

Multilingual SPIP template v0.5 (article.php3?id_article=83)

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Some templates under GPL license in order to set up a multilingual website with SPIP. They are simple and easy to custom. Original design is coming from **Alistapart** (<http://www.alistapart.com>).

- **Name of the template** : Squelette SPIP [maiiis.net] multilingue
- **Version of the template** : 0.5
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- **Licence** : GPL
- **Compatibility SPIP** : SPIP > 1.7
- **Example** : www.maiis.net (<http://www.maiis.net>) English & French

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SPECIFICATIONS

- XHTML code
- CSS 2 style sheets (@media screen & print)
- one language by sector
- homepage in the favorite language of the browser (contribution of **Laurent Laville** (<http://laurent-laville.org>))
- XML/RSS backend files automaticaly detected
- a forum for every language (contribution of BoOz)
- searching in one language at a time
- simulated translation links for sections
- language files (English and French)
- google style for sorting results of a search (contribution Nicolas Steinmetz and pdepaepe)
- smileys version II (contribution of BoOz)
- plural matching

Note : news and web sites directories are not used.

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INSTALLATION

1. Uncompress archive, you get a folder **squelette multilingue v0.5** which contains the folder **maiiis/** and the file **mes_fonctions.php3**.
2. Copy the folder **maiiis/** to SPIP's root and copy the content of the file **mes_fonctions.php3** in

'dossier_squelettes'] = "maais" ; in mes_fonctions.php3 tells SPIP where to look for the templates, so that you can give a try with those templates without overwriting yours. You can go back to the initial setup if you delete that line.

3. Set up your site to enable translation links. Here's my setup :

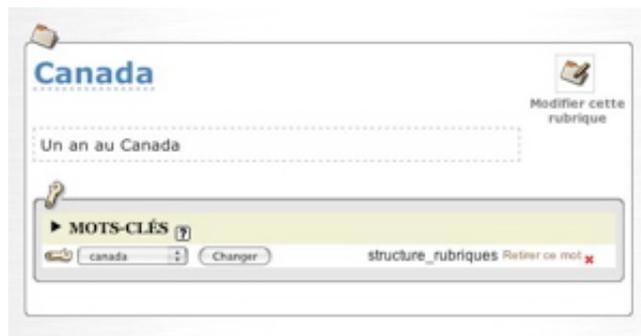
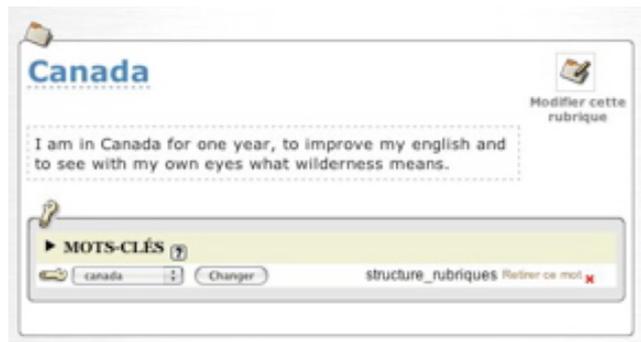
Action	Value
Enable the language menu for the articles ?	No
Enable the language menu for the sections ?	Yes
... only for the sections located at the root ?	Yes
Managing translation links ?	Yes

4. One language per sector. In the private area, create sections and affect them language, logo and hovering logo (flags). To simulate a translation link for sections : create the keyword group **structure_rubriques**, when user browses a section, he can be redirected to the "translated" section in another sector. Now create as many keywords as shared sections. To set a forum, associate the keyword "forum" only to one article in each sector.



ex: for homepage, sectors are linked with the keyword "accueil".





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COMPATIBILITY

Tested ?	OS	Browser	Version
yes	Windows	Internet Explorer	5.5, 6
yes	Windows	Mozilla	1.6
yes	MacosX	Safari	1.2.3
yes	MacosX	Mozilla	1.6
yes	MacosX	Internet Explorer	5.2
no	MacosX	Opera	
no	Windows	Opera	
no	Linux	Mozilla	
no	Linux	Konqueror	

Let me know (http://www.maiis.net/auteur.php3?id_auteur=1&lang=en#contact) if the templates display as they should on non-tested OS/browsers.

