ELRC Workshop in Romania

Legal Framework for Contributing Data

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Overview of the session

• The PSI Directive and Romanian rules on PSI
• Understanding the legal framework
• (Some) Clearing Tips
• Examples from ELRC experience
The Directive on the re-use of public sector information provides a harmonized legal framework for re-use of documents held by public bodies (public sector information).

The Directive covers written texts, databases, audiovisual materials etc.; it does not apply to the education, scientific, cultural and broadcasting sectors.

Transposition of the PSI Directive in Romania

• Lege Nr. 109 din 25 aprilie 2007 privind reutilizarea informațiilor din instituțiile publice
  • amended by Legea nr. 213/2008 and Legea nr. 299/2015

• Lege nr. 544/2001 privind liberul acces la informațiile de interes public

• Art. 9(b) of the Romanian Copyright Act
The structure of the legal framework
The structure of the legal framework
What are the stages for releasing my data?

Releasing data under the PSI Directive is simple and easy

Just follow these stages

[Red circle] [Purple circle] [Blue circle] [Green circle]
What are the stages for releasing my data?

Exclude confidential information
What are the stages for releasing my data?

Obtain prior informed consent, find a legal basis, anonymize or exclude personal data
What are the stages for releasing my data?

Ensure there is no 3rd party copyright, that the material is in the Public Domain or that the necessary licences have been obtained.
What are the stages for releasing my data?

Follow the national PSI transposition rules (e.g. use the national Open Government Licences or the standard procedure for releasing PSI)
Dual Thinking

You (almost) always play two roles:

- Resource Provider
- Resource User

Rights Out / Rights In
Dual Thinking

Resource Provider role:

Resource Provider

Rights Out
Some Clearance Tips (PSI)

• Apply the PSI regulation

• Follow the General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) (Regulation (EU) 2016/679)

• Avoid personal data or seek for a legal basis

• Do not infringe on third party’s copyright
Relations with your subcontractors

• When outsourcing your language data production, in particular outsourcing the translation work to a translator or an LSP:
  • Make sure that you keep the right to freely re-use the translation and share it with third parties (translations are protected by copyright so if there is no copyright transfer from the translator/LSP you may not be able to re-use the translations).
• Outcome of the contract:
  • translated documents (in your preferred format: .doc, .pdf, etc.);
  • translation memories in reusable formats (e.g. TMX);
  • terminological data.
Dual Thinking

If you need to re-use some of the existing Language Resources

Rights In

Resource User
Some Usability Tips (IPR)

• Check first the ELRC repository
  • Many administrative services from other MS are contributing data that is similar to yours and may be of interest to you

• Check other data centers that may have useful and IPR cleared resources for you (ELRA, METASHARE, etc.)

• Avoid web crawling as you don’t know what the rights are

• Ask ELRC legal helpdesk if you need some IPR clearing for specific resources
Some examples of licensed ELRC resources (I)

**Description**: Greek laws, ratification of International Conventions against corruption and relevant matters. National Anti-Corruption Plan (General Secretariat for Transparency and Human Rights).

**Size**: 173,536 words

**Provider and IPR holder**: Ministry of Justice, Transparency and Human Rights of the Hellenic Republic

**Licence**: CC-BY → Anyone can reuse the resource.  
→ Reusers must give credit to the Ministry.
Some examples of licensed ELRC resources (II)

**Translation memories from The Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Norway**

**Description**: Parallel corpus of translations of EU legislative acts from English to Norwegian Bokmål.

**Size**: 733,081 Translation Units

**IPR holder**: Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Norway

**Licence**: CC-BY

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Some examples of licensed ELRC resources (IV)

**Health Multilingual Terminologies**

Description: 17 multilingual medical terminologies covering the domains of Anatomy, Integrated care, Pathophysiology, Chronicity and Physiotherapy.

Size: ~16,000 terms

IPR holder: TERMCAT, the centre for terminology in the Catalan language

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Questions?

Ask our legal experts during the break!
Thank you for your attention!