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## **Minority dailies association MIDAS goes online**

The European Association of Daily Newspapers in Minority and Regional Languages - MIDAS - has launched their new website on <http://www.midas-press.org>. The site is trilingual in English, German and Italian.

Newspaper editors from more than 10 linguistic communities in Europe decided to form a joint association last year, and MIDAS was officially founded in August 2001. The aims of MIDAS are to co-ordinate strategies and increase co-operation in publishing, marketing, obtaining funding and in lobbying at the EU institutions.

'The new website should be a platform for all members, for example to exchange articles,' Günther Rautz, project manager of MIDAS explained earlier to Eurolang. 'We will also have a forum, where the Editor-in-Chiefs, the technicians or the journalists can discuss among each other different ideas, projects and problems.'

So far 32 minority newspapers are members of MIDAS. (EL/Eva)