Languages matter – now more than ever!

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Europe in crisis?

- **«Rightwing populism is on the march – but the EU can't even win enough support to impose sanctions »** (Guardian, UK)

- **« Turquie : le principal parti prokurde dénonce la « fin de la démocratie », »** (Le Monde, France)

- **«Dos nuevos naufragios elevan a más de 4.000 los muertos en el Mediterráneo este año»** (El Periódico, Spain)

- **«A century after the Somme, another war now seems less unimaginable»** (Guardian, UK)

  « La déshumanisation de l'autre est inquiétante»

  Yves Daccord, Director of International Red Cross

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The Council of Europe

www.coe.int

➢ **Founded 1949**

➢ **Geographically largest European institution in the area of intergovernmental co-operation**

➢ **47 member states**

Areas of action

- ▪ **Human rights**
- ▪ **Democracy**
- ▪ **Rule of Law**

SECURING DEMOCRACY THROUGH EDUCATION

COMPETENCES FOR DEMOCRATIC CULTURE

NO HATE

#NoHateNoFear

Charter on Education for Democratic Citizenship and Human Rights Education

Do not get confused

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Council of Europe   ≠   European Council   ≠   European Union

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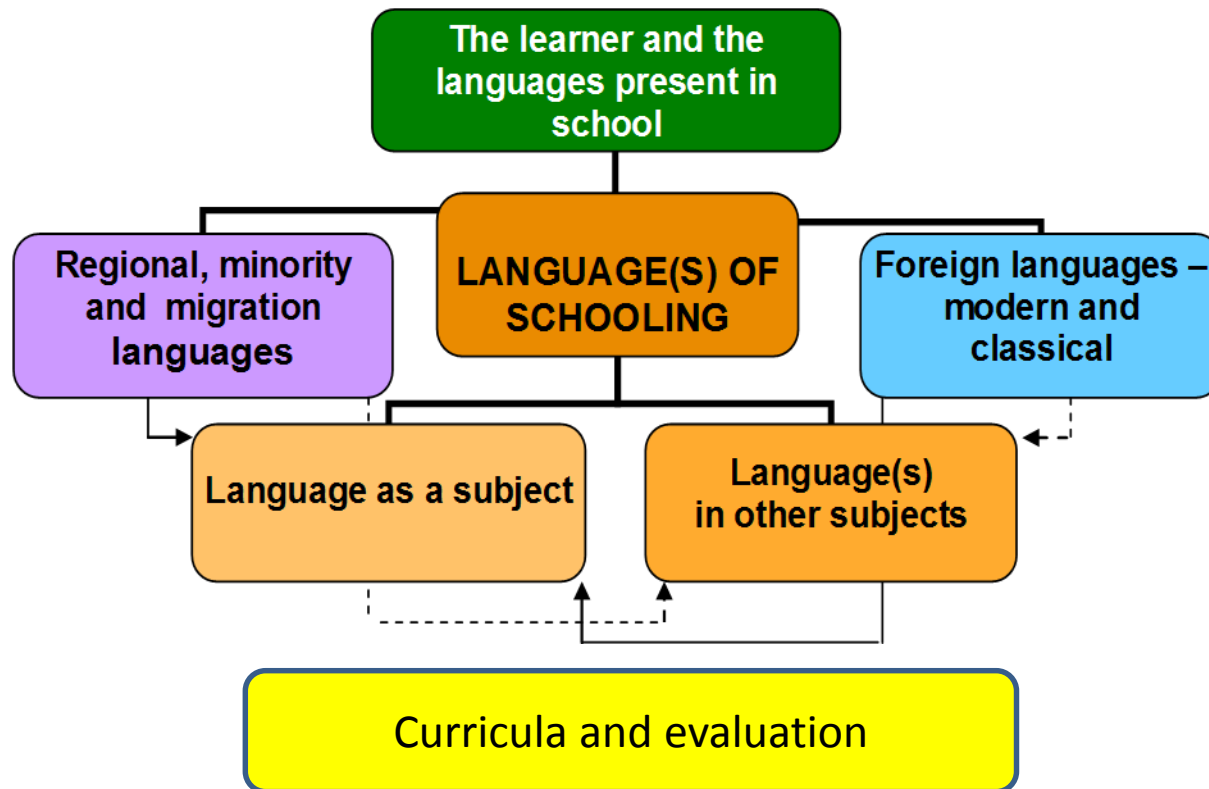
The wider political context

