#### Languages in the Workplace

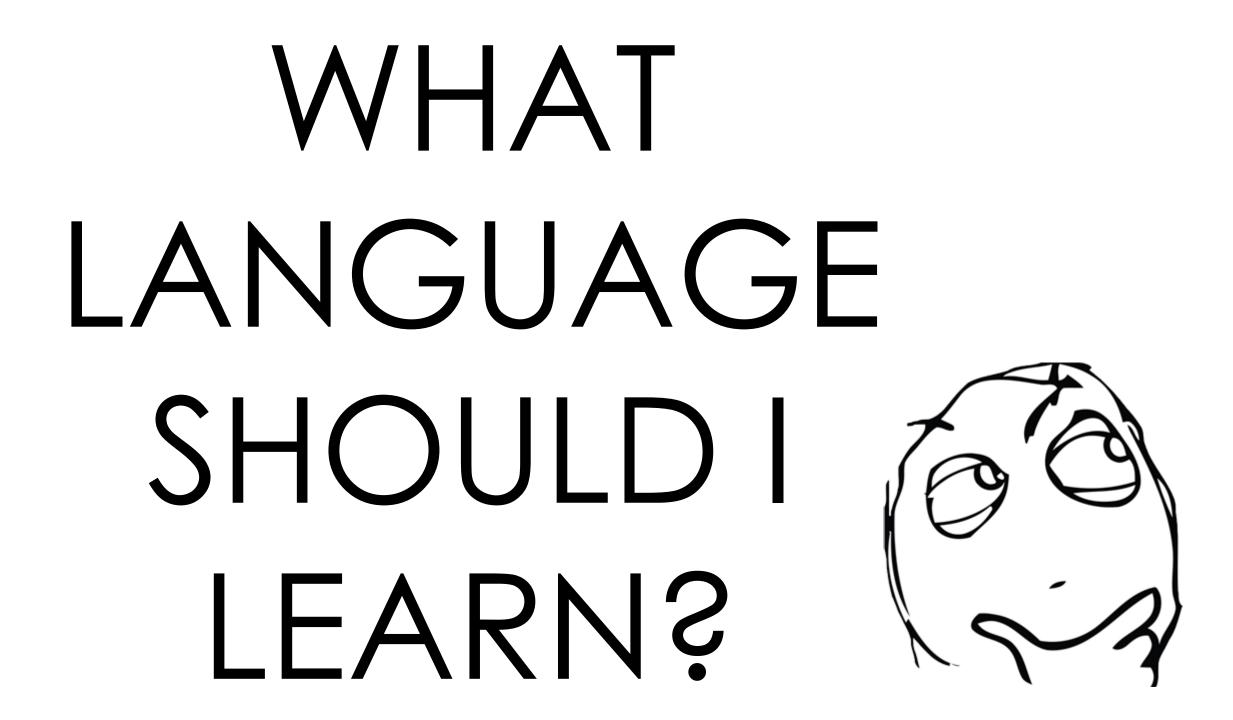
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# WHY SHOULD I LEARN ANOTHER 2 LANGUAGE?





#### Erasmus Programme









#### Languages on Aberdeen Harbour Expansion Project site



English Spanish French Portuguese Dutch German Finnish











# 2. WHY SHOULD I LEARN ANOTHER LANGUAGE... IF EVERYBODY SPEAKS ENGLISH !?

Rank 🜩	Language 🗢	Family \$	L1 speakers 🔶	L1 Rank 🜩	L2 speakers	L2 Rank	Total 🗢
1	Mandarin Chinese (incl. Standard Chinese)	Sino-Tibetan, Sinitic	897 million	1	193 million	4	1.09 billion
2	English	Indo-European, Germanic	371 million	3	611 million	1	982 million
3	Hindustani (Hindi/Urdu) <sup>[Note 1]</sup>	Indo-European, Indo- Aryan	329 million	4	215 million	2	544 million
4	Spanish	Indo-European, Romance	436 million	2	91 million	8	527 million
5	Arabic	Afro-Asiatic, Semitic	290 million (2017)	5	132 million	6	422 million <sup>[5][6]</sup>
6	Malay (incl. Indonesian and Malaysian)	Austronesian, Malayo- Polynesian	77 million (2007)	15	204 million	3	281 million <sup>[7]</sup>
7	Russian	Indo-European, Slavic	153 million	8	113 million (2010)	7	266 million
8	Bengali	Indo-European, Indo- Aryan	242 million	6	19 million in Bangladesh (2011)	13	261 million
9	Portuguese	Indo-European, Romance	218 million	7	11 million	15	229 million
10	French	Indo-European, Romance	76 million	17	153 million	5	229 million

# Native speakers: 330 to 360 million

- **Second Language:** 470 million to I billion
- Total speakers: About 1 billion

# World Population: 7.6 billion

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If you talk to him in his language, that goes to his heart. **Nelson Mandela** 

# 3.WHAT LANGUAGE SHOULD I Control Contr LEARN?

### Latin America Spanish and Portuguese

For countries such as: Argentina Brazil Guba Colombia Mexico

Peru

## Middle East / North Africa Arabic

For countries such as: Morocco Jnited Arab Emirates Qatar Egypt

### Western Europe West & Central Africa French

For countries such as: Belgium Luxembourg Switzerland Cameroon Mali Senegal



## Business Mandarin Chinese

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### Engineering German

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