

LET'S TRANSLATE GUIX TOGETHER

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Create an Account

We use weblate for our translations. You will need an account to follow this tutorial.



<https://translate.fedoraproject.org>

Acronyms

nls

Native Language Support

Meaning: translations

l10n

Localization

Process that prepares a software to understand various local contexts

i18n

Internationalization

Providing local information (eg. translations) to adapt the software to a local context

Localization in Guix

Currently localized modules are:

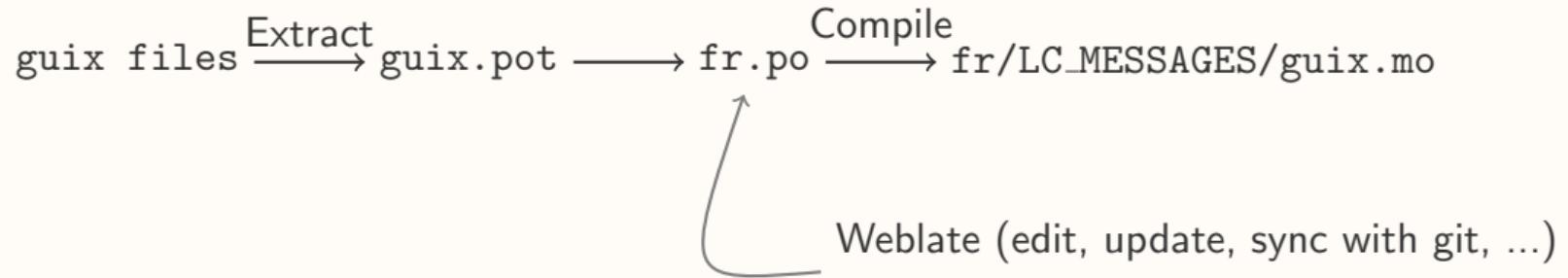
- Guix
- Package synopsis and description
- Cookbook and manual
- Website
- Guix pull news (partial, not covered here)

Missing:

- Blog posts
- Channels

Covered in “Translating Guix” in the manual

Internationalization



- Po4a (documentation)
- Gettext (scheme files)
- Custom script (sxml, website)

Time for practice!

- Select the Guix project
- Select the Website component
- Find your language or “start new translation” button (below)

Practice (backup)

guix-i18n - Online LaTeX x guix/website @ Fedora V x + https://translate.fedoraproject.org/projects/guix/website/

Language	Translated	Unfinished	Unfinished words	Unfinished characters	Untranslated	Checks	Suggestions	Comments
Greek AGPL-3.0	1%	365	3,378	25,444	365		32	
Hungarian AGPL-3.0	0%	366	3,379	25,451	366		53	
Japanese AGPL-3.0	99%	2	15	145	1		1	
Kazakh AGPL-3.0	1%	363	3,328	25,140	363		23	
Korean AGPL-3.0	95%	15	211	1,666	6		1	
Mongolian AGPL-3.0	2%	358	3,262	24,345	358	4	1	
Norwegian Bokmål AGPL-3.0	94%	21	93	1,384	20		4	
Persian AGPL-3.0	69%	110	2,256	17,275	106	3	2	
Portuguese (Brazil) AGPL-3.0	89%	38	681	5,602	37		49	
Russian AGPL-3.0	65%	125	1,463	10,776	104	13	18	
Sinhala AGPL-3.0	1%	360	3,371	25,387	359		15	
Slovak AGPL-3.0	✓							
Spanish AGPL-3.0	99%	2	15	145	1		2	
Turkish AGPL-3.0	99%	3	51	401	1	1	1	3
Ukrainian AGPL-3.0	49%	184	2,592	19,583	184	1	43	1
Start new translation								

Website Translation Instructions: First item

First item is “English”.

It appears in the list of languages on the top right

Use the name of your language in your language:

- Norsk bokmål
- 日本語
- Français
- Deutsch

Website Translation Instructions: First Item (backup)

guix / website / French / Translate

1 / 366 | All strings ▾ Position and priority ▾ 1

Translation

English TRANSLATORS: The locale's display name; please include a country code like in English (US) *only* if there are multiple translations for the same language.