- **Report from the Secretary General: State of democracy, human rights and the rule of law in Europe, Council of Europe (2016)**

- **Council of Europe Action Plans for building inclusive societies/ against extremism and radicalization (2016-19)**

- **European Union Paris Declaration promoting citizenship, common values of freedom, tolerance and non-discrimination (March 2015)**

- **European Union conclusions on multilingualism and the development of language competences (May 2014)**

- **Recommendations of the Committee of Ministers of the Council of Europe to member States**

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The Council of Europe and languages

The learner and the languages present in school

Regional, minority and migration languages

LANGUAGE(S) OF SCHOOLING

Foreign languages – modern and classical

Language as a subject

Language(s) in other subjects

Curricula and evaluation

Language education contributing to democracy

http://www.coe.int/t/dg4/linguistic/langeduc/le_platformintro_EN.asp

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ECML: who we are and what we do

An enlarged Partial Agreement
of the Council of Europe with 33 member states; founded in Graz, Austria in 1994

Mission
innovation in language learning and teaching; implementation of effective language education policies

Key target audience
decision-makers, teacher-trainers, language teachers

4 year programmes
of international projects and bilateral training and consultancy
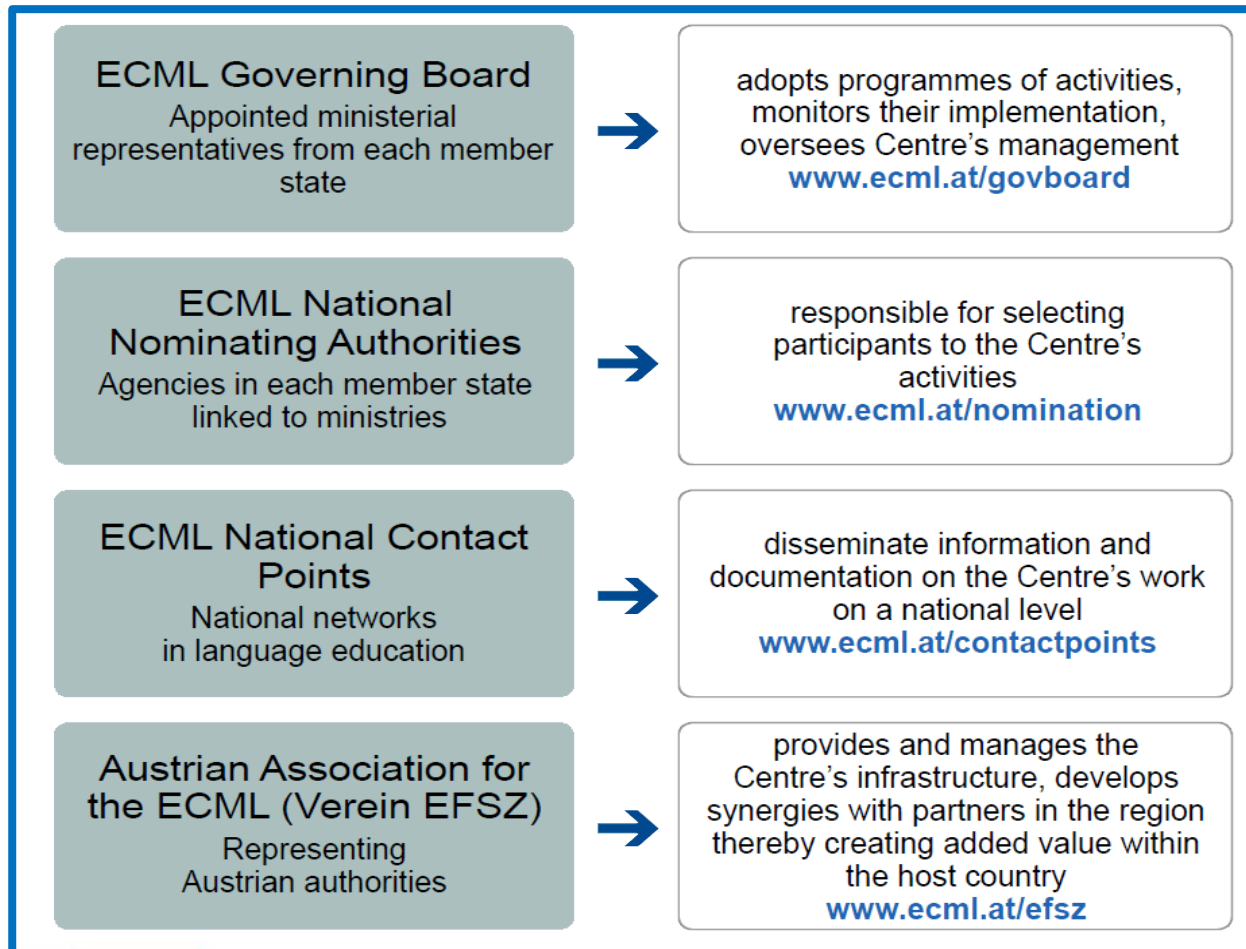
Our vision

