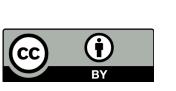




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Maltese Wikipedia Editing

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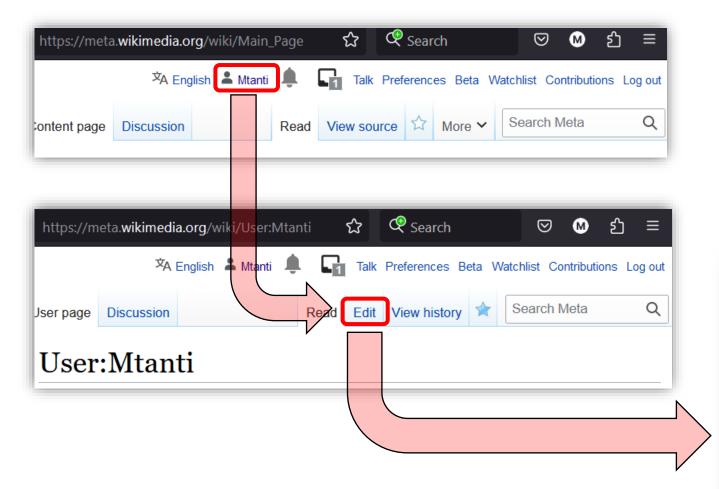
Create an account

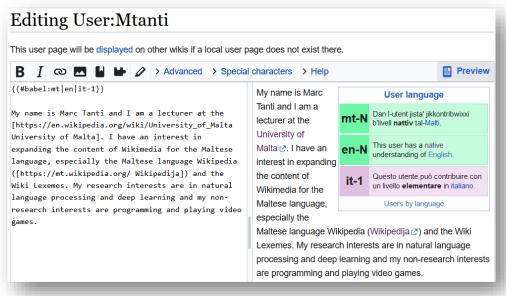
- oIf you don't have an account, create one here.
- oIf you have an account, log in here.
- After creating the account, click on <u>this link</u> to be assessed on your work.

Create a user profile

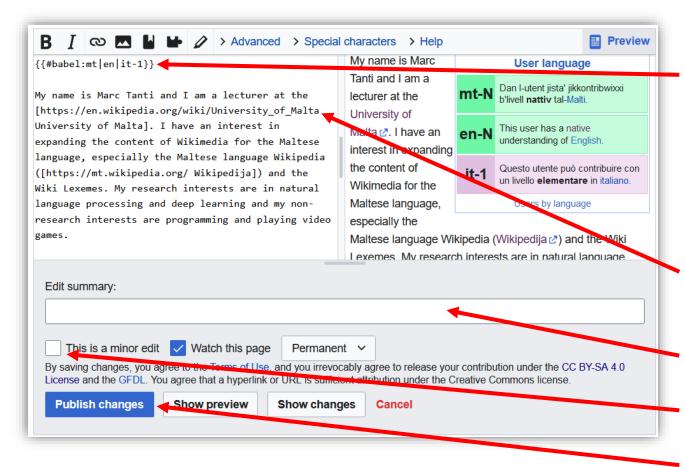
- Since Wikimedia is collaborative, you should introduce yourself to the other Wikipedians.
- A user profile is a place where you can say something about yourself and indicate which languages you can write in.
- Each Wikimedia project and language will have a different user profile that you need to edit. If you want one profile that is shared between all wikis, create your profile in meta.wikimedia.org.

Create a user profile (2)





Create a user profile (3)



Enter a <u>babel code</u> at the top that indicates the languages you speak.

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Mention any conflicts of interest you might have (especially if you're being paid to edit wikis).

