# Welcome. Scoping, Evaluation and Integration of NMT Use **Cases on Company Level Christian Eisold, blc** berns language consulting 04/21/2022 | 11:00

## Scoping, Evaluation and Integration of NMT Use Cases on Company Level

Agenda

Introduction: berns language consulting

**Scoping NMT Use Cases** 

**Evaluation of NMT Engines** 

**Integrating NMT** 

**Conclusions** 

#### Introduction

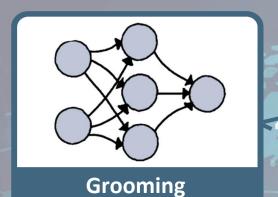
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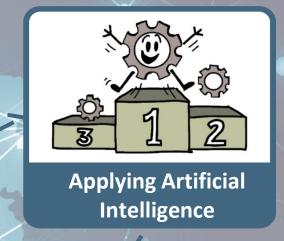
- Natural Language Processing & "Smart Data"
- Scoping & Evaluation of MT Use Cases
- Data analysis & Data Migration (TMS Systems)
- Terminology & Ontology Use Cases

## blc services for perfectly connected language services



Language Data







Quality





## Increasing the efficiency and quality of your processes



## Objective and independent, no system sales, no commission

Gap analysis
Data analysis
System selection

Market monitoring
System strategy
Best practice

Strategy workshops
Team know-how
System training

Acceptance testing Second level support Process support

## **SCOPING NMT USE CASES**



How does one scope NMT Use Cases?



Is he scoping NMT use cases?



Did they scope a lovely NMT use case? Maybe...

"My Boss wants to use MT engines..."

#### **Situation in companies**

The quality of generic NMT has been tested by employees via free services: Substantial advantages over SMT

Most customers know: There are lots of MT systems around (cloud & onprem)

• Some customers know: You can train your own engines with some of these systems

Few customers know: How to use and prepare resources for customized NMT training

• Very few customers know: How to test customized engines properly

Starting the NMT Journey: Beyond Use Cases

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#### **Collecting use cases**

- User groups
- Applications/Integrations
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#### **Linguistic & formal requirements**

- Languages, file formats
- MT quality & expectation management
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#### **IT & Financial requirements**

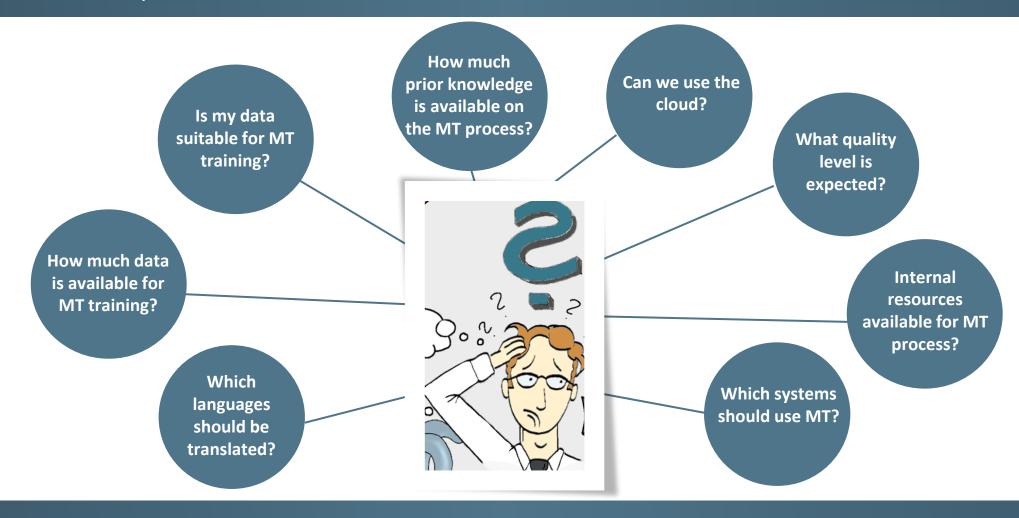
- Internal IT landscape
- Budget & Business cases
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#### **System Selection**

- RFI & Evaluation
- Selection of best fitting system(s)



Important first questions



#### MT Workshops



# **MT Approaches**



- **RBMT**
- **SMT**
- **NMT**
- Word **Embeddings**
- Preprocessing
- **MT Training**