A Europe committed to linguistic and cultural diversity, where the key role of quality language education in achieving intercultural dialogue, democratic citizenship and social cohesion is recognised and supported.

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ECML Structure

ECML Governing Board
Appointed ministerial representatives from each member state

→ adopts programmes of activities, monitors their implementation, oversees Centre's management
www.ecml.at/govboard

ECML National Nominating Authorities
Agencies in each member state linked to ministries

→ responsible for selecting participants to the Centre's activities
www.ecml.at/nomination

ECML National Contact Points
National networks in language education

→ disseminate information and documentation on the Centre's work on a national level
www.ecml.at/contactpoints

Austrian Association for the ECML (Verein EFSZ)
Representing Austrian authorities

→ provides and manages the Centre's infrastructure, develops synergies with partners in the region thereby creating added value within the host country
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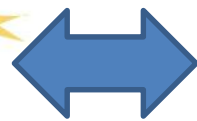CONSEIL DE L'EUROPE

The [Professional Network Forum](#) of the ECML

ECML – tapping into the finest expertise from across the world

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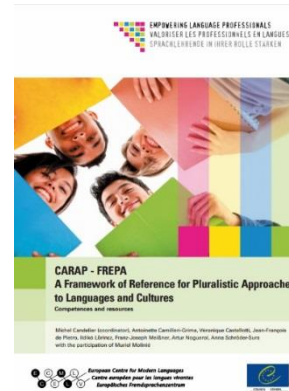
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Language challenges ⟷ ECML Resources

For teacher educators and teachers

European Portfolio for pre-primary educators

The European Portfolio for student teachers of languages

A framework of reference for pluralistic approaches to languages and cultures

Teaching the language of schooling in the context of diversity

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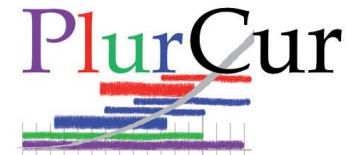# Language challenges ⬌ ECML Resources

For teacher educators and teachers

PARENTS

A resource website with ideas for involving parents in their children's language education and explaining the benefits

EMPOWERING LANGUAGE PROFESSIONALS
VALORISER LES PROFESSIONNELS EN LANGUES
SPRACHLEHRENDE IN IHRER ROLLE STÄRKEN

Plurilingualism and pluriculturalism in content-based teaching
A training kit

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Content-based teaching + plurilngual/cultural awareness: a training kit

eDUCO miGrant

An online course to enhance young learners' plurilingual competences, including their command of the language of schooling

