



European Language Resource Coordination

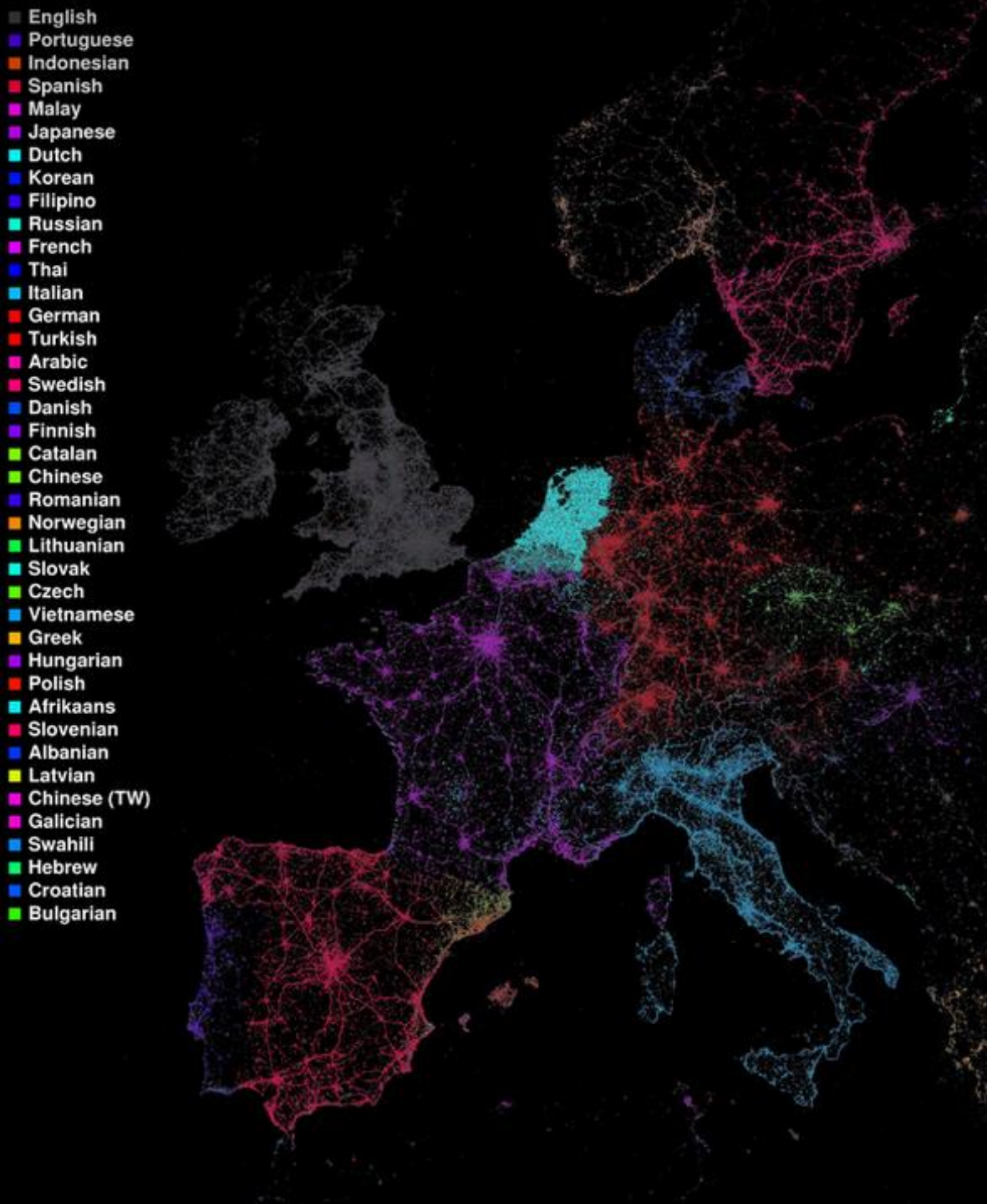
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European Language
Resource Coordination
Connecting Europe Facility





