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The Ludwig
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The LWP:
Where we are, how we got
here, where to go next



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How we got where we are



How we got where we are

- **2010**: the beginning of Michele's love story with Wikipedia
- **2016**: a translation of the *Tractatus*
- **2017**: the realisation that 2022 is around the corner
- **2020**: the domain wittgensteinproject.org is registered and the website is installed



How we got where we are

- **March 2021:** the Wikimedia Italia NGO awards an 800€ grant to the LWP
- **September 2021:** Wikimedia Italia awards another 4000€ grant to the LWP
- **2021:** the original-language version of many of W.'s most important texts is uploaded to the website
- **2021:** a few people volunteer to translate and help with the organisation



How we got where we are

- **1 January 2022:** the project goes live
- **2022:** many more people volunteer
 - To translate
 - To help with editing, proofreading
 - To help with the organisation



Where are we exactly?



Where are we exactly?

- 32 texts are currently online, of which
 - 15 original-language texts
 - 15 previously unpublished translations
- 11 languages are represented
- 7 translations are being prepared for publication
- 5 texts are being translated
- 5000 unique visitors and 11.000 page views in the first 15 days
- About 100 visits per day after the first 3 days



Where are we exactly?

- We have a funding proposal pending with the University of Milan
- The collaboration with the Arabic-language Wittgenstein Project is ongoing
- The work of uploading texts goes on



What now?



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Three areas:

- Editorial
- Technical
- Outreach



Editorial

- Translating
- Proofreading
- Determining what original texts should and can be uploaded, and uploading them
- Searching for exant free translations (overlaps with outreach) (e.g. Portuguese *LE*)



Technical

- The tree-like view of the *Tractatus* (in all languages)
- A better search engine
- A feature for downloading EPUBs (to be generated on the fly)
- An accessibility check
- Improving site navigation, adding interlanguage links (to individual paragraphs if possible)
- Implementing a feature for tracing remarks back to the *Nachlass*



Outreach

- Managing social media
- Improving SEO (getting “linked in”)
- Being featured in conventional media
- Searching for extant free translations (overlaps with editorial)
- Fundraising (partly overlaps with editorial)
 - Wikimedia Austria
 - Wikimedia UK
 - Wittgenstein Initiative
 - Knowledge Unlatched

