

On
Internationalization
&
Localization

A close-up photograph of a man with light brown hair, smiling broadly with his mouth open. He is wearing dark-rimmed glasses and a grey zip-up hoodie over a blue shirt. A blue lanyard hangs around his neck. The background is blurred, showing other people in a social setting.

Pascal Birchler

@swissspidy

Why Internationalization?



THE SHAD
OW SHADE



Why Internationalization?

Internationalization

*The process of creating a product
in such a way that it can be
easily adapted to specific local
languages and cultures*

Localization

The process of adapting a product or service to a particular language, culture, and desired local “look-and-feel.”

Localization

“Localization is like translation

but with a cultural twist”

i18n

llon

Locales

Locale ≠
Language

en_US

de_DE-formal

fr_DE

it_IT

es_MX

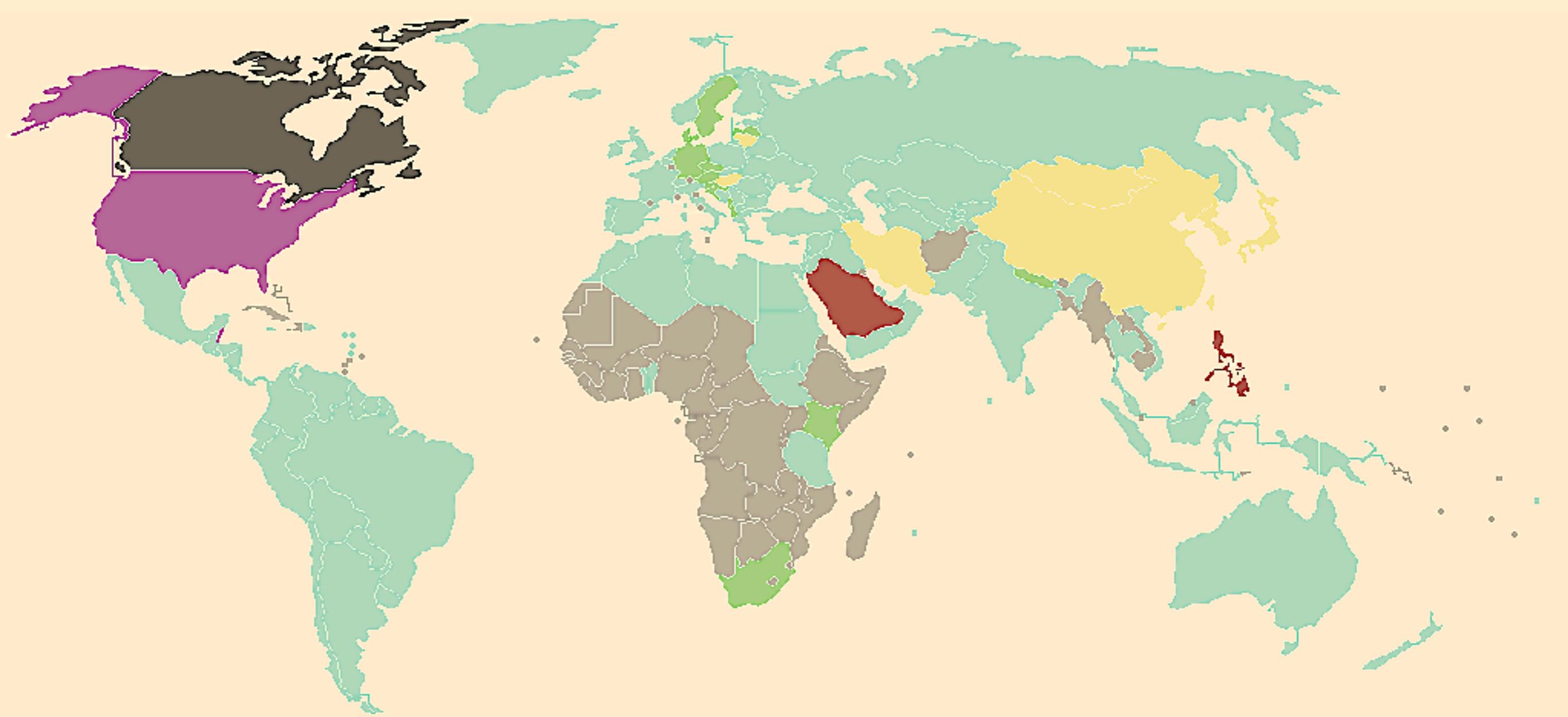
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Flag ≠ Language