Twitter map
on the
**Language
borders**
in Europe

1.1B EUR

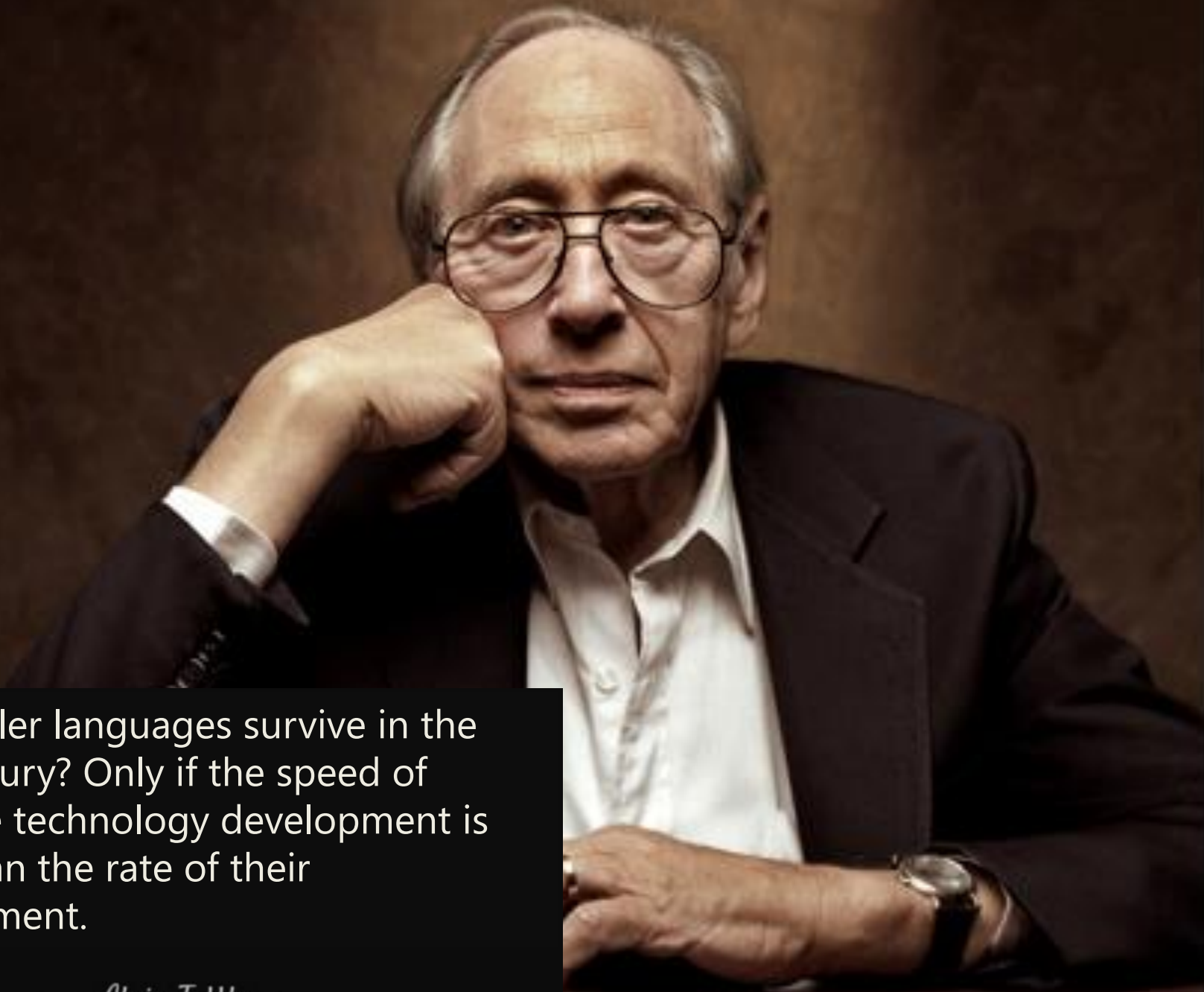
Central European institutions spend per annum on translation services





