

EUROPEAN LANGUAGE DATA SPACE



Common European Language Data Space The LDS Workshop in Malta



Context: Language Technologies, Artificial Intelligence and (Large) **Language Models**

- Language Technologies (LT) and Artificial Intelligence (AI) need language data
- Large Language Models (LLMs) now lead the AI race, needing vast amounts of language data to train them
- Europe's languages are largely under-resourced, except English
- A concerted effort for the collection of enormous amounts of language data for all European languages is very much needed



The Common European Language Data Space (LDS)

- The LDS builds upon but goes far beyond initiatives like the European Language Resource Coordination (ELRC) and the European Language Grid (ELG), also focusing on making language data available
- Data Spaces are an inherent part of the EU Data Strategy
- The Common European Language Data Space is one of the approx. 20 official EU data space projects: strong focus on industry
- The LDS contributes to establish the European data market:
 - supporting European private and public Language Technology players and Language Data providers
 - Focusing on data sharing and monetising







Workshop Programme

09:00 - 09:30	Registration and Coffee
09:30 – 09:35	Welcome and Introduction Michael Rosner, University of Malta
09:35 – 09:50	Opening Address Matthew Montebello, University of Malta
09:50 – 10:20	The Alliance for Language Technology EDIC and the Common European Language Data Space Dhafer Lahbib, European Commission DG CONNECT - Communications Networks, Content and Technology
10:20 – 10:50	European Language Data Space: developing a market for language data and services and benefiting from a joint European effort Khalid Choukri, ELDA, LDS Consortium
10:50 – 11:20	LDS Demonstration Penny Labropoulou (ILSP, Athens)
11:20 - 11:35	Coffee Break



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11:35 – 11:50	Language Data and Language Technologies Research in Malta Claudia Borg, University of Malta
11:50 – 12:10	No Data, No Intelligence How Al Leadership Begins With the Right Data Story Gege Gatt, CEO, EBO.AI
12:10 – 13:00	The Language Data Storyline - Production, Management, and Market Development: Overcoming Obstacles - Panel session Donatienne Spiteri, Office of the State Advocate (Moderator) Bertrand Borg, Times of Malta Maria Ylenia Farrugia, MDIA Donald Mangion, OPM Christian Tabone, Senior Technical Architect, ICT Solutions David Schembri, Language Officer, EC Representation in Malta
13:00 – 13:15	Closing session Khalid Choukri, ELDA, LDS Consortium
13:15 – 14:00	Lunch Break and Networking







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Thank you and enjoy the workshop!



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