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ARCHIVE'S TREE

```
maais/  
  images/  
    smileys/ // contains smileys  
    logo.gif // site's logo  
    icon.gif // favicon  
    en_off.png // English flag off  
    en_on.png // English flag on  
    fr_off.png // French flag off  
    fr_on.png // French flag on  
  inclusions/ // contains includes  
    inc_decompte.html  
    inc_decompte.php3  
    inc_derniers_commentaires.html  
    inc_derniers_commentaires.php3  
    inc_entete.html  
    inc_entete.php3  
    inc_head.html  
    inc_head.php3  
    inc_meme_rubrique.html  
    inc_meme_rubrique.php3  
    inc_menu.html  
    inc_menu.php3  
    inc_pied_de_page.html  
    inc_pied_de_page.php3  
    inc_recherche.html  
    inc_recherche.php3  
    inc_rubriques.html  
    inc_rubriques.php3  
    inc_smileys.html  
    inc_smileys.php3  
    inc_traductions.html  
    inc_traductions.php3  
  lang/ // contains language files  
    local_en.php3 // English  
    local_fr.php3 // French  
  styles/ // contains style sheets  
    impression.css // to print  
    style.css // to display on screen  
  article.html  
  auteur.html  
  forum.html  
  login.html  
  plan.html  
  recherche.html  
  resume.html  
  rubrique.html  
  sommaire.html  
mes_fonctions.php3 // contains filters
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INCLUDES

All included files are in `maais/inclusions`

include	role
<code>inc_head.html</code>	manages META tags, style sheet, backend and favicon paths
<code>inc_entete.html</code>	displays the site's name and hierarchy (sector is omitted)
<code>inc_menu.html</code>	displays horizontal menu
<code>inc_traductions.html</code>	manages : - redirection to an article's translation - redirection to a shared section in another language (you have to first set up keywords)
<code>inc_rubriques.html</code>	displays sectors' tree and the number of articles in each section
<code>inc_recherche.html</code>	displays searching form in the language in use
<code>inc_derniers_commentaires.html</code>	displays the last 7 comments in the sector in use

inc_decompte.html	displays how many comments has an article
inc_meme_rubrique.html	displays the article in the same section
inc_smileys.html	displays smileys contained in the maais/images/smileys folder
inc_pied_de_page.html	displays copyright and XML picture which is linked to the language's backend

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TEMPLATES

file	role
sommaire.html	redirects user to the homepage in the browser's favourite language
rubrique.html	displays homepage when id_rubrique is a sector otherwise it displays the section's content
article.html	displays an article, or the forum when the article is linked to the keyword forum
auteur.html	displays the autor's biography and articles he wrote
forum.html	enables user to post a message
login.html	is the login page
plan.html	lists sections and articles
recherche.html	displays search results
resume.html	lists all articles (10 per page)

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MES_FONCTIONS.PHP3

function	role
\$GLOBALS['dossier_squelettes']	tells SPIP where to look for the templates
\$GLOBALS['puce']	customs SPIP's list style
smileys()	a contribution of BoOz, adds smileys to a text [(#TEXTE/smileys)]
gerer_menu_langues()	to redirect user to the right homepage
google_like()	google like search results

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CUSTOMIZATION

- **site's logo** : in **maais/styles/styles.css** you can change the path to **logo.gif**.

```
#entete {
    background: #fff url(../images/logo.gif) no-repeat;
    /*                HERE                */
    border: 0;
    margin: 0;
    height: 65px;
    padding: 0 0 0 10px;
    text-align: left;
    line-height: 65px;
    font-size: 16px;
    font-weight: bold;
    text-decoration: none;
    letter-spacing: 1px;
    color: #000;
}
```

- **favicon** in **maais/inclusions/inc_head.html** you can change the path to **icon.gif**.

```
<!-- Icône du site pour les favoris -->
<link rel="shortcut icon" type="image/gif" href="maais/images/icon.gif" />
```