flagsarenotlanguages.com

Dates



11/05/2016



Jim Waterson 
@jimwaterson

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British press corp is locked outside the White House because our birthdates were submitted in UK format and secret service don't get it. 

RETWEETS

21,080

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31,280

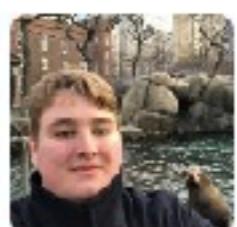


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Ned Donovan ✅ @Ned_Donovan · 6m

White House press officer just told me off on the phone for laughing when they told me about not knowing British date formats were different

2

12

14



Ned Donovan ✅

@Ned_Donovan

"Why is that funny? One person put their birthday as 01/08/[year], why would we be expected to think that means August 1st? Why?"

27/01/2017, 11:39

Numbers

123 456.99

123,456.99

123'456.99

123.456,99

Pricing

Right to Left

Puns

Legal

Units

Formal/Informal

Icons

Currencies

Support

Symbols

Numbers

Jokes

Dealing with Locales

Locale Detection

Accept-Language: da, en-gb;q=0.8, en;q=0.7

User interface text language detection

Order of language detection methods for user interface text. If a translation of user interface text is available in the detected language, it will be displayed.

[Show row weights](#)

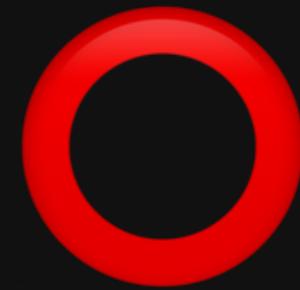
DETECTION METHOD	DESCRIPTION	ENABLED	OPERATIONS
⊕ Account administration pages	Account administration pages language setting.	<input type="checkbox"/>	
⊕ URL	Language from the URL (Path prefix or domain).	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Configure
⊕ Session	Language from a request/session parameter.	<input type="checkbox"/>	Configure
⊕ User	Follow the user's language preference.	<input type="checkbox"/>	
⊕ Browser	Language from the browser's language settings.	<input type="checkbox"/>	Configure
⊕ Selected language	Language based on a selected language.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Configure

[Save settings](#)

Internationalization
in
User Interfaces

Dates

Symbols



Personal Names

David Lloyd George

*Lang
von der Leyen
Little
Lovett*

*Implications for
field design*

YOUR PROFILE

Full name

YOUR PROFILE

Family name

Other/given names

YOUR PROFILE

Full name

What should we call you? (for example, when we send you mail?)

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20,062 Aufrufe **10** Favoriten **6** Kommentare

140 CHARACTERS? THAT'S
BARELY ENOUGH FOR
TWO WORDS

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GERMAN USING TWITTER

Fonts

Beautiful and free fonts for all languages

When text is rendered by a computer, sometimes characters are displayed as “tofu”. They are little boxes to indicate your device doesn't have a font to display the text.

[DOWNLOAD ALL FONTS](#)

474.2 MB

Google has been developing a font family called Noto, which aims to support all languages with a harmonious look and feel. Noto is Google's answer to tofu. The name *noto* is to convey the idea that Google's goal is to see “**no** more **tofu**”. Noto has multiple styles and weights, and is freely available to all. The comprehensive set of fonts and tools used in our development is available in our [GitHub repositories](#).

