



ALT-EDIC FORUM 2026



WEDNESDAY, 17 JUNE



CHÂTEAU DE VILLERS-COTTERÊTS

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Welcome words

Paul Rondin

Director

Cité internationale de la langue française

Introduction to the Forum

Edouard Geoffrois
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ALT-EDIC

Alliance for Language Technologies (ALT-EDIC) – Annual event 2026

Cité internationale de la langue française (Château de Villers-Cotterêts) – Auditorium

Monday 15 June 2026

ALT-EDIC4EU meeting

12:30	Registration and lunch
14:00	ALT-EDIC4EU
16:00	Coffee break
16:30	ALT-EDIC4EU
18:30	Break
19:00	Dinner
21:00	End of day

Tuesday 16 June 2026

LLMs4EU meeting

08:30	Registration and welcome coffee
10:00	LLMs4EU
11:00	Coffee break
11:30	LLMs4EU
12:30	Lunch
14:00	LLMs4EU
16:00	Coffee break
16:30	LLMs4EU
18:30	Break
19:00	Dinner
21:00	End of day

Wednesday 17 June 2026

ALT-EDIC Forum

08:30	Registration and welcome coffee
10:00	Introduction
10:30	Projects
11:20	Coffee break
11:50	Infrastructures
13:00	Lunch
14:30	Policies
16:30	Coffee break
17:00	LT & culture
18:00	Reception
20:00	End of day

Thursday 18 June 2026

ALT-EDIC AoM meeting

08:30	Registration and welcome coffee
09:00	AoM
11:00	Coffee break
11:30	AoM
13:00	Lunch
14:30	End of event

- Participants:
- ALT-EDIC4EU partners + SB
 - LLMs4EU partners + LLMs4EU invitees
 - All + invited participants
 - Assembly of Members

ALT-EDIC Forum – Morning (1/2)

10:00	Introduction	Welcome words – Paul Rondin, Director of the Cité internationale de la langue française
10:05		Introduction to the Forum and update on ALT-EDIC activities – Edouard Geoffrois, ALT-EDIC Director
10:20	Projects	EuroLLM and Beyond: Multilingual and Multimodal Foundations Models for Europe – André Martins, SARDINE lab
10:30		The OpenEuroLLM foundation models – Jan Hajič, Charles University
10:40		Fine-tuning and evaluation of large language models under the LLMs4EU project – Jose Manuel Gomez, Expert AI & María Velasco, ALT-EDIC
10:50		Supporting startups and incubators under the LLM-BRIDGE project – Alice Hříbalová, ALT-EDIC
11:00		GenAI4EU Central Hub: The European Hub for European Generative AI – Gabriel Castañé, AI Data and Robotics Association (ADRA)
11:10		ELEXAI: A European Lexicographic Infrastructure for Artificial Intelligence – Simon Krek, Jožef Stefan Institute (JSI)

ALT-EDIC Forum – Morning (2/2)

11:50	Infrastructures	Introduction to the session – María Velasco, ALT-EDIC
12:00		The CLARIN ERIC – Darja Fišer, CLARIN
12:10		The Big Data Value Association (BDVA) – Freek Bomhof, TNO
12:20		The European Language Data Space (LDS) – Philippe Gelin, European Commission
12:30		Towards a European LLM Arena – Simon Zilinskas, French Ministry of Culture & Edouard Geoffrois, ALT-EDIC
12:40		Benchmarking innovation in Spoken Language Translation (SLT): The strategic value of the IWSLT Infrastructure for Europe – Luisa Bentivogli, FBK
12:50		AI Factory France – Stéphane Requena, GENCI (online)

ALT-EDIC Forum – Afternoon (1/2)

14:30	Policies	Panel discussion on industry needs for LT infrastructures • Victoria Arranz, Chief Technology Officer, Euskorpora • Stefan Leijnen, International Lead, AI Coalition 4 NL • Volker Steinbiss, Managing Director, AppTek • Tom Vanallemeersch, Head of R&D, Crosslang
15:10		The EU strategy on language technologies – Philippe Gelin, European Commission
15:20		Presentations on national strategies • DK – Casper Blum Frohn, Agency for Digital Government • FI – Anne Miettinen, Traficom • FR – Raphaël Duqué, Ministry of Economics and Finance • IE – Brian Davis, ADAPT DCU • IS – Óttar Kolbeinsson Proppé, Almannarómur • NL – Corka Scheeringa, Ministry of Economic Affairs and Climate Policy • PL – Maciej Piasecki, Wrocław University of Science and Technology & Marek Kozłowski, National Information Processing Institute

ALT-EDIC Forum – Afternoon (2/2)