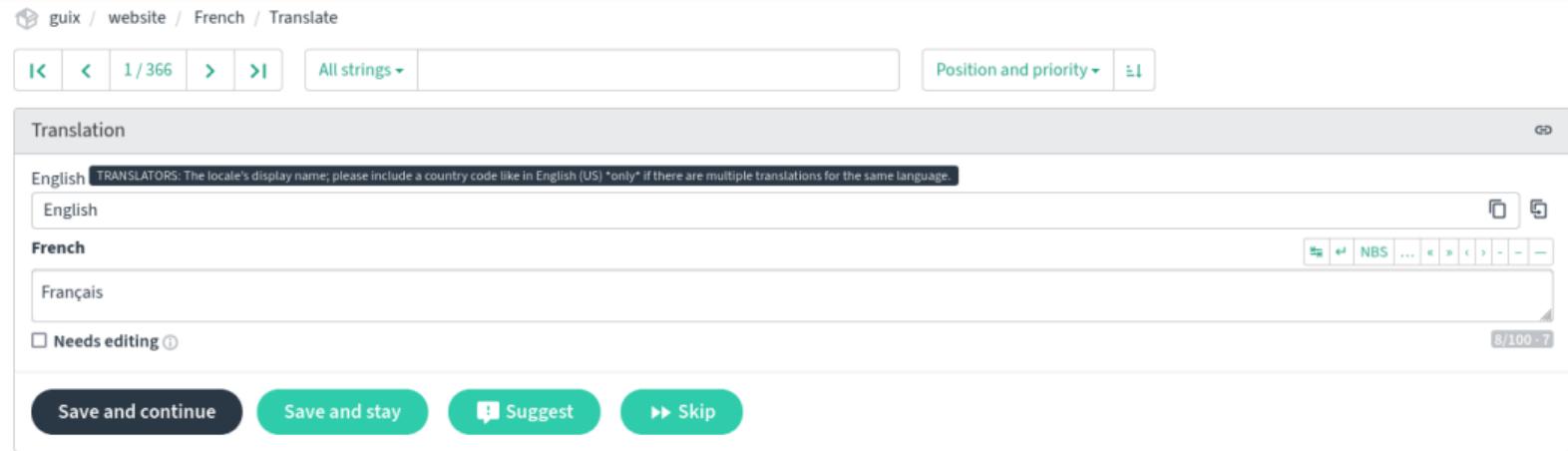
English

French

Français

Needs editing ⓘ 8/100 · 7

Save and continue Save and stay Suggest Skip



Website Translation Instructions: iso code

One item is “en”, you have to translate to your language’s iso code (eg. fr, zh-cn, de, pt-br)

Look for it:

1. Search from the language page
2. in Advance query builder type en
3. select Exact match and click Add
4. this builds the query source:=en
5. press enter or click Search at the bottom

Website Translation Instructions: iso code (backup)

guix / website / French / Translate

Custom search ▾ source:en Position and priority ▾ ↻

Translation

English **Context** unique lingua code like en or zh-cn
en

French
fr

Needs editing ⓘ 2/100 · 2

Save and continue Save and stay Suggest ► Skip

This screenshot shows a translation interface for a website. At the top, there's a navigation bar with 'guix / website / French / Translate' and search/filter buttons for 'Custom search ▾', 'source:en', 'Position and priority ▾', and a refresh icon. Below the navigation is a 'Translation' section with two language dropdowns: 'English' (set to 'en') and 'French' (set to 'fr'). To the right of the English dropdown is a 'Context' input field with the placeholder 'unique lingua code like en or zh-cn'. Below the language dropdowns are two text input fields: one for English containing 'en' and one for French containing 'fr'. Underneath the French input is a checkbox labeled 'Needs editing ⓘ'. At the bottom of the interface are four buttons: 'Save and continue' (dark background), 'Save and stay' (light green background), 'Suggest' (light green background with a speech bubble icon), and '► Skip'.

Website Translation Instructions: markup

```
<1>Liberating.</1> Guix is an advanced distribution of the <2>GNU  
operating system</2> developed by the <3>GNU Project</3> which  
respects the <4>freedom of computer users</4>.
```

- Replace actual, complex HTML markup
- Need to keep the same numbers, but you can change order

```
<1>Libérateur.</1> Guix est une distribution avancée du <2>système  
d'exploitation GNU</2> développé par le <3>projet GNU</3> qui  
respecte la <4>la liberté des utilisateurs et utilisatrices  
d'ordinateurs</4>.
```

When is it online?

