### Language revitalization in Europe

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## 1. European overview

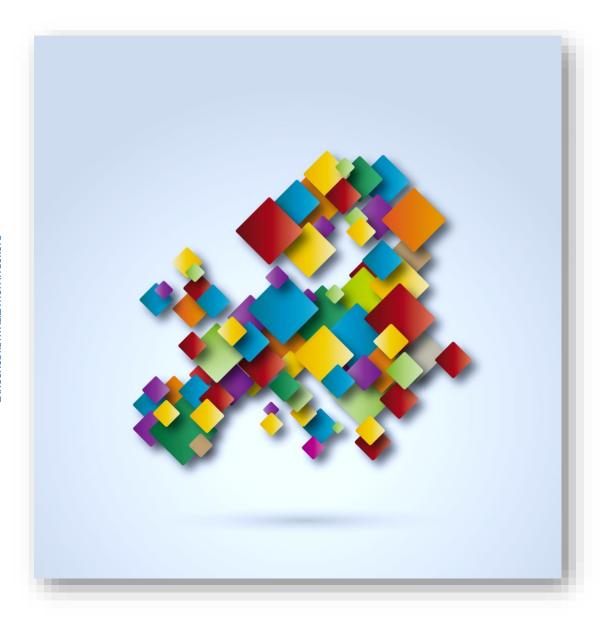




## DIFFERENT KIND OF LANGUAGES:

- 1. STATE / EU LANGUAGES
- 2. OTHER NATIVE LANGUAGES
- 3. CROSS-BORDER LANGUAGES
- 4. ESTABLISHED LANGUAGE GROUPS
- 5. LANGUAGES OF MIGRANTS





