## Question for written answer E-000724/2023 to the Commission

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Subject: Exclusion of Catalan, Basque and Galician from the Erasmus+ Online Language Support

platform

On 16 February 2023, representatives of the Basque, Galician and Balearic Islands Governments, and the Vives network of universities from Catalan-speaking territories, met with the European Parliament. The speakers voiced their concerns over the harm and discrimination caused by the exclusion of Catalan, Basque and Galician (languages with official status in their territories and used in their universities) from the Erasmus+ Online Language Support (OLS) platform. They said that the Spanish Government had already formally requested their inclusion. They also pointed out that, in informal contacts, the Commission had mentioned 'technical and administrative problems' in integrating these languages into the platform, despite the fact that these regions offered digital teaching resources and financial support to facilitate their immediate inclusion.

- 1. Has the Commission received the request to include these languages in the OLS platform from the Spanish Government?
- 2. If so, when will it include them in the platform?
- 3. Is it aware of the damage caused by this exclusion to the education systems in question and the disinformation to which Erasmus+ students are being subjected?

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