The Second Gutenberg Effect

Languages that will
not be used in the
modern
technologies are
going to face digital
extinction

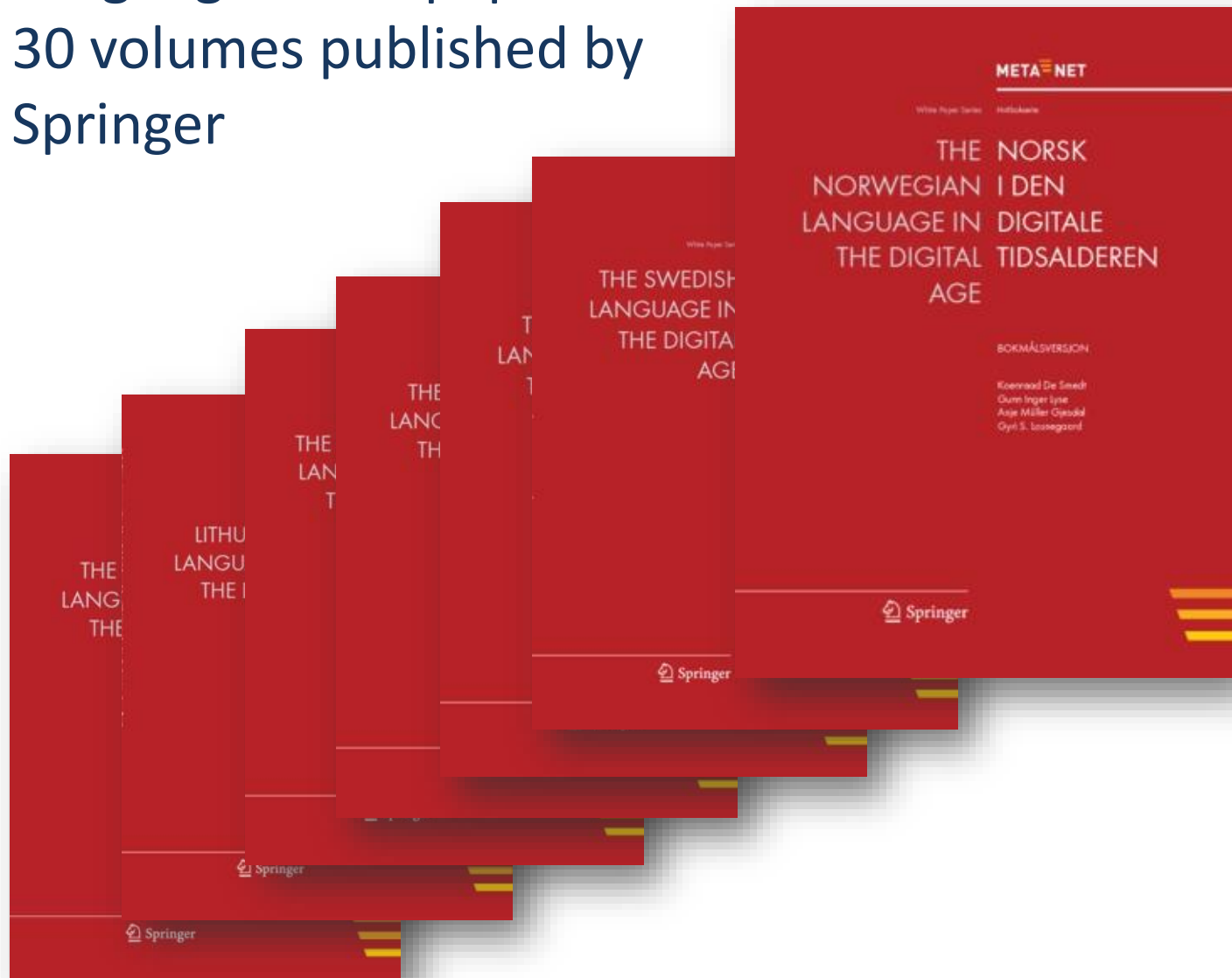


Will smaller languages survive in the 21st century? Only if the speed of language technology development is faster than the rate of their diminishment.