PlurCur

Case-studies from across Europe illustrating how to develop and implement whole-school language projects

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MOBILITY PROGRAMMES FOR SUSTAINABLE PLURILINGUAL AND INTERCULTURAL LEARNING
PROGRAMMES DE MOBILITÉ POUR UN APPRENTISSAGE PLURILINGUE ET INTERCULTUREL DURABLE

Practical resources to support plurilingual and intercultural learning before, during and after mobility activities

A pluriliteracies approach to teaching for learning

language descriptors

Language skills for successful subject learning : CEFR-linked descriptors for mathematics and history
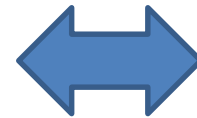
LACS

An online searchable directory of language associations; ideas bank for how to raise awareness of ECML resources and adapt these to local contexts

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CEFR and ELP implementation ⬌ ECML resources

Assessment of young learner literacy linked to the CEFR (AYLLit)

CEFR – level estimation grid for teachers (CEFESTIM)

ELP in whole-school use

Encouraging the culture of evaluation among professionals (ECEP)

Formative classroom assessment linked to the CEFR

Using the ELP: dedicated ECML website

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ICT :: REV

ECML inventory of ICT tools and open educational resources

Welcome to the inventory of freely available online tools and open educational resources for language teaching and learning developed by the ICT-REV project! The inventory contains a list of tools that have been evaluated with sound pedagogical criteria in mind. **read more**

66 results found

Moodle (course management system or VLE-virtual learning environment)

view details

Zaption (video editing)

view details

Voki (talking through avatars)

view details

Powerpoint Online (cloud-based presentation tool)

view details

padlet

view details

Padlet (online collaborative platform)

Filter

Principal functions(s)

☐ Audio record/edit/share
☐ Blogging
☐ Bookmarking
☐ Citation manager
☐ Course management
☐ Dictionary
☐ File sharing/syncing
☐ Flashcard
☐ Games apps
☐ Graphic organizer
☐ Image sharing
☐ Mind mapping
☐ News aggregator
☐ Note taking
☐ Podcast aggregator
☐ Polling
☐ Poster creator
☐ Question/answer management
☐ Quiz maker
☐ Screen capture
☐ Slide presenting
☐ Social networking
☐ Thesaurus
☐ Timeline creator
☐ Translation tool
☐ Url shortener
☐ Video record/edit/share
☐ Vocabulary trainer
☐ Website creator
☐ Wiki

Type of Interaction

☐ Group/pair work - classmates
☐ Group/pair work - outsiders
☐ Individual work
☐ One to many (e.g. lecturing, storytelling)
☐ Many to one (e.g. commenting, rating, peer review)

