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Comparative analysis of France and Spain language policy

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At the modern period of European integration, member states of the European Union faced with different challenges and menaces in political, economic, social and cultural spheres. Objectively, the language policy has different interpretations and depends on the peculiarity of language function: on the one hand, the language is a communicative means; on the other hand the language is an indication of national and cultural identity. Accordingly, the European Union and its member states position as multicultural and multilingual societies. The freedom of movement and open borders lead to mark out several languages for communication, it attracts the flows of migrants from former colonies of member states and Western Europe, who has a good knowledge of English, German, French or Spanish. The result of it is the place of language policy at the all levels of interpretation: from theory to applied analysis.

The aim of my researches is to compare the language policy of multilingualism inside the multicultural European society and countries: France and Spain.

Both of countries are historically multicultural and multilingual, but their language policy is a rather different. During the many years, the main tendency of language policy of France is to eradicate the dialects and minorities languages and spread the French in the country and outside the borders. The language policy of Spain is absolutely different and has a trend to preserve the native languages at the autonomous territories. At the modern period, countries faced with the multilingualism and multiculturalism, the flows of migrants with own culture and language become a big problem to cultural identity of Spanish and French people.

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