

# Xcelerator Machine Translation licences technologies from DCU for its KantanMT Platform



**Xcelerator Machine Translation Solutions** is pleased to announce that it has signed a technology agreement with Dublin City University (DCU) and the Centre for Next Generation Localisation (CNGL) to license data analytics and visualisation technologies for its KantanMT.com machine translation platform. This is the first deliverable from the Commercialisation Fund Programme, supported by Enterprise Ireland and jointly developed by both companies.

*“KantanMT is a cloud-based MT platform for mid-sized localisation service providers”, said Tony O’Dowd, Founder and Chief Architect at Xcelerator Machine Translation Solutions, “our vision is to make Machine Translation simple to use for everyone. The technology licensed from DCU and CNGL will help our clients track the quality of their Machine Translation engines. This will help them improve their training material and positively influence the translations from their KantanMT engines.”*

*“We setup the Design & Innovation Lab (d.Lab) earlier this year to focus on data and visualisation technologies”, said Steve Gotz, Commercialisation Manager at CNGL, “and working with Xcelerator gave us a real-world platform to rapidly evaluate the commercial suitability of our research outputs and finely focus them on solving real and current industry problems.”*

## **What is CNGL?**

The Centre for Next Generation Localisation (CNGL) is a dynamic Academia-Industry partnership with over 100 researchers developing novel technologies addressing the key localisation challenges of volume, access and personalisation. The objective is to produce substantial advances in the basic and applied research underpinning the design, implementation and evaluation of the blueprints for the Next Generation Localisation Factory.

## **What is the Commercialisation Fund Programme?**

The aim of the Commercialisation Fund Programme is to improve the competitiveness of the Irish economy through the creation of technology based start-up companies and the transfer of innovative technologies developed in Higher Education Institutes and Research Performing Organisations to industry in Ireland. It is operated by Enterprise Ireland.

## **What is Xcelerator?**

Xcelerator Machine Translations Solution is a new start-up that is focusing on making Machine Translation easy to use, inexpensive to access and available to mid-sized LSPs that are eager to integrate MT into their client’s localisation workflows. We are targeting the growing numbers of small- to medium-sized language service providers (LSPs) that want to – or must – offer machine translation to their clients. Common Sense Advisory’s research on pricing shows that while a very small percentage of translation agencies use MT on every job, nearly a quarter of small LSPs, and more than half of medium-sized LSPs, will apply it if requested to do so by their. However, most providers don’t have the technical expertise to install an MT solution, train engines for their clients, and integrate it with their workflow. KantanMT aims to fill that gap.