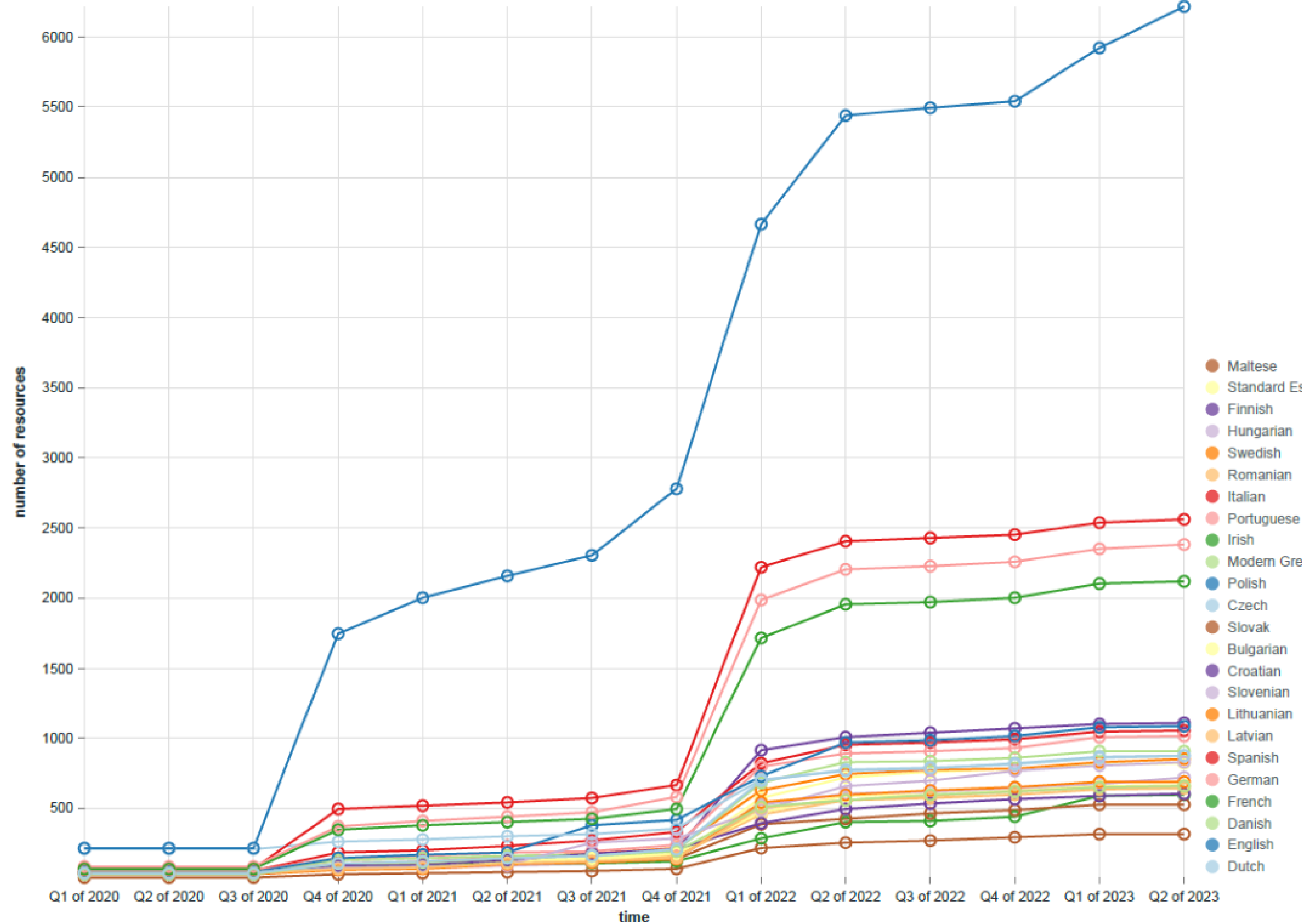


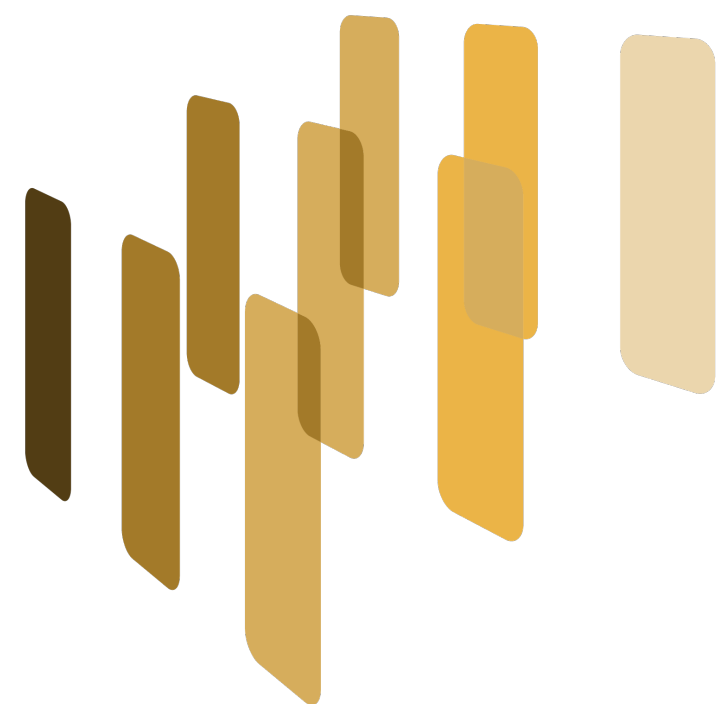
Evolution over time (1/2)



Evolution over time (2/2)

- All languages are progressing
- English shows steeper progress in Q1-Q2 2023
- Distance has increased





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Thank you!



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