

**Item 1. HR and minority language education**  
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Buna ziua. I welcome you in the state language of Moldova and I speak on behalf of the Youth Platform of Interethnic Solidarity of Moldova. I am among few of my almost 30 classmates who after studying this language in school for 12 years possess it on the level which let them use it professionally. And this is systematic problem.

What are the consequences? Unemployment caused by inability to meet the linguistic demands of the job market, high level of migration of minority youth, non-equal participation in social and political life. Moreover, alarming divisions in the society alongside linguistic lines, denial of belonging to the state, hate speech. And we can continue the list.

Why does it happen? Because the government does not want to implement numerous recommendations not only by COS but also by SR on Minority Issues after visit in 2016 and ICESR: to revise the methodology of teaching the state language for minorities and guarantee the possibility to learn the state language for free and effectively.

We recommend to fully implement these recommendations.

Много благодаря, saao. I thank you for your attention in Bulgarian and Gagauz languages to which I have connections. Me, as many other Minority youth from Moldova do not know much of all their minority languages besides basic words.

Firstly, we recommend to implement recommendation given to Moldova gov by SR: to design and implement bilingual and multilingual education programmes to ensure that minorities can learn and receive instruction in their own language/mother tongue from kindergarten to university.

Secondly, we also recommend to introduce basic courses of minority languages for all to strengthen interethnic dialogue in the country.

Thirdly, we recommend to remove amendments to the Code of Education made in 2014 which lowered their standards of protection of mother languages.

Lastly, recommend SR to conduct a follow-up visit to Moldova and to Coe member states, EU to support establishment of the UN Fund for Minorities.