17:00	LT & Culture	Paul Petit, Deputy General Delegate for the French language and the languages of France, French Ministry of Culture
17:10		Panel discussion on LT & Culture • Lorena Aldana, Head of External Relations and Advocacy, Europeana • Deirdre Ní Choistín, Director General, TG4 • Isabelle Nyffenegger, Deputy Director, BNF
17:50	Conclusion	Thibault Grouas, ALT-EDIC chair & Juan Martinez Samalea, ALT-EDIC vice-chair

ALT-EDIC Forum – Reception

18:00	Reception
20:00	End of day

Update on ALT-EDIC activities

ALT-EDIC in a nutshell

A European Digital Infrastructure Consortium
that supports the **language technology** ecosystem and
contributes to preserve linguistic diversity and cultural richness

ALT-EDIC main actions



Federate and strengthen
the linguistic **data**
production



Contribute to the
development of **evaluation**,
certification and normalisation



Support the
development of large
language **models**

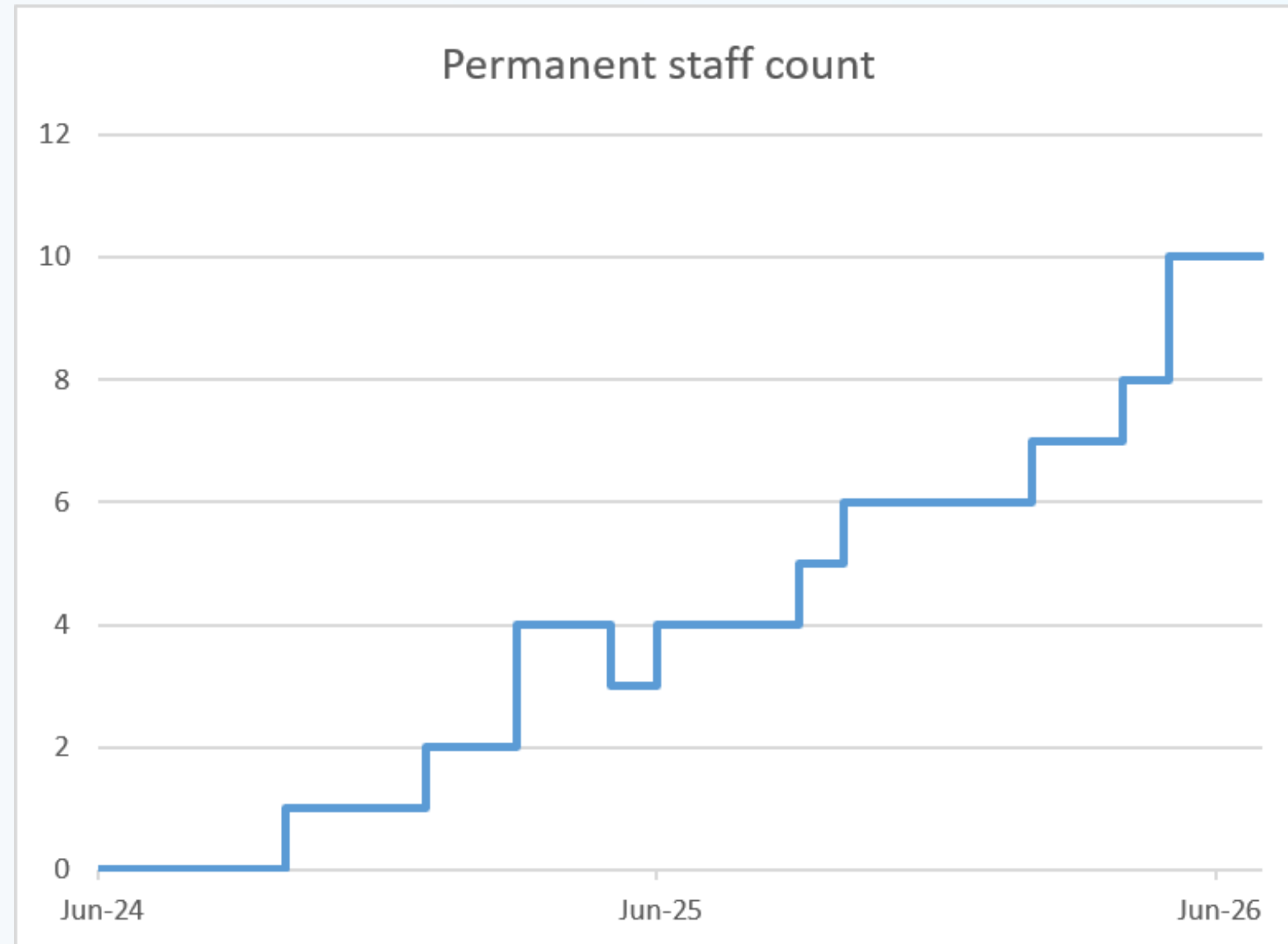


Facilitate the **adaptation**
of existing models to
user needs

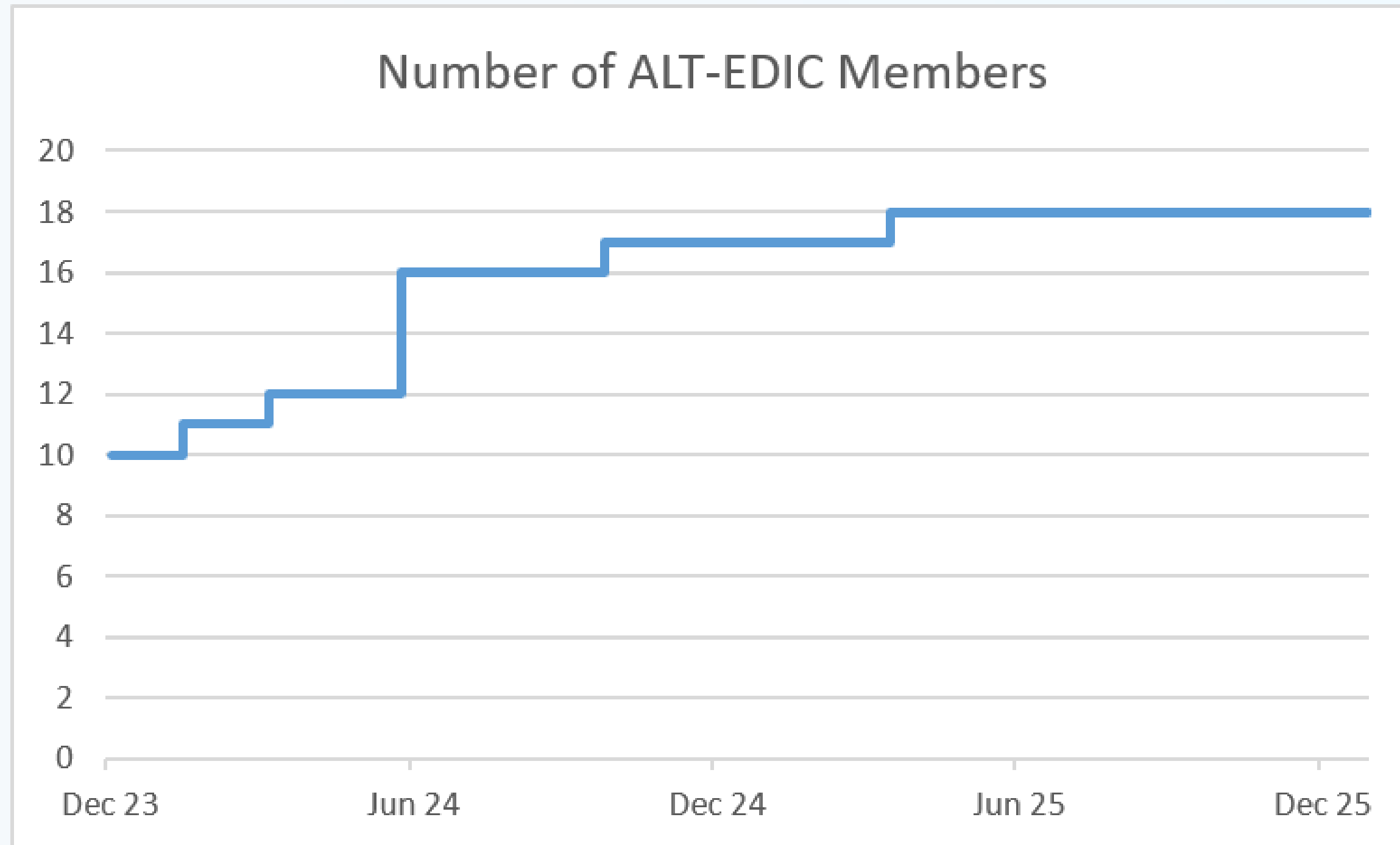


Provide **advice** to the LT
ecosystem, including the
administration and citizens

