

Network for multilingualism and linguistic diversity in Europe Netzwerk für Mehrsprachigkeit und sprachliche Vielfalt in Europa

First regional conference of the network *RML2future* in February 2010

Together with the German-speaking Community in Belgium the Network for Multilingualism and Linguistic Diversity (RML2future) organises its first regional conference in Eupen, Belgium from the 8th - 10th February 2010. The aim of the network is to promote multilingualism and linguistic diversity in Europe, actively involving the regional and minority languages.

The conference, which will be dedicated to certification and assessment of language competences, will be the first of a series of expert meetings. It is supported by the minister of education of the German-speaking Community, Oliver Paasch.

The objective of the experts meetings is to contribute to the exploitation of the potential in regional education by bringing together practitioners, experts and decision makers and to cooperate on the European level.

The multilingual regions that are involved in the project, namely from Germany, Denmark, Austria, Belgium and Italy will be invited to the congress, as well as other European minorities and regions that are interested.

Please **register** for the congress **until the 15th of January 2010** at Edgar Hungs or Judith Walde:

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Information about the network RML2future

The network RML2future is dedicated to the promotion of multilingualism and linguistic diversity in Europe, actively involving regional and minority languages (RML).

The main aim of the network is to promote the Europe objective of multilingualism, namely that each European citizen learns his own mother language and two additional languages. The network does so by using the European regional and minority languages and trying to exploit this resource of natural bilingualism and multilingualism. The potential of multilingual regions should be used in order to reach the European objective and in regard to the value of multilingualism and its positive effect for the preservation of linguistic diversity.



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In order to use the regional potential for education the network, in cooperation between practitioners, experts and decision makers, wants to create language-friendly environments in the regions, including the minority languages. It does so by building up know-how in the field of language planning and language policy amongst those people who are involved.

For this on a regular basis expert conferences are organised within the three years duration of the network, which is supported by the European Union.

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