

LANGUAGE MATTERS



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MULTILINGUAL PARLIAMENT

why?



// All Members shall have the right to speak in Parliament
in the official language of their choice. //

Rules of Procedure of the European Parliament – Article 167



// *Members' language-related rights shall be [...] guaranteed on the basis of the principles governing 'resource-efficient full multilingualism'* //

Code of Conduct on Multilingualism – Article 1

Italian
German
French
Dutch

1958

1973

English
Danish

Greek

1981

Portuguese
Spanish

1986

Finnish
Swedish

1995

Estonian
Czech
Hungarian
Lithuanian
Latvian
Maltese
Polish
Slovak
Slovene

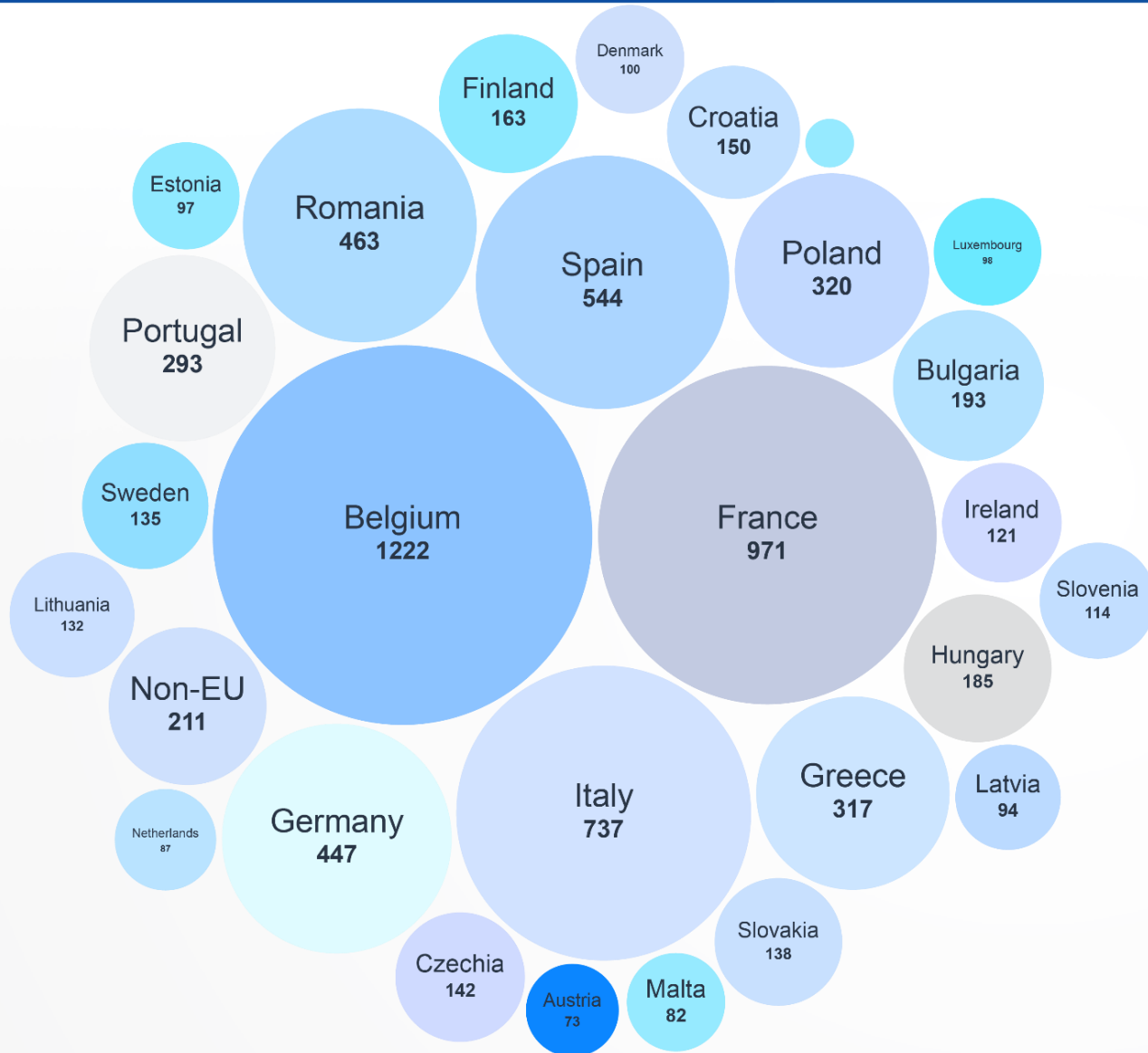
2004

Bulgarian
Irish
Romanian

2007

Croatian

2013



MULTILINGUALISM AS A WORKING ENVIRONMENT

EU CAREER PROFILES



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LANGUAGE PROFESSIONALS

- 250 staff interpreters
- 1500 freelance interpreters
- 600 translators
- 75 lawyer linguists
- 450 communicators



TWENTY-FOUR LANGUAGES,
ONE EUROPE

VINGT-QUATRE LANGUES, UNE EUROPE

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obrigado
Dakujem
آون
dziękuję
Xièxiè
спасибо
நன்றி
ngiyabonga
tānan.
ขอบคุณ
ركش
gracias
dēkuji
diolch
nandri
감사합니다
భవానా
ευχαριστώ
mahalo
thank you
terima kasih
хвала
Благодарам
pasalamatan
dankon
köszönöm
dank u
dhanyavād
choukrane
merci
teşekkür ederim
mulțumesc
Dank
Mh'gōi
הודות
благодаря
danke
kop khun
Дякую