**Evaluation** M



- Automatic **Evaluation**
- Holistic **Evaluation**
- Analytic **Evaluation**
- Post-**Editing-**Distance



Post-Editing MT

- **PE-Types**
- **PE-Tools**
- **PE-Effort**
- Guidelines



Cases

MT Use

- Languages/ **Engines**
- **Training** resources
- MT-Integration
- **Translation** Workflows





Language Resources & Workflows

| Language<br>Direction | Parallel data   | Translation<br>Volume                         | Terminology                          | Domains                                  | MT<br>UseCases                       | Workflows  |
|-----------------------|---|---|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------------|--|
| EN<>DE                | TM/150k TUs   | 250k<br>words/month                           | TBX/300<br>Terms                     | Internal,<br>Techdoc,<br>Legal           | TMS<br>CMS<br>MT Portal              | Full-Post-Editing (internal) Self-Service Self-Service |
| DE<>FR                | DOCX/100<br>Files   | 100k<br>words/month                           | Excel/ 100<br>Terms                  | Marketing                                | MT Portal                            | Self-Service   |
| Tasks                 | Merging TMs Alignin parallel data Anonymize Clean up data | Business Cases - Licensing - API - Throughput | Merging<br>termbanks &<br>glossaries | Filtering<br>Domains in<br>training data | Check API integration s & connectors | Check current<br>translation systems<br>& process      |

MT Landscape



























**Business Cases** 

## **Translation Volume**

## Hosting

## Licensing

## **Trainings**

## Customization

- Words day/month/year
- API throughput
- Number of connectors/users
- Server locations
- Number of engines
- Cloud/Onprem licenses
- Engines
- Users
- Initial trainings
- Retrainings
- Services
- Portal customization
- UI customization



Request for Information

MT Vendor MT Vendor MT Vendor MT Vendor

MT Vendor

- Pricing
  - Hosting
- Security
- Pretrained Engines
- Training resources
- Training capabilities
- Preprocessing
- Post processing
- **Terminology**

- Automatic metrics
- Human evaluation
- Post editing

- User interface
- Service
- User Trainings

Introducing machine translation in four Steps!

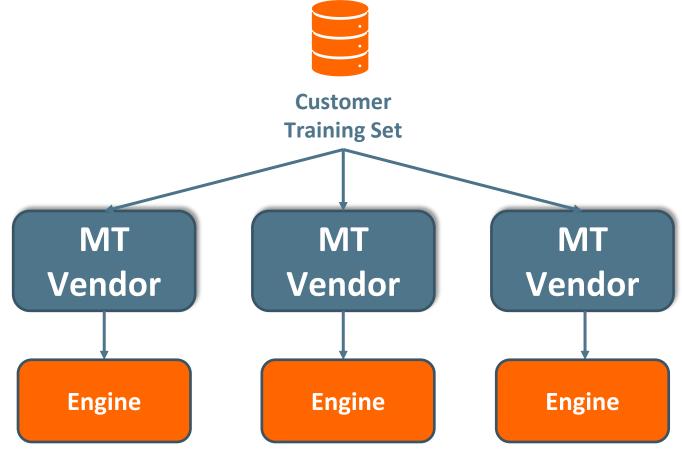
#### **Training 02** Preprocessing 01 Compilation of training Extraction of training sets texts Cleansing of training texts Configuration and training Creation of test sets Use of terminology Machine **Evaluation & Optimization 03** Integration & Go-Live 04 **Translation** Automatic and human Workflow integration evaluation Interface connection Optimizations and re-tests **Post-Editing Process**