#### **HOW TO DEAL WITH DIVERSITY?**

#### **SUPRA-ESTATE**

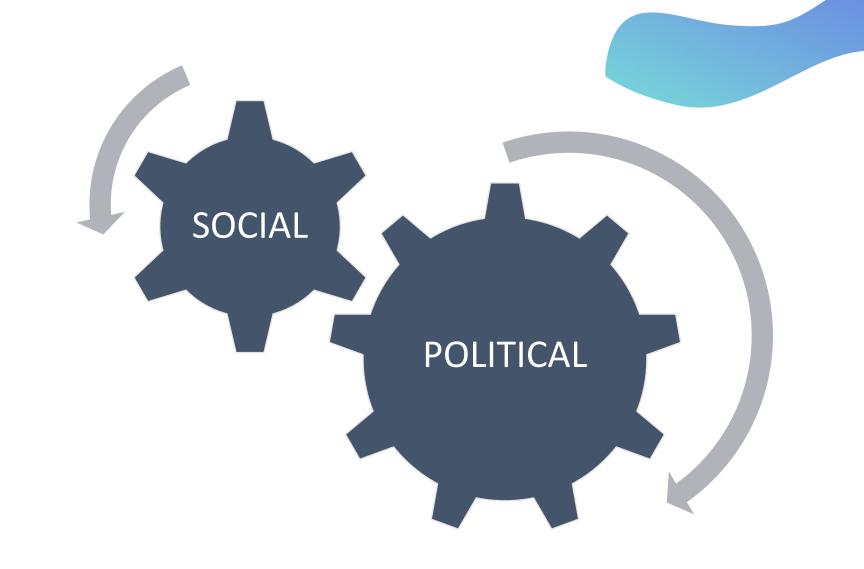




#### **INTRA-ESTATE:**

Five different models







Create speakers

Create tools

Create spaces

Claim & reivindicate





## ELEN EUROPEAN LANGUAGE EQUALITY NETWORK







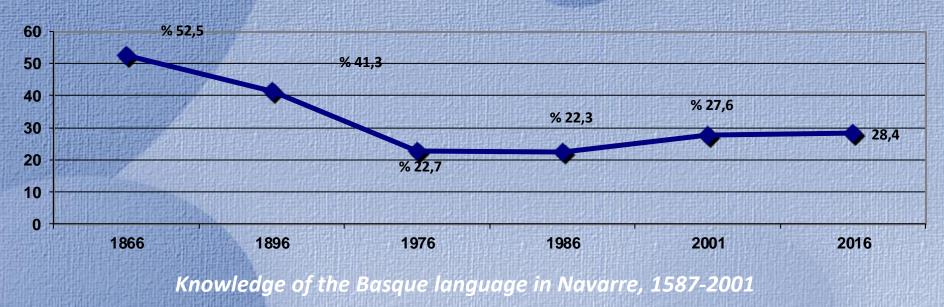
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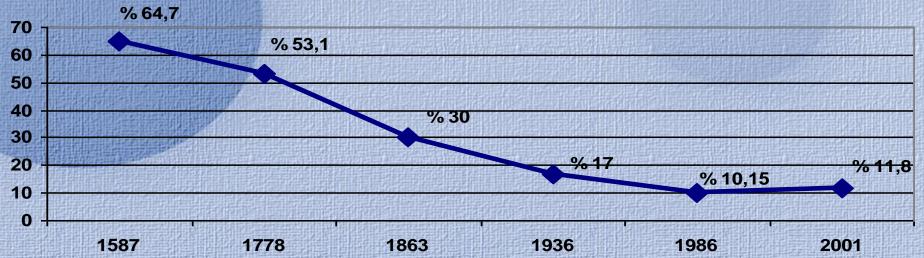






#### Knowledge of the Basque language in tha Basque Country, 1886-2016







# XXth century: two strong processes of language substitution

The grammar and spelling of the Spanish Academy will be compulsory and unique in this material in public education.

Law of Moyano, 1857

Strict orders are to be given that the Basque language should never be spoken amongst these people but that it be Spanish.

Aiako eskritura, 1784

... and the French language will be imparted by a master in each country community of the departaments in Corsica... and in those parts of the Basses-Pyrénées where the inhabitants speak a foreign language. Pact on regional languages, 1794

The common language in rural communities is Basque, a tongue foreign to the French language, which is neither spoken nor understood by the children in these communities.

This is why we believe that an express order is necessary to rigorously force schoolmasters in areas where the dialect is spoken to always speak in French to their pupils.

Tableau de l'instruction Primaire en France, 183

The National Language. The Spanish language, a fundamental part of the Hispanic community, will be compulsory and the object of special care and attention

..

Revised text on Primary Education, February 2, 1967

National School teachers who, in their schools, forbid, abandon or put difficulties in the way of the teaching of the official language in those regions where another language is conserved, will be subject to disciplinary action

Real Order, October 27, 1924



To the question, So, will the secondary school certificate of education be taken in Basque or Catalan?, My answer is:

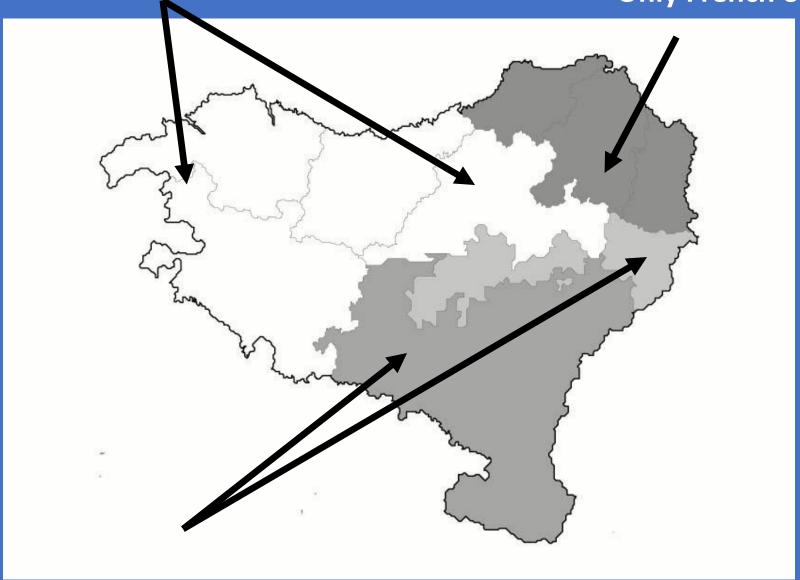
The question – forgive me - is idiotic. In the first place, find me a teacher who can teach nuclear chemistry in Basque