 All Noto fonts are now licensed under OFL. [Read more updates](#)



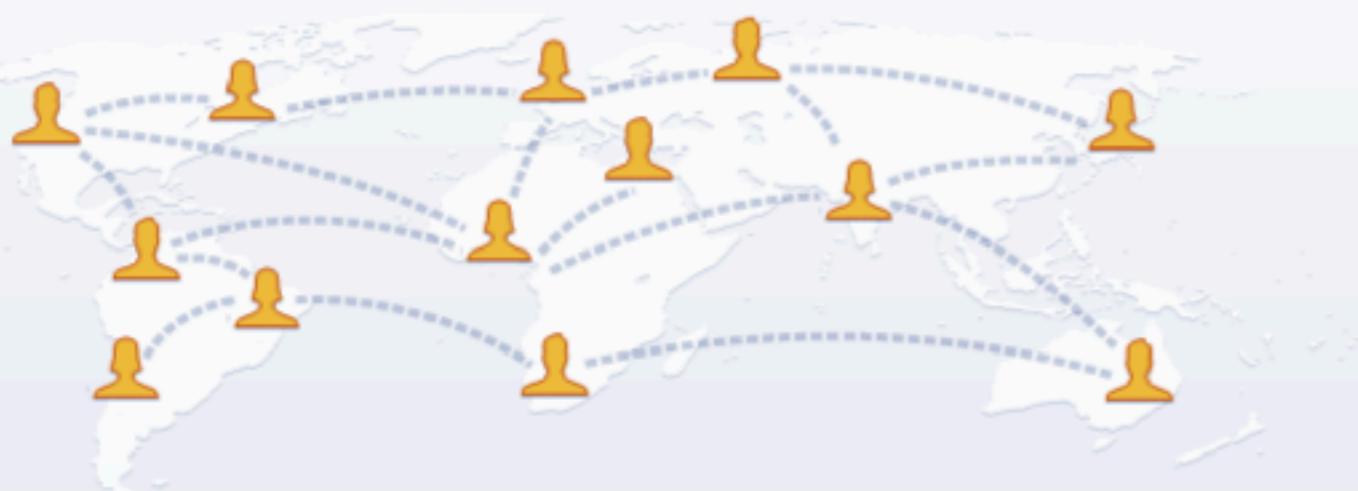
Search for languages, regions, and font names

Left-to-Right

Right-to-Left

[Anmelden](#)[Konto vergessen?](#)

Auf Facebook bleibst du mit Menschen in Verbindung und teilst Fotos, Videos und vieles mehr mit ihnen.



Registrieren

Facebook ist und bleibt kostenlos.

 Vorname Nachname Handynummer oder E-Mail-Adresse Handynummer/E-Mail erneut eingeben Neues Passwort

Geburtstag

 Tag Monat Jahr

Warum muss ich meinen Geburtstag angeben?

Weiblich Männlich

Indem du auf „Konto erstellen“ klickst, erklärst du dich mit unseren [Nutzungsbedingungen](#) einverstanden und bestätigst, dass du unsere [Datenrichtlinie](#) einschließlich unserer [Cookie-Richtlinie](#) gelesen hast. Eventuell erhältst du SMS-Benachrichtigungen von Facebook, die du jederzeit abbestellen kannst.

[Konto erstellen](#)

[Erstelle eine Seite für einen Star, eine Band oder ein Unternehmen.](#)

كلمة السر

البريد الإلكتروني أو الهاتف

تسجيل الدخول

هل نسيت الحساب؟

إنشاء حساب في فيسبوك

مجاني، وسيبقى مجاني دائمًا.