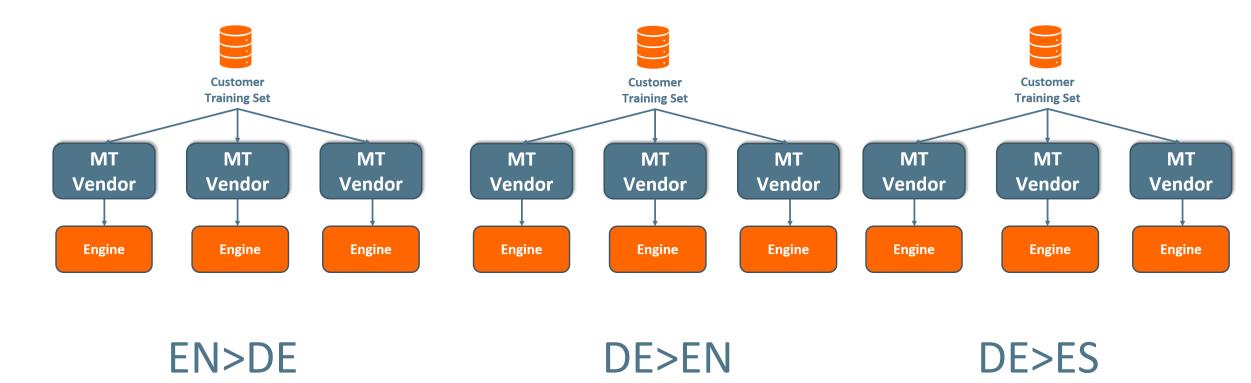
#### **Guiding Questions**

- What MT quality level is expected for a given use case?
  - Gisting
  - Publishing
- Who will be evaluating the engines?
  - Internal domain experts
  - LSPs
- What features to focus on in the evaluation?
  - Terminology
  - Style
  - Numbers
  - Named entities

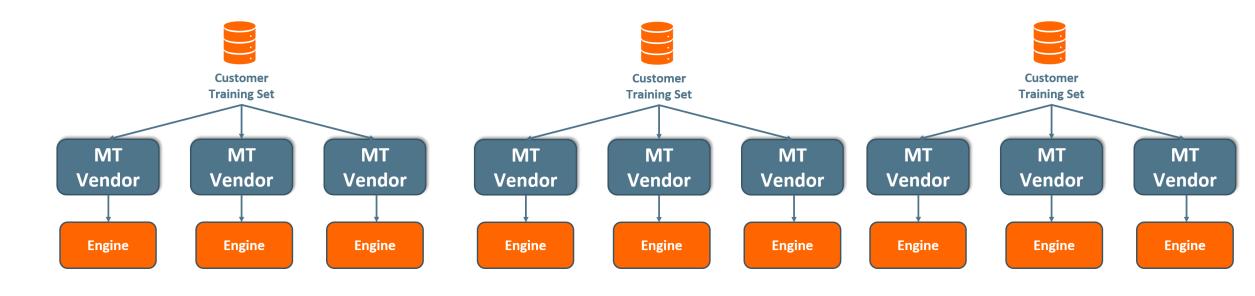
MT-Training: One language direction



MT-Training: Three language directions



MT-Training: One language direction, different domains

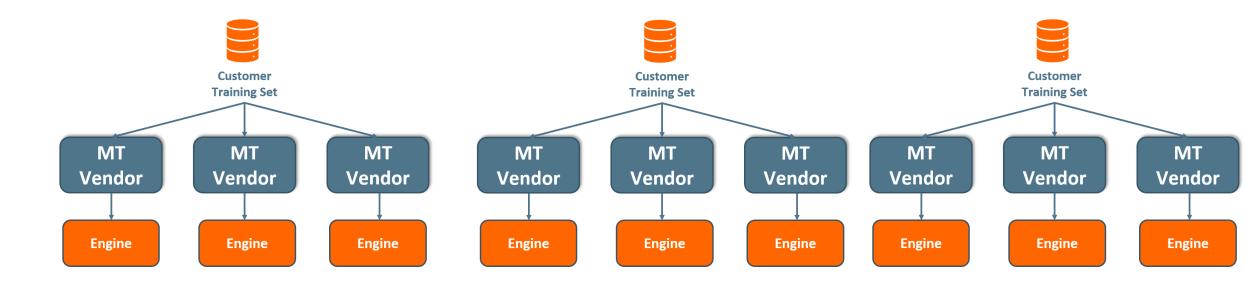


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MT-Training: Three language directions, mixed domains



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**Human Evaluation** 







- Subset of the automatic set
- Variable size



#### **Error metric**

- Set of error types and severities
- Scale based ratings: accuracy & readability



