

LIRICS addresses the needs of today's information and communication society where globalisation and localization necessitate multilingual communication creating an increasing need for new standardization as well as urgent recognition of existing de factostandards and their transformation into 'de jure' International Standards. LIRICS thus aims to:

- Provide ISO ratified standards for language technology to enable the exchange and reuse of multilingual language resources;
- Facilitate the implementation of these standards for end-users by providing an open-source implementation platform, related web services and test suites building on legacy formats, tools and data;
- Gain full industry support and input to the standards development via the Industry Advisory group and demonstration workshops
- Provide a pay-per-use business model for use by Industry and in particular SMEs validated during the project for the benefit of all actors in the content and language industries

Dear members of the LIRICS Industrial Advisory Board!

Since our last meeting last year in Barcelona, the LIRICS team has worked very hard on developing language engineering standards.

On the occasion of ISO/TC 37/SC 4 meetings that will be held in the second week in May in Paris, we would like to invite you to participate in the second meeting of the Industrial Advisory Board on the 10th of May on the premises of AFNOR (details see separate document).

Your advice and input is very important to us, since our mission is to produce language industry standards that are actually usable and required for the advancement of language industry in Europe.

regards

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