LangOER (2014 – 2016) is a European network focused on enhancing the linguistic and cultural components of Open Educational Resources (OERs) and Open Educational Practices (OEP)

The LangOER network tackles important questions such as:

In what ways can less used languages, including regional and minority languages, benefit from Open Educational Practices (OEP)?

How can we shape the OER field to better foster linguistic and cultural diversity in Europe?

What policies are most conducive for the uptake of quality OERs in less used language communities?

The LangOER network addresses these challenges and specifically targets the needs of three main groups: educators, policy makers and researchers.

EDUCATORS!

- **Participate** in our face-to-face and online training sessions in EL, EN, LV, LT, NL, PL, SE and Frisian

- **Explore** and boost the multilingual and interactive dimensions of the OER field

- **Access** multilingual and interactive OER

To support educators the network will:

Foster creation and uptake of OERs through awareness raising activities

Deliver training materials and provide training on OER/OEP to at least 200 European educators

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Work to overcome the monolingual and static propensity of OER by engaging teachers directly in guided creation of interactive multilingual learning resources

Embrace educators and stakeholders of regional and minority languages in remote areas to gain knowledge, develop skills and exchange good practices

Address language learning as a subject presently inadequately addressed in the OER field (speaking skills and teacher feedback)

POLICY MAKERS!

- **Benefit** from capacity building through expert pan-European events

- **Get** support to overcome barriers to OER uptake through consultation mechanisms

- **Strengthen** the role of languages in improving employability and competitiveness

To support policy makers the network will:

Raise awareness about OER and best practices for using and creating multilingual and interactive learning resources in Europe

Insure that the needs of regional/minority languages are heard on the international scene where OER experts meet and reflect

Fuel activity of well-established and successful pan-European instruments, such as European Schoolnet's Learning Resources Exchange (lreforschools.eun.org) and the policy focused European Schoolnet's Observatory (www.eun.org/observatory/)

RESERCHERS!

- **Access** an up-to-date picture of languages in which OER exist

- **Participate** in a learning community and expert network

- **Benefit** from the network's materials to innovative pedagogical and linguistic approaches

To support researchers the network will:

Map OER initiatives to offer an up-to-date picture of languages in which OER exist

Foster informal learning and community learning practices through moderated, sustained discussions within a social networking platform

Adopt a cross-sectorial and cross-linguistic approach to OER/OEP to enhance transferability

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LangOER's main outcomes will be published in EL, EN, LV, LT, NL, PL, SE and Frisian.

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