

**Question for written answer E-002490/2022
to the Commission**

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Subject: Exclusion of European minority languages from the OLS digital platform

Online Linguistic Support (OLS) is a free digital language learning platform designed for participants of the Erasmus+ and European Solidarity Corps programmes. Participants use the platform to do the compulsory language assessment before and after their stay, as well as optional courses during their stay. Evaluations are available in the 24 official languages of the European Union, while courses are provided in 22 languages.

On 1 July, the new OLS platform became operational via the EU Academy platform. In addition to the 24 official languages, this version also includes Icelandic, Norwegian, Macedonian, Serbian and Turkish. But Basque, Catalan and Galician, which are official languages of Spain, have not been included, despite the fact that public universities offer degrees in these languages. Under proposal 4 'Culture and Exchanges', the Conference on the Future of Europe endorsed the promotion of multilingualism and additional protection for regional and minority languages.

In view of the above:

1. Why are these languages not included on the OLS platform?
2. Are there plans to include them?
3. Is this exclusion consistent with the *acquis communautaire*, the conclusions of the Conference on the Future of Europe, and the legal status, educational provision and number of speakers of these languages?