

Introduction to Machine Translation

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Is this tutorial for you?

This tutorial is for people who are beginning to evaluate how well machine translation will fit their needs or who are curious to know more about how it is used. We assume no previous knowledge of machine translation. We focus on background knowledge that will help you both get more out of the rest of the MT Summit and to make better decisions about how to invest in machine translation. Past participants have ranged from tech writers and freelance translators who want to keep up to date to VPs and CEOs who are evaluating technology strategies for their organizations.

Topics for discussion

We start from the most common FAQs about MT
(Can machines really translate?! Can we fire our translators now?)
and move on to discuss limitations,
(Why is the output so bad? What is MT good for?)
workflow,
(Why buy MT if it's free on the internet? What other kinds of translation automation are there? How do we use it?)
return on investment,
(How much does MT cost? How can we convince our bosses to buy MT?)
and steps to deployment
(Which MT system should we buy? What do we do next?)

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2. When you register for the Conference, click the check box for
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3. Later, make a note of any questions that you have about Machine Translation and bring them to the tutorial.
4. Contact me at mike@translationoptimization.com if you need any further information.