EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT

Election Night Reporting

2019

2nd largest democratic election in the world
Ensuring accurate, secure, and efficient results publication is as important for an election as the voting itself. A mighty task in its own right, the European Parliament provided an added challenge to results reporting due to the sheer number of countries and languages involved.

Scytl was tasked with publishing results on the official European Union Election Results Website for the 2019 Parliament Election. This mission was made all the more difficult considering that the results needed to be accessible to all 28 member states, and in all 24 official EU languages, in a timely fashion.

Over 400 million Europeans were eligible to vote going into the election, electing a total of 751 Members of the European Parliament (MEPs). After receiving the results from our partner Kantar, the data needed to be efficiently and securely processed, presented to European Parliament officials for review, published on the official election results website, and disseminated across various channels, and integrated into an online widget utilized by 250 national and international media outlets.

It was a sincere pleasure to be able to work with Scytl’s election experts on this project. We are both proud and thrilled that our teamwork resulted in the successful delivery of secure results for one of the largest elections in the world.”

Nicolas Bécuwe
Senior Director Public division
Kantar
The Solution

To handle this demanding challenge, Scytl’s election and technology experts deployed **Scytl Election Night Reporting**. After our partner Kantar gathered the results from each country, they were securely transmitted to the data center housed by Scytl in Barcelona. Then, our team processed the data and uploaded them to a cloud-based infrastructure where they were made available for review by European Parliament officials. Once given the go-ahead, the results were published on the Official European Union Election Results Website, hosted by Scytl, at both national and European levels. At this time, we were also able to automatically send updates through the European Union’s social network channels.

To guarantee the success of this project, Scytl’s team began preparing nine months in advance. Over this time, we conducted 3 separate trial runs, 5 user acceptance tests, and we set up the data collection center in Barcelona, as well as an emergency back-up center in Frankfurt. Our election experts were also able to upload past European Parliament Election results, dating back to the 1970s, to the official results website, making it the first time such results were made available in a single online location.

With **Scytl Election Night Reporting**, we were able to publish the results from more than 2.1 million voters across the 28 EU member states in all 24 official EU languages. After receiving the data from Kantar, it took less than 10 minutes to review, publish, and distribute the results. The official election results website received more than 300 visits per second on election night alone, and over 13 million visits in the 12 hours following the closing of polls. The results data was also leveraged by some 250 global media outlets. Most importantly, all of the data sent from Kantar to Scytl and then ultimately published by the EU were securely transmitted with digital signatures and certificates, ensuring their integrity and verifiability.

**Performance Highlights**

- **12 Million** visits to the results website
- **210 Million** voters
- **10 minutes** to publish the results
- **250 media outlets** that leveraged data
- **300 max** visits per second on the results site
At Scytl, we help governments and organizations around the globe engage in participatory democracy, citizen and member empowerment, and public transparency with improved security and efficiency through innovative technology.

Global & Proven Experience

Asia Pacific
- Australia, Victoria
  Electoral Commission
- Australia, New South Wales
  Electoral Commission
- New Zealand, Auckland Council
- India, State of Gujarat
- Philippines, COMELEC

North America
- 30 States, including:
  - State of Florida
  - State of West Virginia
- USA Department of Defense
- +200 Ontario municipalities
- Conservative Party, Alberta
- Edmonton, Alberta
- Saskatchewan NDP

Europe, Middle East and Africa
- France, Ministry of Foreign Affairs
- France, Ministry of Education
- France, Ministry of Interior
- Norway, Ministry of Local Government
- Switzerland: Neuchâtel, Fribourg, Thurgau and Basel-Stadt
- Iceland, Registers Iceland
- European Union, 28 member states
- Spain, Ministry of Interior
- UK, Ministry of Justice
- United Arab Emirates, EIDA
- Germany, SPD

Latin America
- Mexico, Federal District
- Colombia, City of Medellín
- Brazil, over 50 private elections
- Peru, Organizations of American States
- Honduras, Tribunal Supremo Electoral
- Argentina, Mendoza