



THE CEF AUTOMATED TRANSLATION PLATFORM

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A BIT OF HISTORY

MT@EC

- Legalese
- Statistical MT

eTranslation

- Neural MT
- Domain adaptation
- Integration with online public services

CEF.AT

- More LT tools, not just translation
- Supporting actions for data collection – ELRC
- Supporting funded projects





Who's IT FOR?





ONE SYSTEM — TWO AUDIENCES

- CEF Digital Service Infrastructures
- Pan-European digital public services
- Public administrations in Member States, Iceland and Norway
- SMEs



- Translators and staff of the EU Institutions
- Digital services of the EU Institutions

DGT eTranslation







WHAT CAN I DO WITH ETRANSLATION?





ONE SYSTEM — TWO USE SCENARIOS

- Automatically translate your texts for review by translators
- Rough translations to get the gist

Web interface for humans



 Integrate in workflows, websites, digital services, etc.

Machine-to-machine service (API)





Integrate
eTranslation directly
into your digital
services



Request machine translations for text snippets or documents on demand





Translations to and from any of the 24 EU official languages, Icelandic and Norwegian



Translate documents in various formats (doc, pdf, odt, xlsx, html etc.)







eTranslation now available for Russian, Mandarin, Japanese and Turkish!

And more non-EU languages to come...





DOMAINS COVERAGE

- EU formal language
- General text
- Court of Justice Case Law
- Cultural
- Deutsche Bundesbank
- IP Case Law
- Ministère des Finances (France)
- Public Health
- Technical Regulation Information Systems
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WHAT ABOUT THE TRANSLATION QUALITY?





WHAT WORKS BEST

Texts related to EU policies





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....because eTranslation is built using translated EU documents and it reuses them



Energy 2020 A strategy for competitive, sustainable and secure energy

Energie 2020 Een strategie voor een concurrerende, duurzame en continu geleverde energie

INTRODUCTION

The price of failure is too high.

Energy is the life blood of our society. The well-being of our people, industry and economy depends on safe, secure, sustainable and affordable energy. At the same time, energy related emissions account for almost 80% of the EU's total greenhouse gas emissions. The energy challenge is thus one of the greatest tests which Europe has to face. It will take decades to steer our energy systems onto a more secure and sustainable path. Yet the decisions to set us on the right path are needed urgently as failing to achieve a well-functioning European energy market will only increase the costs for consumers and put Europe's competitiveness at risk.

INLEIDING

Falen is geen optie - de prijs is te hoog

Energie is de levensader van onze samenleving. Het welzijn van onze bevolking, industrie en economie hangt af van een veilige, continu geleverde, duurzame en betaalbare energievoorziening. Tezelfdertijd zijn energiegerelateerde emissies goed voor bijna 80% van de totale uitstoot van broeikasgassen in de EU. Het energieprobleem vormt een van de grootste actuele uitdagingen voor Europa. Het zal decennia duren om onze energiesystemen een meer veilige en duurzame richting uit te sturen. Maar de beslissingen die ons op de goede weg moeten brengen, moeten vandaag al worden genomen. Als we er niet in slagen een goed functionerende Europese energiemarkt tot stand te brengen, zal dit de kosten voor de consument doen oplopen en het concurrentievermogen van Europa in het gedrang brengen.





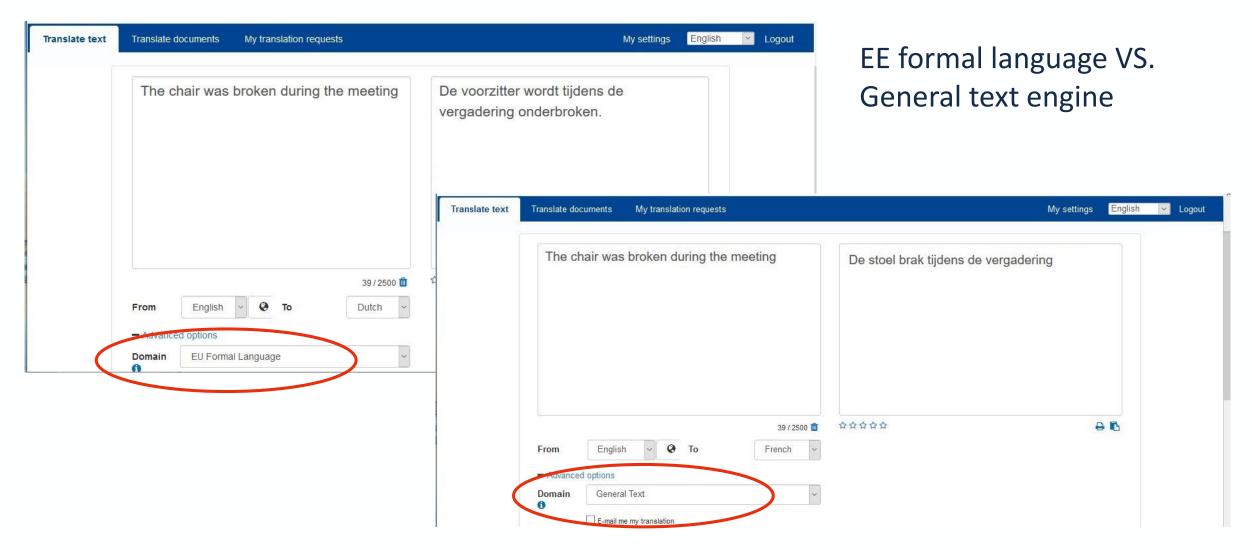
WHAT WORKS LESS WELL

- Non-standard, new or creative text
- Single words or expressions
- Anything that depends on context





AN EXAMPLE: ETRANSLATION ON NON-STANDARD TEXT







WHAT'S COMING?





 extending domain coverage (e.g. scientific texts; social media)



- extending language coverage (non-EU languages of social & economic importance, regional languages)
- additional language technologies
 - anonymization
 - basic CAT tool
 - (named-entity recognition)
 - (speech-to-text)





| Connecting Europe Language Tools https://language-tools.ec.europa.eu/ | | | |
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| eTranslation | Multilingual Tweet | Speech-to-Text | Named-entity Recognition |
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| Interactive Terminology for Europe | European Language Resource Coordination (ELRC) | Catalogue of services | CEF Building Block Information |
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How to register?







- Eligible individual users
 - Public Administrations
 - Universities
 - CEF-funded projects
 - SMEs (upon validation)







- Eligible individual users
 - Self-registration via <u>https://webgate.ec.europa.eu/etranslation/public/welcome.html</u>

- Web service (API) integration
 - Technical documentation: <u>https://ec.europa.eu/cefdigital/wiki/display/CEFDIGITAL/How+to+submit+a+translation+request+via+the+CEF+eTranslation+webservice</u>
 - Contact the eTranslation **Service Desk** for credentials (and other support): help@cefat-tools-services.eu





- Questions asked:
- 1) Can CEF eTranslation also be used through API so that it can be integrated in other applications, e.g. a chatbot of the Dutch councils.
- 2) With regard to machine translation, to what extent can we rely on the correct translation and therefore correct output?
- 3) How is the output of the CEF Tools tested?
- 4) When is translation with AI desirable, when not and which disclaimer is appropriate?
- 5) Security
- 6) Mp3 format





GIVE IT A TRY!

HTTPS://LANGUAGE-TOOLS.EC.EUROPA.EU





DANK U VOOR UW AANDACHT!

