



Help us protect minority languages says uTalk

LANGUAGES say something about our culture and our soul says language learning company uTalk.

Which is why the London-based company, which makes apps in 140+ languages, is worried about the number of endangered languages on the verge of becoming extinct.

“Languages are going extinct and regional differences are slowly dying out,” says uTalk’s Brian Loo Soon Hua. “People are thinking more and more alike. If language equals our culture then we’re becoming more homogenised, uniform.”

“It’s good on one hand because people are connecting across borders. But we’ll lose some of the creativity, soul and the idiosyncrasies that make humans human,” he adds.

uTalk supports minority as well as mainstream languages and, out of its 141 languages, more than ten are classed as endangered or vulnerable.

Endangered languages in Germany which the company would like to include on its uTalk app are Bavarian, Sorbian and Frisian.

Neighbouring languages on its wish-list include Breton, Romansh, Alsatian, Faroese, Friulian, Walloon, Arpitan and Picard.

Please contact support@utalk.com if you can put us in touch with native speakers of any of these languages- or visit us on stand A21 at Expolingua Berlin on 16-17 November. We hope to see you there!

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