Create links as follows:

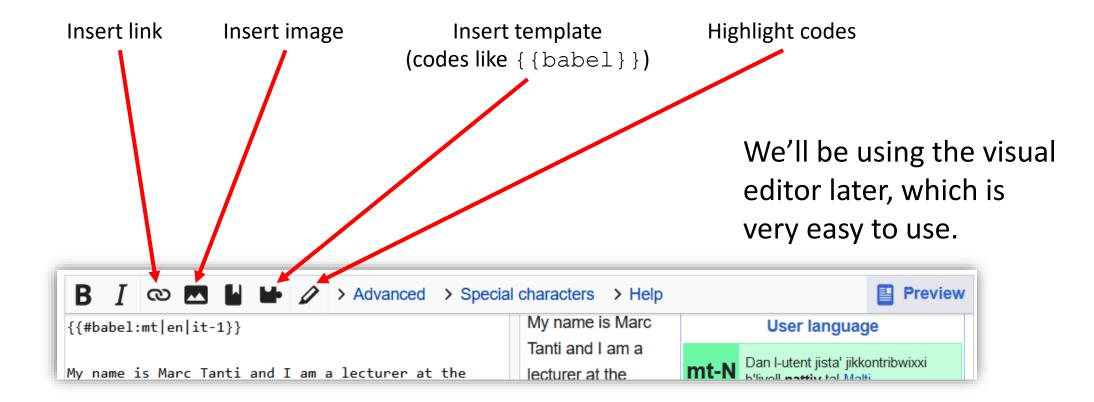
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Enter a summary of what you changed.

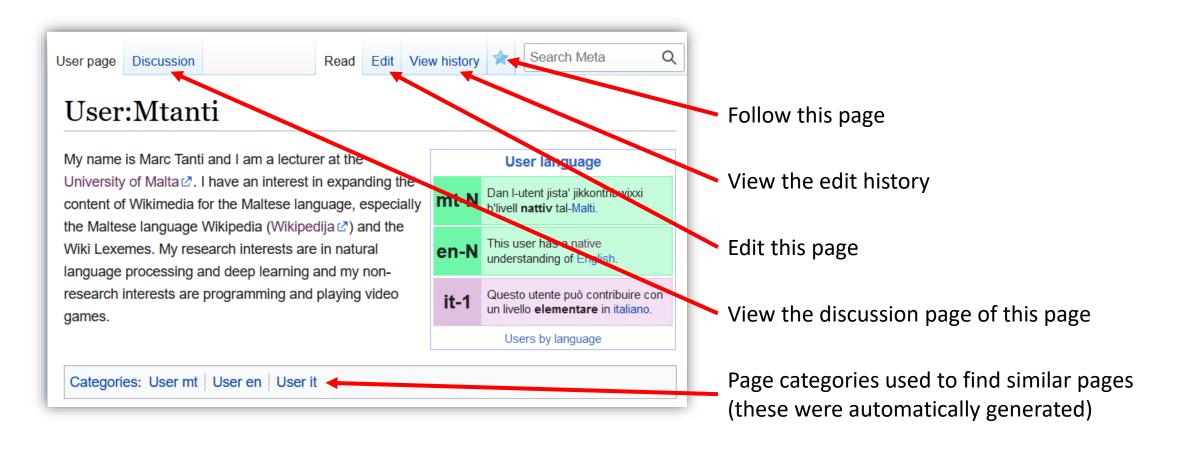
Mark the change as minor if it is.

Publish the change!

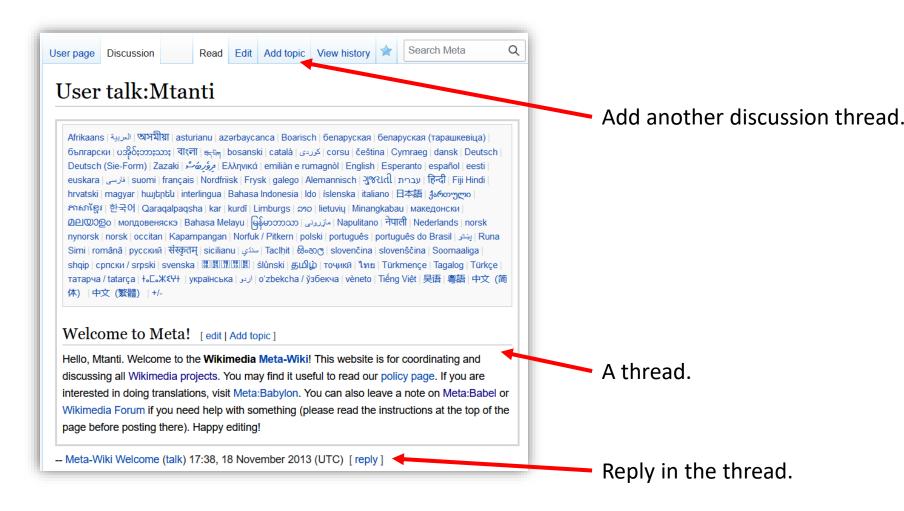
Create a user profile (4)



