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The [European Language Equality](#) (ELE) project, aiming to achieve digital language equality in Europe by 2030, has 52 partners and ECSPM is one of them. Our basic task has been to investigate what language technology tools and applications are available/missing for 8 European regional and minority languages and for 4 non-EU national languages spoken as heritage languages in EU Member States. The project deliverables can be accessed [here](#). They include an ELE book publication, to be completed by end June 2022, when the first phase of the project is finished. Those interested on updates are welcome to subscribe to the [ELE Newsletter](#).



An Events Bulletin, sent to members, partners and friends regularly is a new service, courtesy of the ECSPM. Interested parties can find the issues on our NEWS webpage, [here](#).



We hope to welcome soon two new members into ECSPM and especially into the CURUM alliance. They are the following:

- 1) "Bilingualism Matters", a not-for-profit organisation with 30 branches around the world, soon to open more in Australia, Italy and California.
- 2) the Consortium for Language Policy and Planning (CLPP) which is housed at UMBC in the USA.

Our 2022 SYMPOSIUM

LANGUAGE(S) AND THE CONSTRUCTION OF KNOWLEDGE IN EUROPEAN HIGHER EDUCATION

Our symposium was hosted by the "Centre of Excellence – Permanent Linguistic Observatory for Italian abroad and immigrant languages" of the Università per Stranieri di Siena, Italy, and we are thankful for their gracious online hospitality. The event was attended by approximately 200 academics and young scholars, mainly from Europe but also from parts of the world that our international speakers came from: Australia, China and the Americas.

The working language of the symposium was English, but Italian and French were also used by some of our speakers, while ECSPM had also been granted access to the automatic live speech transcription and translation into 42 European languages developed in the framework of ELITR, a Horizon 2020 funded project.

The detailed programme of the event is available in the Symposium Pamphlet, which also contains information about the speakers and abstracts of their presentations. The PPTs of speakers can be accessed from our symposium webpage, [here](#).

As a follow up of the 2021 Symposium on "Multilingualism in Higher Education in Europe", the 2022 event focused on: (a) explicit and implicit policies of HE institutions, (b) multilingualism, academic literacies and the linguistic construction of academic knowledge in universities. Selected papers from the two symposia will be published by Bloomsbury Academic in two edited volumes.



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