Inclusion Criteria

- More than 80%
- No less than 60%

- Website: main contact point for newcomers
- need good experience
- half-English is worse than all English for most people

Let's translate Guix itself!

- Select the Guix project
- Select the Guix component
- Find your language or “start new translation” button (below)

Guile Translation Instructions: format

Can contain Guile code:

```
ambiguous package specification `~a'
```

French:

```
spécification du paquet "~a" ambiguë
```

- Multiple formats: keep the same order! Guile will.

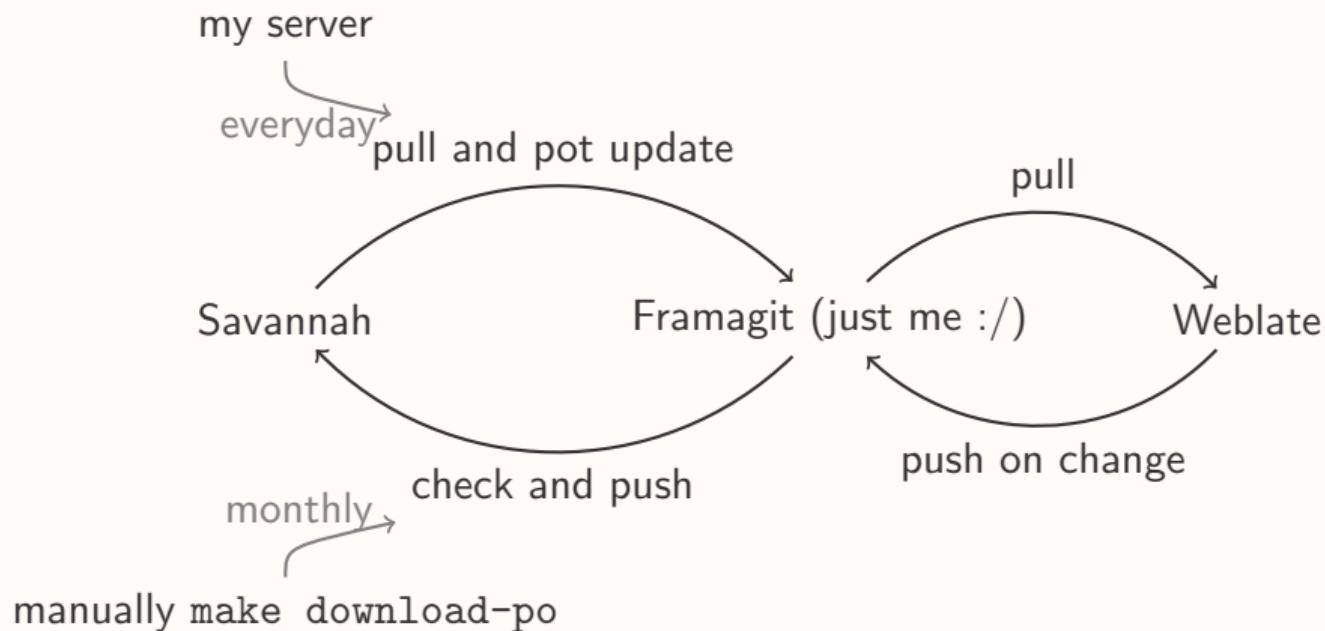
When is it available?

Inclusion Criteria

- Immediately!
- but...

- Translation can break Guix (eg. incorrect format)
- Can't trust Weblate to have push access to Guix
- Use intermediate repo

Infrastructure (“temporary”)



Let's translate the Guix manual!

- Select the Guix project
- Select the Documentation Manual component
- Find your language or “start new translation” button (below)

Texinfo Translation Instructions

- *version.texi*: Translate to *version-xx.texi*
- *contributing.texi*: Translate to *contributing.xx.texi*
- *Top*: Do not translate, it is important for Texinfo.

Texinfo markup

On Guix, extra dependencies can be added by instead running @command{guix shell}:

Avec Guix, vous pouvez ajouter des dépendances supplémentaires en lançant @command{guix shell} :

Do not translate content

- @code
- @file
- @value

Always translate content

- @emph
- @i

When is it available?

Inclusion Criteria

- More than 10%
- No less than 5%

What next?

We're waiting for your contributions!