— Alvin Toffler —

Language Whitepaper Series: 30 volumes published by Springer

META NET



Downloadable <http://www.meta-net.eu/whitepapers/overview>

Machine Translation support for European languages

Excellent support	Good support	Moderate support	Fragmentary support	Weak/no support
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> English 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> French Spanish 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Catalan Dutch German Hungarian Italian Polish Romanian 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Basque Bulgarian Croatian Czech Danish Estonian Finnish Galician Greek Icelandic Irish Latvian Lithuanian Maltese Norwegian (Bokmål, Nynorsk) Portuguese Serbian Slovak Slovene Swedish Welsh

Downloadable at <http://www.meta-net.eu/whitepapers/key-results-and-cross-language-comparison>



- Automated Translation at EC for many years ...
- Machine Translation at EC: MT@EC
- New [CEF Automated Translation](#) is special
 - Focus on public services, administrations, ministries, Pan-European digital services ...
 - CEF.AT is free for public administrations
- [Your data is needed](#) to make CEF Automated Translation better for you and for everybody

European Language Resource Coordination (ELRC) Objective



To establish a permanent **Language Resource Coordination** mechanism

that will feed the CEF Automated Translation DSI with relevant **Language Resources**

in **all official languages** of the EU and CEF Associated countries

in order to **improve the quality**, coverage and performance of automated translation systems and solutions

in the context of current and future **CEF digital services**.



ELRC Consortium Partners



German Centre for
Artificial Intelligence



Institute for Language and
Speech Processing



Tilde



European Language Distribution Agency



European Language Resource Coordination (ELRC) is a tender operating under the EU's Connecting Europe Facility SMART 2014/1074 programme.



Tilde @ ELRC Consortium



- A leading European developer of [language technologies](#) and provider of [language services](#)
- 130 employees in [Tallinn](#), [Riga](#) and [Vilnius](#) offices
- [Cooperation](#) with leading European universities and research centers
- Key player in the major European industry and research associations [META-NET](#), [ELRA](#), [LT-Innovate](#), [BDVA](#)
- Coordinator and participant in large scale [EU H2020](#) and FP projects



ELRC Main Activities



- LR Coordination **Workshops** in all CEF countries
- Annual LR Coordination **conferences**
- Setting up a network of **National Anchor Points** and Language Resource Board
- Promote **best practice** cases:
 - e.g. language technology application for public services in the Baltic States
- Technical **Helpdesk**
- Advisory and **consultancy** service in the area of LRs for MT
- **Resource** identification and collection



First ELRC Conference at the Riga Summit on the Multilingual DSM 29.04.2015

<http://rigasummit2015.eu>



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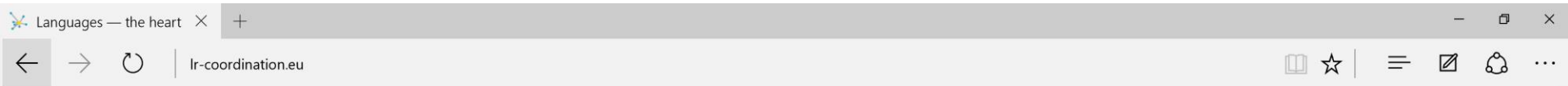
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CEF - Towards a Connected Multilingual Europe

The [CEF](#) conference "Towards a Connected Multilingual Europe" will be held on Day Three of the Riga Summit. [Pan-European digital service infrastructures \(DSIs\)](#) foreseen in the CEF programme will deliver online public services for EU Member State administrations, citizens and economic operators. [Automated Translation \(AT\)](#) is one of the DSIs, and will provide automated translation services to all other CEF DSIs that necessitate multilingual communication or exchange of documents and other linguistic content between administrations, citizens and economic operators.

