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Background Information
The Civil Society Platform to promote Multilingualism was launched by the European Commission in October 2009. Since then 29 selected member organisations*, active in the fields of culture, non-formal and informal education systems and media, interested in issues connected to multilingualism with a trans-national or European-wide dimension have delivered a set of recommendations to EU policy makers in order to improve multilingualism policy on EU, Members State and regional level.

Mobilising Civil Society to Promote Multilingualism: Poliglotti4.eu
The ongoing EC co-funded Poliglotti4.eu project, to which nine of the platform members have committed, is intended to set up an online Language Observatory until December 2012, designed to capture good practice and to conduct research in the following areas: local and regional provision of adult language training; language policy and practice in public services; early language learning. To ensure the dialogue with policy makers, stakeholders and the civil society, two conferences will be organised to disseminate the project results and thus guarantee the influence and participation of civil society in the European decision-making process.

The project Poliglotti4.eu is using art, culture and media to promote multilingualism addressing four major target groups: actors in non-formal education systems and social services, policy makers and grass-roots civil society organisations. In order to raise awareness of the importance of multilingualism in society at large, the project Poliglotti4.eu will also constitute a network of Ambassadors who are either well-known and multilingual, or particularly knowledgeable and active in the field of multilingualism in civil society. The website www.poliglotti4.eu is currently under construction.

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