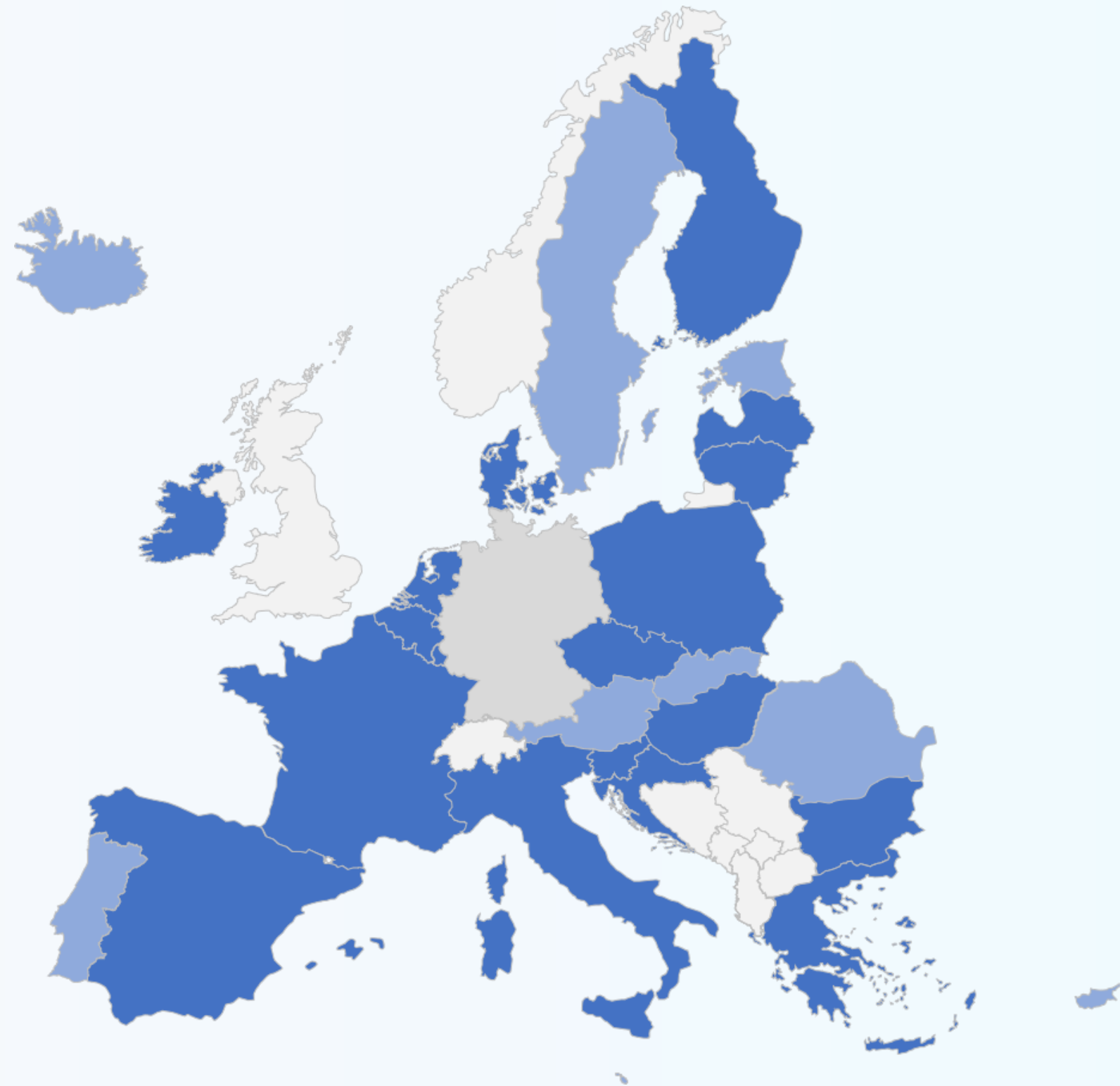
ALT-EDIC Team growth



ALT-EDIC Member growth



ALT-EDIC Members as of today



Ongoing projects



Fine-tune and evaluate models for 20+ use cases in 5 domains (science, public services, tourism, telecom, energy)



Develop the ALT-EDIC infrastructure

- Language Data Space
- European LLM Arena
- Landscape dynamic mapping tool



Develop European open-source foundation models



Support incubators and startup to develop innovative LLM solutions

First activity report

- Submitted to the Assembly of Members for approval tomorrow
- To be published on the ALT-EDIC web site



ALT-EDIC Industrial Consortium

- Open to **enterprises and business support organisations** with an interest in Language Technologies and established in the European Economic Area (EEA)
- **Provides guidance on Language Technologies (LT) development priorities** for the ALT-EDIC and elects representatives in the Strategic Orientation Committee, which shall adopt annual or multi-annual strategic orientations
- Offers a **forum to foster collaborations and to elaborate proposals for new projects** on LT, in particular projects involving shared data and comparative evaluations

<https://www.alt-edic.eu/industrial-consortium/>

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