

EU Languages Day: Regional & Minority Languages Enriching Diversity



Tuesday,
29 September 2026



16:30 – 17:30



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Programme

16.30 – 16.32	Welcome Loránt Vincze , Chair of the Minority Intergroup
16.32 – 16.40	Opening of the Exhibition Roberta Metsola , President of the European Parliament
16.40 – 16.45	Musical Performance Songs in Csángó Hungarian by Panna Katalin Demeter
16.45 – 16.50	Keynote Address Sabine Verheyen , First Vice-President of the European Parliament
16.50 – 16.55	Keynote Address Andriy Zayats , Head of the Office of the Council of Europe with the European Union in Brussels
16.55 – 17.00	Host Remarks Loránt Vincze , MEP and Chair of the Minority Intergroup
17.00 – 17.05	Voices from the minority communities Olivia Schubert , President of the Federal Union of European Nationalities (FUEN)
17.05 – 17.10	Musical Performance Frisian-language hip-hop by Pieter Gysbert Zijlstra
17.10 onwards	Guided Tour of the Exhibition

About the event

Europe's linguistic diversity is a defining feature of its cultural and social fabric. Alongside the 24 official languages of the European Union, regional and minority languages are an integral part of Europe's cultural heritage and contribute to its linguistic and cultural diversity.

The European Day of Languages provides an opportunity to celebrate this rich heritage and promote multilingualism and intercultural dialogue. Hosted by Loránt Vincze, Member of the European Parliament, this event includes an exhibition developed with the contribution of the Federal Union of European Nationalities (FUEN), the largest umbrella organisation representing traditional national and linguistic minorities in Europe. Through an exhibition and opening remarks, the event will showcase the richness of regional and minority languages across Europe and highlight the European Parliament's commitment to multilingualism, cultural diversity and inclusion.