



## Partners Monthly Progress Statement

Project Code 10500

Project Acronym VISICAST

Objectives continued	Progress towards achieving objectives
<p><b>It will in the Research Work Packages</b></p> <p>2 Develop systems for the generation, storage and transmission of virtual signing.</p> <p>3 Refine user-friendly methods for capturing signs</p> <p><b>(WP4 Animation and Modelling)</b></p> <p>4 Create a machine-readable notation to describe sign-language gestures (hand, face and body) which can be used to retrieve stored gestures or to build them from low-level motion components.</p> <p>5 Use this descriptive language to produce tools that can translate from both speech and text into signing.</p> <p><b>(WP5 Language and Notation)</b></p> <p>6 Trial and evaluate the Application prototypes</p> <p><b>(WP6 Trials and Evaluation)</b></p> <p>7 Ensure effective management, external communications and publicity for the project</p> <p><b>(WP7 Project Management, External Communications and Publicity)</b></p> <p>8 Ensure appropriate exploitation and dissemination of results</p> <p><b>(WP8 Exploitation and Dissemination)</b></p>	<p>WP 5</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▪ (Del 5-1) HamNoSys refinements draft documentation circulated to selected expert HamNoSys users for additional feedback.</li><li>▪ (Del. 5-3) Literature review of agreement structure encodings for sign languages with prototype HPSG implementations as AGR structures started.</li></ul>

### 3 - Project Meetings held

Title	Date	Location	Comments
WP8 Meeting	7.-8.11.00	Nice	1 UH
WP4 Meeting	17.- 18.11.00	Évry	2 UH

**Table 6.1 Effort for the reporting period (decimal man months)**

P No	Short Name	Work Packages	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	TOTAL
		Staff Name									
4 UH		Volkert Backs		0.29			0.71				1.00
		Hortensia Popescu		0.50							0.50
		Constanze Schmaling		0.11			0.39				0.50
		<b>Total</b>		0.90			1.10				2.00

**Table 6.2 Effort for the reporting period (person hours)**

P No	Short Name	Work Packages	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	TOTAL
		Staff Name									
4 UH		Volkert Backs		40			100				140
		Hortensia Popescu		50							50
		Constanze Schmaling		17			60				77
		Actual Hours Total		107			160				267
		Planned Hours		43.33			215				258
		Acumulated Hours		721			1314			40	2075

**Important Note**

The QTR figure is the number of hours stated in the Electra form for your organisation divided by 4 to get the planned quarterly figure for the period. This needs to be apportioned over the WP in which you are working. If your planned hours are not a simple division of the annual put in your own estimates