#### **Evaluators**

- Annotate Errors on sentence/word level
- Use Guidelines / Cat Tools / Excel



#### **Post-Editing**

- Translators post-edit human test set
- Use Guidelines / Cat Tools / Excel

#### **Evaluating MT Systems**

#### **Quality Reports**

| Error Type                        | Severity       | Domain    | Source   | MT   | Reference                                    | Post-Editing   | BLEU | PED | PED% |
|-----------------------------------|----------------|-----------|--|--|--|--|------|-----|------|
| -                                 | -              | Marketing |  | The product is very popular among customers. | The product is very popular among customers. | The product is very popular among customers.             | 1.00 | 0   | 0%   |
| Word order<br>Terminology         | Major<br>Minor |           |  | and then open carefully it.                  |  | First switch off the product and then open it carefully. | 0.66 | 12  | 27%  |
| Source Text<br>Error<br>Agreement | Major          | Techdoc   | Entsorgen Sie <b>den</b> Produkt<br>bitte fachgerecht. | · ·  | ' '  | Please dispose of the product properly.                  | 0.00 | 0   | 0%   |

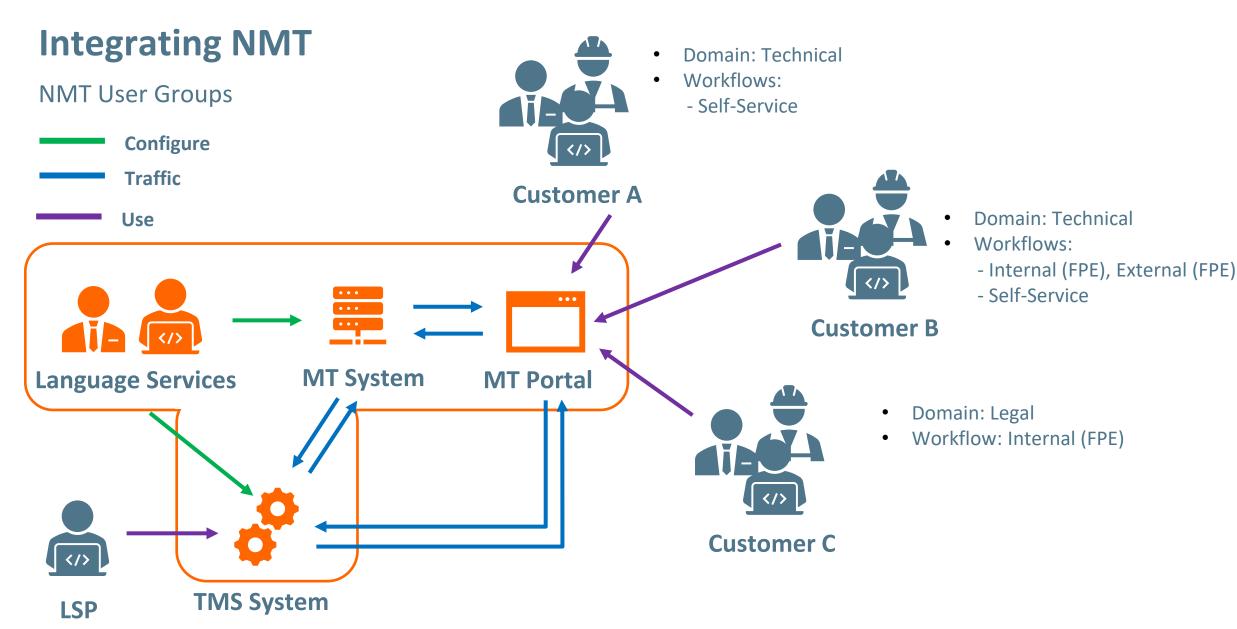
#### **Error** annotations are

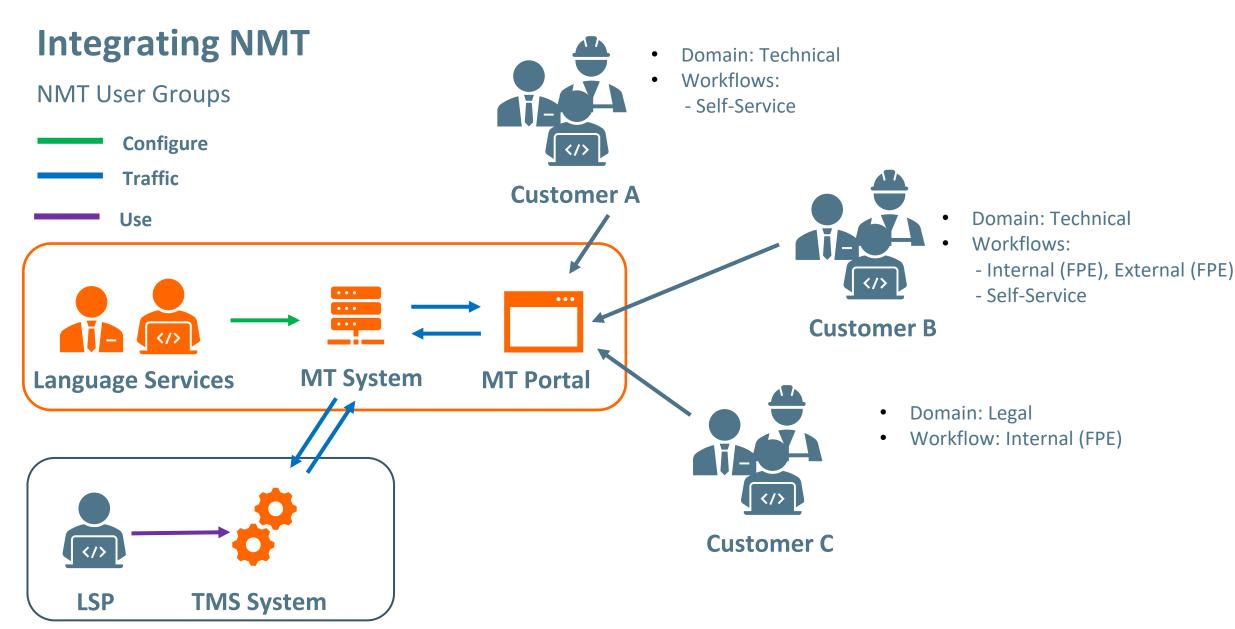
- a prerequisite for engine-approvals
- important feedback for the NMT development team in order to optimize the engines
- insightful with regards to post-editing strategies and source-text quality -> Guidelines

## Scoping NMT with blc: Requirements & Evaluation

Evaluating MT Systems: Overall impression

|                            | System A | System B | System C |
|----------------------------|----------|----------|----------|
| Pricing                    | 3        | 5        | 2        |
| Functional<br>Requirements | 4        | 3        | 2        |
| Evaluation                 | 2        | 4        | 1        |
| Impression                 | 3        | 4        | 3        |
