

Module 1 European Studies through Digital European Languages Policies

Practical workshop No. 4

Topic 4: Case Studies on European Language Revitalization Programs

Part 1: Theoretical Questions

1. What are the key challenges in revitalizing minority and endangered languages in Europe?
2. How do EU policies support language revitalization efforts?
3. What role do educational institutions play in language revitalization?
4. How do digital tools contribute to the revitalization of minority languages?
5. What is the significance of intergenerational language transmission in revitalization programs?
6. How does community involvement impact the success of language revitalization initiatives?
7. What are some best practices from successful language revitalization programs in Europe?
8. How do economic and political factors influence the revitalization of minority languages?
9. What is the role of bilingual education in preserving and promoting minority languages?
10. How does media (TV, radio, online platforms) contribute to language revitalization?

Part 2: Practical Questions

1. **Case Study Analysis:** Choose a European language revitalization program (e.g., for Breton, Basque, Welsh, Sámi, or Cornish) and analyze its strategies, successes, and challenges.
2. **Comparative Task:** Compare two language revitalization programs in different EU countries. What similarities and differences can you identify?
3. **Policy Review:** Evaluate an EU-funded language revitalization initiative and its impact on local communities.
4. **Data Interpretation:** Analyze census data on the number of speakers of an endangered European language over time. What trends do you see?
5. **Critical Thinking:** Debate whether minority language revitalization should be a government-funded priority.
6. **Digital Tools Exploration:** Test a digital platform (e.g., SaySomethinginWelsh, Duolingo for Irish) and assess its effectiveness in supporting language learning.
7. **Interactive Task:** Create a promotional campaign (poster, video, or blog post) encouraging the revitalization of a specific European minority language.
8. **Community Engagement:** Research a local or online language revitalization initiative and propose ways to enhance its impact.
9. **Legislation Interpretation:** Summarize key points from the European Charter for Regional or Minority Languages and discuss its implementation in a specific country.
10. **Future Perspectives:** Design a language revitalization program for an endangered language, outlining its main objectives, activities, and expected outcomes.