A. Suárez, President of the Spanish Government in 1976



#### **Both Basque and Spanish officials**

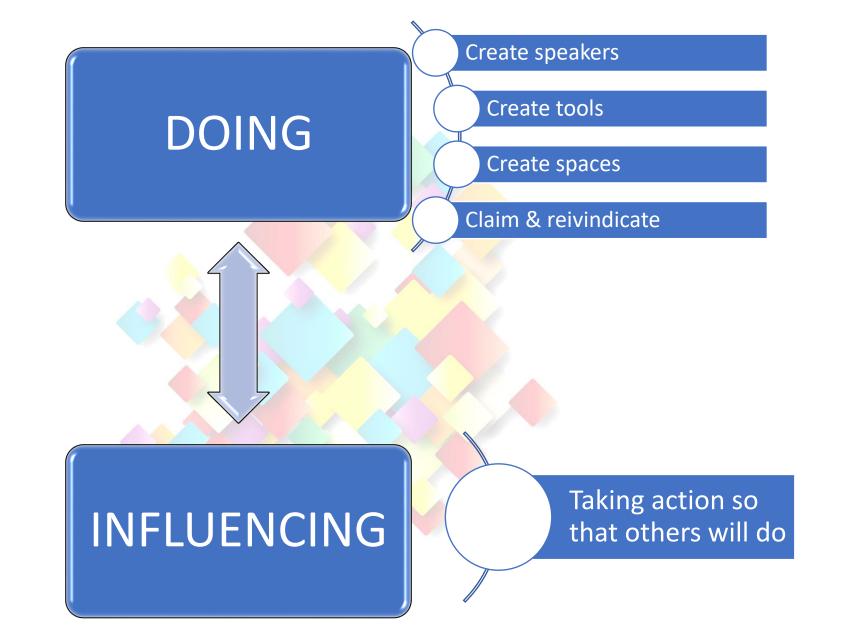
#### **Only French official**





## 3. Pro-basque language organized civil society







## Doing

- More than 40 local media
- One national newspaper
- Tens of *private* schools where Basque-language is vehicular-language
- Promotion of Basque-vehicular language educational model in public schools
- More than 100 centers for learning Basque to adults
- Specific publications: Science, literature
- Translation into and from Basque language
- Promotion the Basque language in hundreds of private companies
- Denounce and activism





## Doing









#### MAPSA S.COOP.

**EUSKARA PLANA** 



**FARORANTZ** 

**VIRGINIA WOOLF** ANTON GARIKANO



















## Influencing

#### SOCIAL ARENA

Awareness campaigns

Motivation

Pride

#### POLITICAL ARENA

Analysis of language policies

Analysis of practices in municipalities

Complaints to international bodies: UN, CoE etc

Direct questioning with the institutions, political parties, social partners, etc.

Publication of concrete proposals to change the language policies



Igualtat per a les Ilengües a l'audiovisual



LANGUAGE RIGHTS OF BASQUE SPEAKERS

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Proposal on teaching multilingual students

















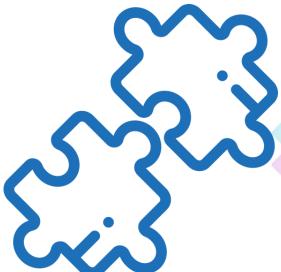


**Political** 

consensus

## Let's join to change

Social consensus









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