



we actively promote  
European co-operation between institutions of higher education  
in the area of languages

who we are

- CEL-ELC is an international non-profit organisation under Belgian law;
- founded 1997 with support from the European Commission;
- **a key contributor to the development of language education and policy in Europe;**
- over 100 member institutions (universities and polytechnics, public institutions, individual members) from some 35 countries;
- 4 working groups on: Languages and Education; Languages and Rights; Languages and Science; Multilingualism in Africa

what we do

- identify new issues and new cultural, social and professional needs and raise awareness of them;
- initiate and support projects in education, training and research;
- promote linguistic diversity and raise awareness of its importance in the production and transmission of knowledge;
- **provide a forum for debate for all institutions of higher education, in dialogue with European and national institutions.**

activities

- Conference on language-related topics in uneven years;
- discussion Forum in even years;
- **working groups preparing projects;**
- peer-reviewed journal: *European Journal for Language Policy / Revue européenne de politique linguistique;*
- yearly General Assembly for all members.

EU-funded projects

The CEL-ELC has initiated or collaborated in **nearly 20 EU-funded projects**, under Life Long Learning or Framework programmes

- ✦ DIALANG – Diagnostic language testing
- ✦ LANQUA – Language Network for Quality Assurance
- ✦ LINQ – Languages in Corporate Quality
- ✦ CELAN – Language strategies for Competitiveness and Employability
- ✦ MAGICC – Modularising Multilingual and Multicultural Academic Communication Competence
- ✦ INTLUNI – The challenges of the multilingual multicultural learning space
- ✦ SPEAQ – Sharing Practice in Enhancing and Assuring Quality
- ✦ DYLAN – Dynamics of Languages and management of diversity
- ✦ MIME – Mobility and Inclusion in Multilingual Europe

and many other projects, both  
in the past and in the future

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Access a variety of projects and working groups on multilingualism

Get support from a large network

Meet and work with like-minded colleagues and experts within the field of multilingualism

Get invited to our Fora and Conferences

Get a free copy of our journal

Contribute to language policy and help promote linguistic diversity

The Conseil Européen pour les Langues - European Language Council (CEL-ELC) was founded in 1997, with support from the European Commission, by a group of leading European universities and associations, upon an initiative by prof. Wolfgang Mackiewicz from the Freie Universität Berlin, its Honorary President.

It is a permanent and independent non-profit association that commits itself to the improvement of knowledge of the languages and cultures of the European Union and beyond. As Europe continues to undergo rapid and profound changes resulting from increasing integration, digitisation, immigration and globalisation, there is an unprecedented need for effective communication across linguistic and cultural boundaries. Working towards much needed improvement and innovation in the field of language studies, the CEL-ELC provides the framework and the conditions necessary for policy development and for the joint launch of co-operative initiatives.

The current President of the CEL-ELC is prof. Maria Teresa Zanola from the Università cattolica del Sacro Cuore in Milan.

Membership is open to all institutions of higher education, all national, European and international associations and all professional individuals with a special interest in languages.

Our efforts would not be possible without the collaboration of our committed partners:

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