Language Skills

☐ Listening
☐ Speaking
☐ Reading
☐ Writing
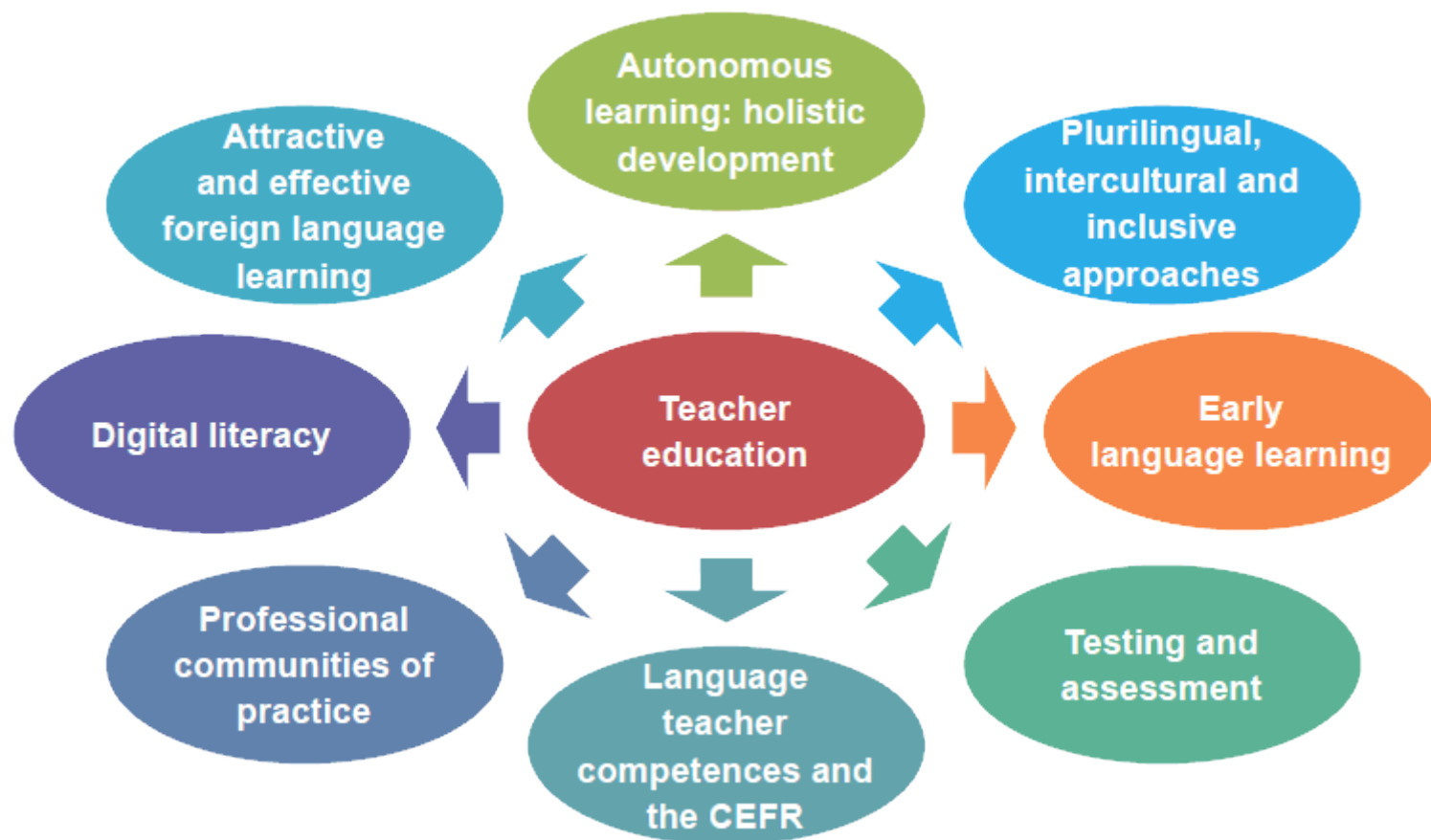☐ Vocabulary
☐ Grammar
☐ Pronunciation

