



LIWP - EU language industry web platform

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Web platform

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List of partners
Stakeholders and companies of the language industry

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Summary

The Language Industry Web Platform is an interactive website which houses a shared repository of information on all subsectors of the European language industry (translation, interpreting, subtitling and dubbing, software localisation and website globalisation, language technology tools development, international conference organisation, language teaching and linguistic consultancy). It was launched by the European Commission's Directorate General for Translation (DGT) in November 2010.

The web platform is managed and financed by the DGT. Its aim is to gather and make available relevant material and contributions, promote synergies and exchanges, and raise awareness about the output and potential of this sector. In the long run, this should make a modification of the international statistical classification system (NACE) possible, thus contributing to a full recognition of this sector.

Users can search the repository, download documents that interest them and provide feedback on the documents they have used. They can also contribute to the repository by adding relevant documents of their own or by taking part in regular market surveys hosted by the platform.

Most documents in the repository contain statistical information about earnings, turnover and the size and number of businesses in the language industry, but also other material including survey results, reports, press releases, studies and advice leaflets.

The web platform's user interface and questionnaire are available in English only. However, the repository contains documents in a number of languages and submissions to the repository are accepted in any EU official language.