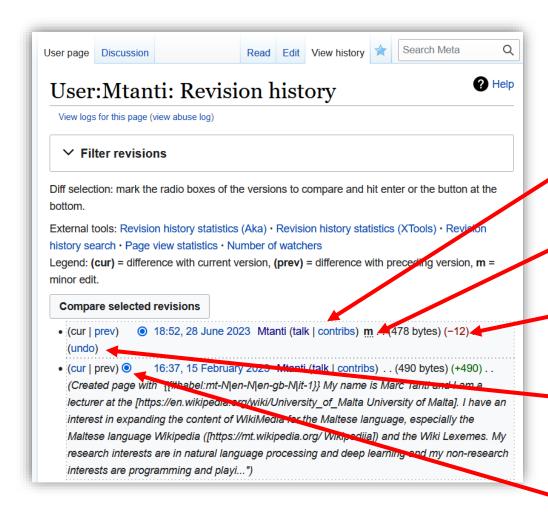
View your profile



The discussion page



The history page



The last change that was made (that resulted in the current version).

This change was marked as a minor edit.

The change in bytes in the page since the previous version.

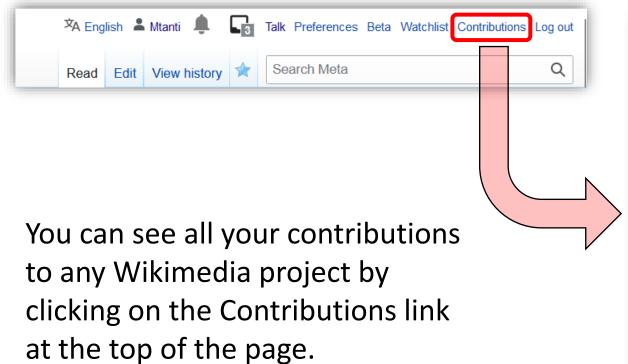
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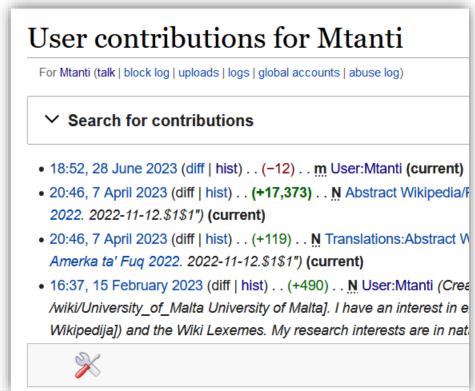
Radio button to choose which versions to compare together (see what changed from one version to the other).

Openness

- All your changes are public!
 - If you make a mistake, you can fix it but can't hide that you did it.
 - Embarrassing mistakes are a right of passage, but be careful.
- This promotes openness and transparency.
 - Even communication between Wikipedians is done on User Talk pages which are public.

Your contributions





Finding an article to create

- The Maltese Wikipedia has less than 6 000 articles (compare to other languages).
- We need more articles!
 - <u>Requested articles</u>: All the red links in Maltese Wikipedia (links that don't have an article).
 - Vital articles: Articles that every Wikipedia should have (these tend to require very long articles, but you can make a partial one).

Finding an article to fix

- Not everyone likes creating new articles. Some prefer to fix existing ones.
- We need better articles!
 - Stub articles: Maltese Wikipedia articles marked as being too short.
 - Articles that need updating: Maltese Wikipedia articles marked as needing an update.
 - Articles that need to be wikified: Maltese Wikipedia articles marked as needing to be wikified, that is, made to look like a proper Wikipedia article (more on this later).