Primary User

☐ Teacher
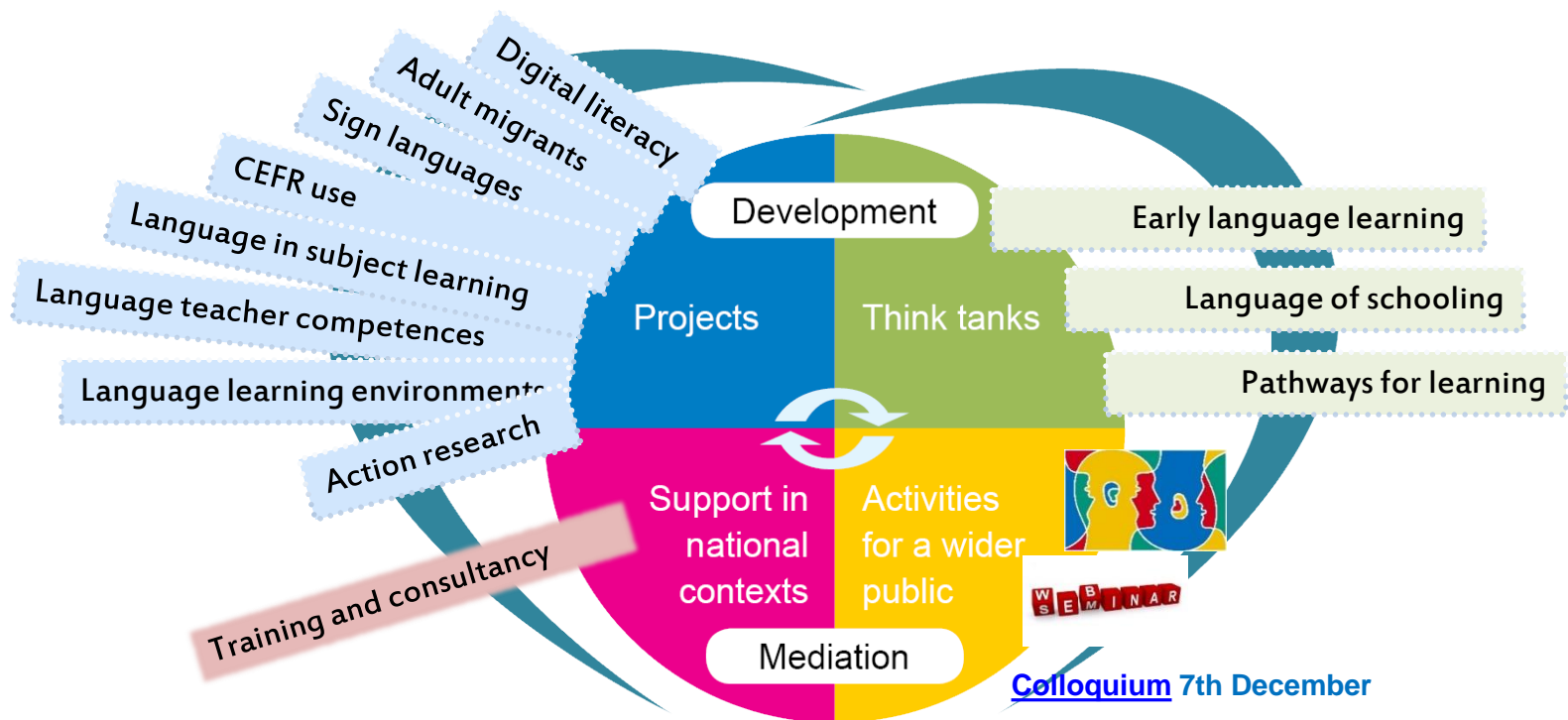☐ Student

Content

☐ You supply
☐ Website/other users supply

Current priorities in ECML member states

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Digital literacy

Adult migrants

Sign languages

CEFR use

Language in subject learning

Language teacher competences

Language learning environments

Action research

Training and consultancy

Development

Projects

Think tanks

Early language learning

Language of schooling

Pathways for learning

Support in national contexts

Activities for a wider public

Mediation

Colloquium 7th December

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ECML training and consultancy
for member states

Targeted, tailored support to address national challenges

- Supporting Multilingual Classrooms*
- Plurilingual education
- Testing and Assessment (RELANG)*
- Quality education in Romani
- Quality assurance in language and citizenship courses

- Language teacher education
- Content and Language Integrated Learning
- Use of ICT in support of language teaching and learning
- Plurilingual and intercultural learning through mobility
- Using the European Language Portfolio

* in cooperation with the European Commission

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European Day of Languages

On the dedicated EDL website:

- **A wealth of free resources in 36 languages; online games to test your knowledge and skills in different languages, including sign language**

- **Language trivia, idioms, "false friends", palindromes, tongue-twisters and many other similarities and differences within Europe's rich linguistic panorama**

