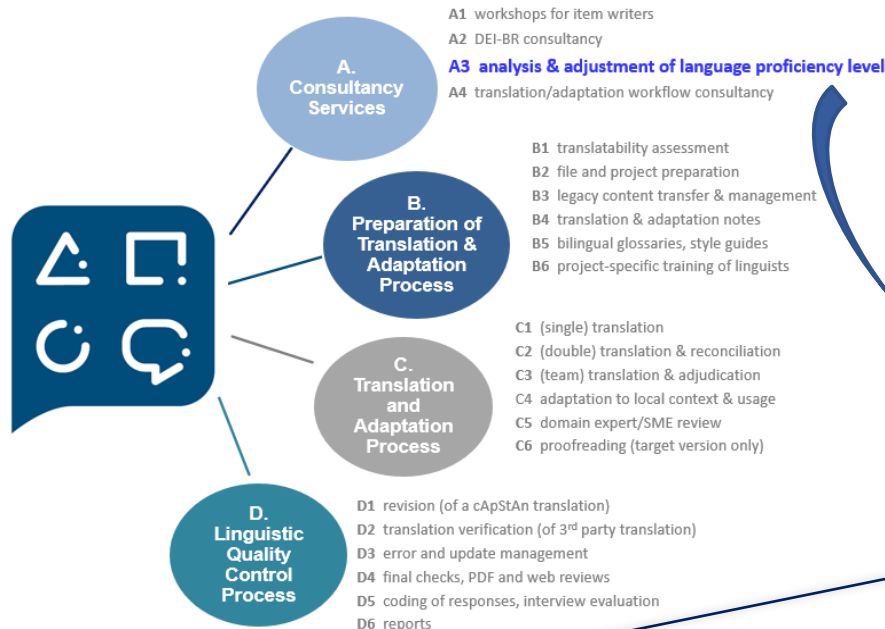


## Spotlight on one of the 22 modules in cApStAn's language service offer



cApStAn organises its language services into **22 modules**, or building blocks.

Depending on the client's requirements, on time and resources available, and on the purpose and life cycle of the document, cApStAn will combine different modules to assemble a coherent project with the most suitable workflow. You will ultimately decide on which modules to keep. **Here is a summary of one our newest modules**

### A. CONSULTANCY SERVICES

#### **A3 – analysis & adjustment of language proficiency level**

**This new service is performed on monolingual content**

#### **1. cApStAn will determine the average level of reading proficiency required to process the content effectively.**

We first extract domain-specific terminology and any terms to exclude from the analysis. The we "strip" or "mask" all names of variables, tags representing graphics etc.

Then we perform a semi-automated text analysis, using a variety of metrics, such as Flesch Kincaid Reading Ease and Gunning Fog to indicate reading difficulty level; lexical sophistication metrics based on word frequency in different reference corpora.

#### **2. The client sets a given threshold of reading proficiency for their content.**

The client sets expectations: applicants with English proficiency at CEFR level A2+ should be able to take the assessment and understand all questions.

*"If you measure a given skill, don't let reading proficiency blur the outcome of your assessment!"*

#### **3. cApStAn adjusts the vocabulary and syntax so that all candidates, test-takers, respondents with the set language proficiency level should be able to [take the test/process the content] effectively.**

A senior cApStAn editor makes the necessary adjustments to ensure that the agreed level of proficiency is sufficient to process the content: we harmonize the level of lexical, grammatical and syntactic difficulty, using accredited resources.

**Interested in learning more? [Contact us here to discuss your requirements](#)**