ELRC Portal: www.lr-coordination.eu

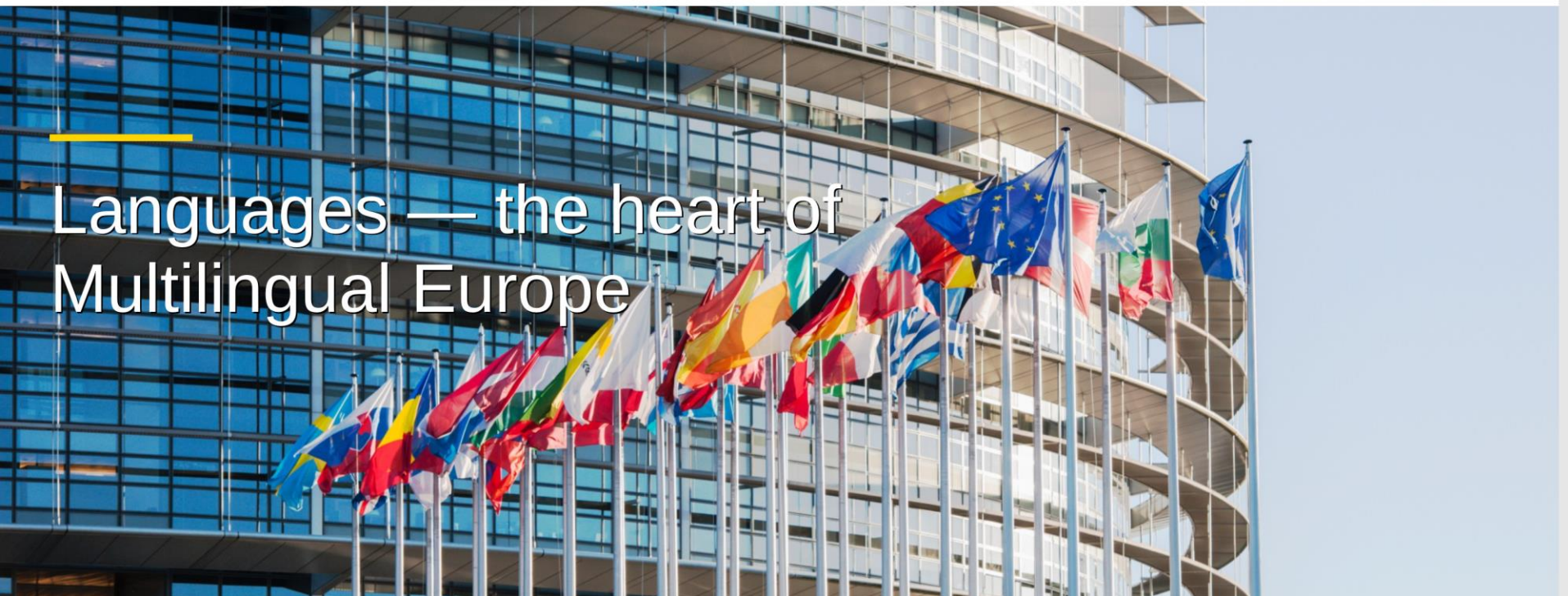


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European Language
Resource Coordination



Languages — the heart of
Multilingual Europe





- Raise awareness
 - on the **value and importance of data** held by public services in overcoming language barriers
- Engage **you and your institutions**
 - in the **identification** and sharing of data for CEF.AT
- Help with **legal** and **technical** issues
 - associated with the collection and/or provision of data by public service administrations
- **Share data** for the best results for your needs and your language
 - with Vigdis Center and European Commission
 - Open data to strengthen Icelandic language in the Digital age
- **Promote CEF.AT** services that can be useful for you

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Supporting Icelandic language is supporting Europe,
Supporting Europe is supporting Icelandic language