| Score                      | 12       | 16       | 8        |





#### Guidelines

#### **Post-Editing-Guidelines**

#### **General Guidelines**

- Rules of thumb
- Light editing rules
- Full editing rules

#### **Customer Specific Guidlines**

- Terminology
- Style
- Normalizations

#### **Evaluation-Guidelines**

#### **General Guidelines**

- Error typology
- Error examples

#### **Stakeholder Specific Guidlines**

Terminology

Style

**Normalizations** 

Tracking & Improving MT Quality

# Track Quality

## **Evaluate**

## **Improve**

#### **TASKS**

- Get Post-Editing-Distance
- Get Quality Feedback from LSP
- Quality within expectations?

#### **TASKS**

- Compile testsets
- Annotate errors
- Prioritize errors

#### **TASKS**

- Feedback errors to MT
- Discuss strategies

vendor

Re-train and re-test engines

#### **MT** Strategy

LSP Pricing



- Word/Time based pricing
- Languages & Domains
- Quality levels

**Business Cases** 



- Hard benefits
- Soft benefits
- One time costs
- Running fixed costs
- Running variable costs



- Which risks can occur?
- Probability of risks
- How severe would the consequences be?



Change Management

- MT service naming
- Quality process
- Roles and tasks

More Tasks

#### **Configuration**

- MT system (Roles/Rules/Resources)
- TMS (Workflows/Resources)

#### **Resource management**

- Data handling
- Coordinaton of evaluations
- Trainings/Retrainings

#### **Workshops**

- Evaluator workshops
- Post-Editing workshops
- Strategy workshops

#### <u>IT</u>

- Portal customization
- Security

#### **Documentation**

- Guidelines
- Process documentation

## **CONCLUSIONS**



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#### **Conclusions**

How to get started with NMT?

Discuss your MT requirements & Use Cases

Communication between PMs, IT, stakeholders, LSPs

Collect resources, evaluate MT vendors & engines, integrate and go life!

## **Need more information?**

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