

## Comparison of Drupal interface translation possibilities

	POT extraction, translation and PO import	Built-in locale module	Localization client module	Localization server modules with		
				l10n_onsite connector	l10n_localpacks connector	l10n_drupalorg connector
Intended audience	Hard core translators using external translation tools	Patient Drupal users	Drupal users with less time	People with a desire for full site translation	Companies with in-house (Drupal) projects to translate	Drupal.org
Built into Drupal	no	yes	no	no	no	no
Available for	Drupal 5	Drupal 5 & 6	Drupal 6 without patch, Drupal 5 with patch	Drupal 5	Drupal 5	Drupal 5
How to get?	drupal.org potx project and a desktop PO editor	Enable locale module	drupal.org l10n_client project	This is still just a promise, exact architecture to be defined.	drupal.org l10n_server project	drupal.org l10n_server project
Works with the built-in locale tables	yes	yes	yes	yes(?)	no	no
Stores project, file and line information for strings	yes	no	no	yes(?)	yes	yes
Allows Gettext PO import	n/a	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
Allows Gettext PO export	yes	Single PO file	no (use locale module for that)	PO package understandable by Drupal 6	PO package understandable by Drupal 6	PO package understandable by Drupal 6
Allows for complete translation	yes	yes	no	yes	yes	yes
Handles plural translation nicely	yes	no	no	yes	yes	yes
Allows external projects to be translated	yes	no	no	no	yes	yes
Automatically syncs with drupal.org projects	n/a	no	no	no	no	yes
Permission model	User needs permission to use potx extraction and import PO files	User needs permission to use module	User needs permission to use module	Permissions or organic groups mapper available	Permissions or organic groups mapper available	Organic groups mapper required