



# LIT Search

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Pilot Project for an EU Database of  
Legal Interpreters and Translators

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Directorate General Justice



# Technical details

- Duration of the project: 01.03.2014 - 29.02.2016
- Coordinator

KU Leuven, Faculty of Arts – Campus Sint-Andries  
Antwerpen

European Legal Interpreters and Translators Association  
(EULITA)



# Co-beneficiaries

Association of Interpreters and Translators (AIT), Bulgaria

Association of Police and Court Interpreters (APCI), United Kingdom

Asociación Profesional de Traductores e Intérpretes Judiciales y Jurados (APTIJ), Spain

Bundesministerium für Justiz/Federal Ministry of Justice (BMJ), Austria

InterConnect A/S, Denmark

Komora soudních tlumocníků České republiky/Chamber of Court-Appointed Interpreters of the Czech Republic, Czech Republic

Ministry of Justice of Bulgaria, Bulgaria

Ministry of Justice of the Czech Republic, Czech Republic



# Co-beneficiaries

Nederlandse Beroepsvereniging Tolken Gebarentaal/Dutch Association of Sign Language Interpreters (NBTG), Netherlands

National Register of Public Service Interpreters (NRPSI), United Kingdom

Österreichischer Verband der allgemein beeideten und gerichtlich zertifizierten Dolmetscher (ÖVGD), Austria

Polskie Towarzystwo Tłumaczy Przysięgłych I Specjalistycznych/Polish Society of Sworn and Specialized Translators (TEPIS), Poland

Raad voor Rechtsbijstand, Bureau Wbtv/Bureau Legal Aid Board, Sworn Interpreters and Translators (Wbtv), Netherlands



# Project Summary

- LIT Search aims at making cross-border access to legal interpreters and/or translators easier and faster
- Police officers, judges, prosecutors, and lawyers, as well as EU and other citizens, who may become involved in criminal proceedings as defendants or witnesses, will benefit from an EU wide access to legal interpreters and/or translators
- Through the e-Justice portal, the LIT Search data base of legal interpreters and/or translators will automatically collect and match data from several national and/or regional registers/databases and display the information according to pre-selected search criteria



# Activities

- In the course of the pilot project several research sub-projects (= workstreams) such as, for example, a study on current admission criteria to registers of legal interpreters and translators in EU member states, as well as admission procedures, register management, etc. are being conducted
- In particular, the consortium partners describe their respective national systems governing legal interpreting and translation



# Activities

- The outcome of the research and the input from the presentations held at the project's progress meetings will serve to further develop a model template to assist other countries that may want to link up to the “LIT Search” database at a later stage
- The final conference of the LIT Search project has been scheduled for 9 and 10 November 2015. It will be hosted by the project coordinator, KU Leuven, in Antwerp. On that occasion the pilot database will be demonstrated
- The language of the conference is English



# LIT Search Final Conference

*Link:* <https://www.arts.kuleuven.be/litsearch>

*Date:* 9 and 10 November 2015

*Venue:* [KU Leuven, Faculty of Arts – Campus Antwerpen, Sint Andriesstraat 2, 2000 Antwerp](#)





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