- **A calendar and interactive map showing EDL events all over the world**
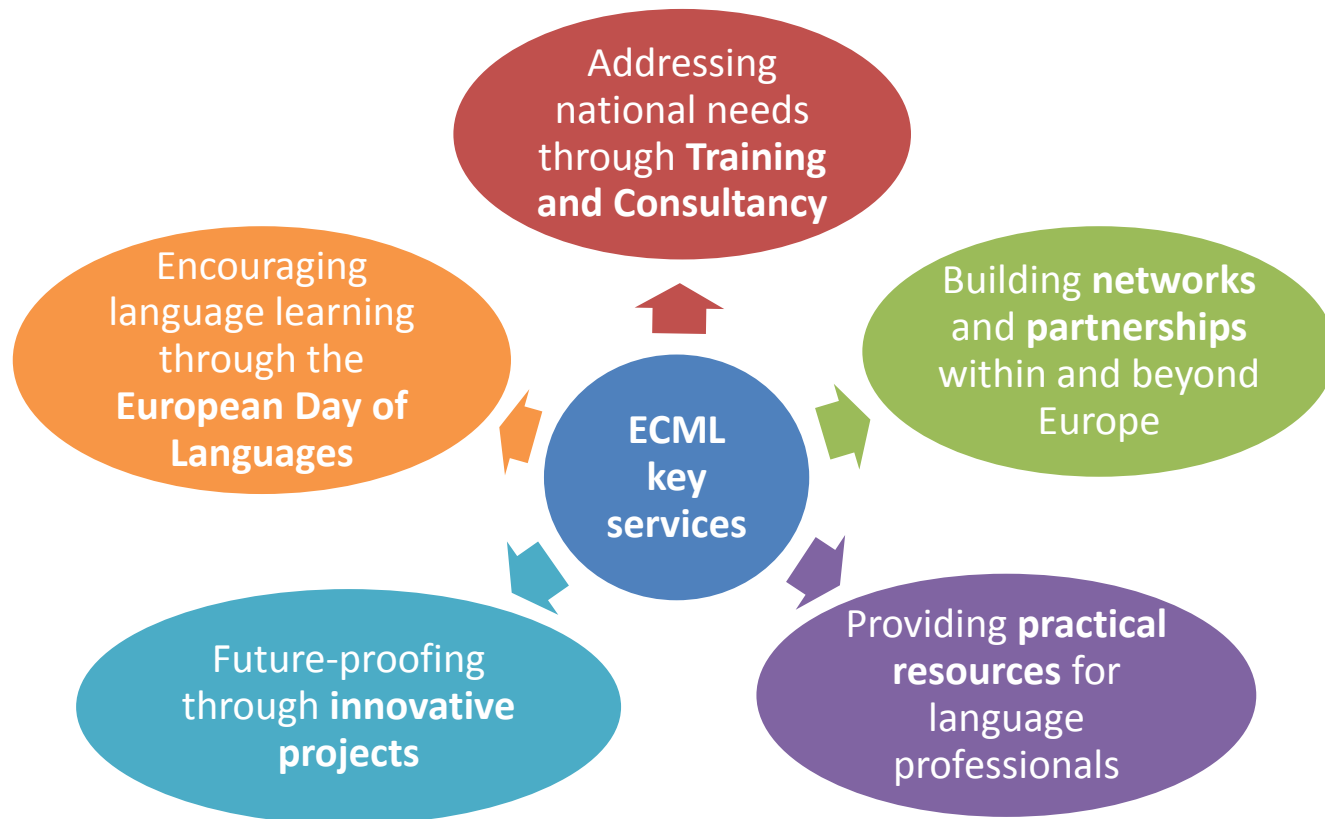
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Addressing national needs through **Training and Consultancy**

Encouraging language learning through the **European Day of Languages**

Building **networks** and **partnerships** within and beyond Europe

ECML key services

Future-proofing through **innovative projects**

Providing **practical resources** for language professionals

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« *Knowledge of languages is the doorway to wisdom* » Roger Bacon

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