

META FORUM 2016

META-NET Today and Tomorrow

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❑ **META-NET**

- Working within and for the Cracking the Language Barrier Federation
- Bringing more people and organizations together

❑ **META-FORUM 2016** and beyond

- Discuss strategic issues
- Get ideas for SRIA 1.0

❑ **Looking forward**

- (Finally) bring LT to the masses ... and Crack the Language Barrier

- “Founded” in 2010 by the FP7 *T4ME*, now supported by *CRACKER*
 - 60 members with voting rights from 34 countries
 - Executive Board (14), Chair, 2 Deputy Chairs, Honorary Chair, Gen. Secretary
 - META: Multilingual Europe Technology Alliance with “free” membership
 - 831 members from 67 countries
- Goal(s)
 - Bring together the LT community: researchers, businesses, public administrations, other stakeholders
 - Now: fostering the ***Cracking the Language Barrier Federation***
 - To have vision for the LT community: Strategic Research (and Innovation) Agenda(s)

Strategic Research and Innovation Agenda

Language as a Data Type and Key Challenge for Big Data

Enabling the Multilingual Digital Single Market
through technologies for translating, analysing, processing
and curating natural language content

SRIA Editorial Team

Version 0.9 – July 2016



**Cracking the
Language Barrier**

Towards SRIA 1.0

- ❑ Several of you involved (and many in the previous versions)
- ❑ We need:
 - honing the existing ideas, perfecting it, anything grossly missing?
- ❑ *It's you who can give us this feedback and suggestions*
- ❑ Goal:
 - Coherent, clear, understandable, comprehensive text
 - Not only for researchers, not only for business, not only for the EC
 - Not missing anything important, V1.0 a bit more technical than V0.9
- ❑ Might help to get more direct funding
- ❑ Aligned with the BDVA Strategic Research and Innovation Agenda

Looking Forward

- ❑ SRIA is the most important task
 - With the editorial team / Cracking the Language Barrier Federation
- ❑ Improve conditions for major research breakthroughs
 - No secret: LT is not perfect, sometimes far from that
 - Balance research / innovation funding
- ❑ Help technology transfer (to industry, services, public sector)
- ❑ Parallel track: update of the META-NET SRA
- ❑ Long(er)-term vision:
 - *What will be the world like when we finally “crack the language barrier”?*
 - Together with speech and other neighboring communities: multimodality – speech, image, video, haptics, ...; Artificial Intelligence



Let's...

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COME TOGETHER!

...enjoy META-FORUM 2016!

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