

Network to Promote Linguistic Diversity

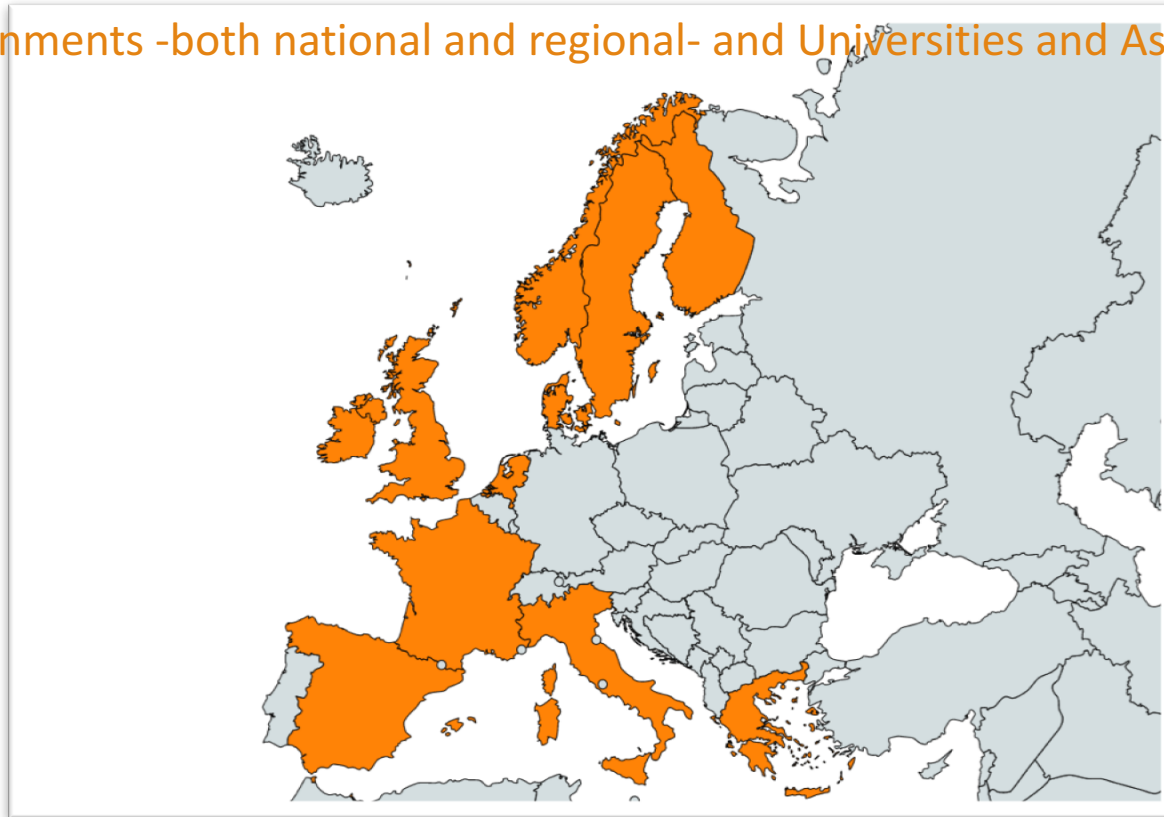
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o European network working in the field of language policy and planning for CRSS Languages

o It includes Governments -both national and regional- and Universities and Associations as its members



o The NPLD represents 17 European languages:

Catalan, Occitan, Gaelic, Irish, Basque, Galician,
Corsican, Breton, Welsh, Macedonian, Friulian, Frisian,
Ladin, Norwegian, Finnish, Sweddish,





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- It is the recognised voice in Europe protecting Constitutional, Regional and Small-state languages in the EU
 - It provides international visibility for regional languages in Europe, ensuring that it portrays all languages - regardless of number of speakers political status - as an opportunity for the personal, social and economic development of societies
 - It has high prestige with the European institutions such as the European Commission, the European Parliament and the Council of Europe
 - It promotes the sharing and exchange of best practices among its members, policy makers, practitioners, researchers and experts across Europe
 - It is a unique platform where you can have access to European experts and to the latest developments in language planning and management in Europe



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- It publishes reports developed by prominent European experts on the current issues in the context of lesser-used languages such as languages and migration, languages and the economy, etc.
 - It keeps members constantly updated on the latest developments through periodic policy briefings and reports on multilingualism
 - It provides opportunities for members to create working groups on specific topics
 - It offers advice on developing holistic, high quality strategic plans for your language, along with information and guidance on funding opportunities that are available at EU level
 - It has a proactive Secretariat in Brussels, a true European antenna to follow the latest developments on multilingualism in Europe and across the world



- NPLD monitors EU development on language issues from an interdisciplinary approach
- NPLD exchanges best practices and provides advice in language related issues
- NPLD promotes understanding, collaboration and partnerships in field of linguistic diversity
- NPLD works in close collaboration with the European Parliament and informs the European Commission on CRSS language development
- NPLD acts as an advisory capacity to EU institutions, autonomous governments, research centres and associations on all aspects of language policy, language promotion and regeneration
- NPLD represents all CRSS language communities, with a special regard for those that are endangered or that face conditions that may endanger or hinder language development



2015 European Roadmap for linguistic diversity:

- To reaffirm “the European Union’s commitment to linguistic diversity”
- To ensure “that the languages spoken in Europe, international, national, regional, minority, endangered and migrant languages are seen as common assets which need to be supported, promoted and protected
- Well thought-out policies and initiatives are called for
- Contains four major practical lines of action the European Union and Institutions should undertake to safeguard minority languages



2015 European Roadmap for linguistic diversity: lines of action

- The European Union adopts a holistic multilingualism policy which includes the range of languages spoken in Europe
- Languages play a determinant role on social cohesion, personal, social and economic development as well as for mobility
- Information and Communication Technologies are used to enhance language learning, promotion and visibility of all languages
- Support is provided for Regional, Minority and Endangered Languages in Europe; the most vulnerable languages of Europe

'All languages are the expression of a collective identity and of a distinct way of perceiving reality and must therefore be able to enjoy the conditions required for their development in all functions'

Article 7, Universal Declaration of Linguistic Rights