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In the preface to the 1973 English translation [4] of his 1954 notes on locally convex spaces, Grothendieck wrote to the effect that the translation was verbatim and that no attempt had been made to update the notes since *nothing had happened in the theory of locally convex spaces* since the appearance of his notes twenty years earlier.

In his 1976 review of the translation, John Horváth wrote [8] “Even after twenty years, Grothendieck’s book is an elegant and refreshing introduction to topological vector spaces, and in spite of the fact that at least *ten* monographs have been written on the subject since 1954, it is probably the best text book to use in a course.”

Horváth’s own book on the subject [9] appeared in 1966!

Continuing with Horváth on Grothendieck: “The proofs are at times concise or even omitted, but this enhances its value as a text book. An additional