اسم العائلة

الاسم الأول

رقم الهاتف المحمول أو البريد الإلكتروني

أعد إدخال رقم الهاتف المحمول أو البريد الإلكتروني

كلمة السر الجديدة

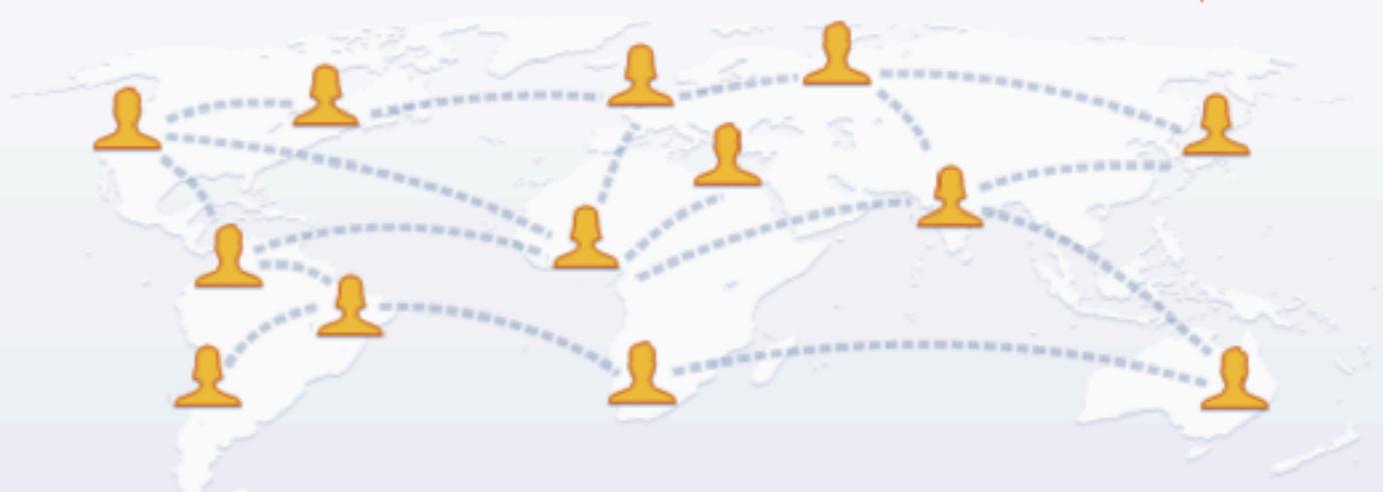
تاريخ الميلاد

ما ضرورة إدخال تاريخ ميلادي؟

أنثى ذكر

بالنقر على إنشاء حساب، فإنك توافق على الشروط التي تتبعها وانك قد قرأت سياسة البيانات بما في ذلك استخدام ملفات تعريف الارتباط. يمكنك تلقي إشعارات رسائل SMS من فيسبوك ويمكنك إلغاء الاشتراك في أي وقت.

يمكنك فيسبوك إمكانية التواصل مع الأشخاص ومشاركة ما تريده معهم.



إنشاء حساب

إنشاء صفحة لفرق موسيقية أو مشاهير أو أنشطة تجارية.


[中文\(简体\)](#) [हिन्दी](#) [Türkçe](#) [Español](#) [Shqip](#) [Português \(Portugal\)](#) [Italiano](#) [English \(US\)](#) [Français \(France\)](#) [Deutsch](#) [العربية](#)

```
lang="en">
```

```
lesheet" href="#" />
```



RTLCSS

Framework for converting Left-To-Right (LTR)
Cascading Style Sheets(CSS) to Right-To-Left (RTL)

```
1 <!DOCTYPE h
2 <html dir="r
3 <head>
4 <link rel="
5 </head>
6 <body>
7 <section>
```

Automagically works!

CSS Level 3

It's more than swapping left with right, RTLCSS provides [Full Support](#) for CSS3 properties.

```
/*rtl:prepend:{value}|*/
```

```
.selector {  
    border-bottom-right-  
}
```

Processing Directives

Powerful set of [Directives](#) to manage the conversion process right from within your CSS.

Internationalization

in

Your Code

INTERNATIONALIZE



String Extraction

```
function translateIt( $str ) {  
    // Do something.  
}  
  
_( 'Foo' ); // ✓  
translateIt( 'Bar' ); // ✗  
_( 'Baz' ); // ✓
```

```
$foo = 'Hello World';  
_( $foo ); // X
```

String Concatenation

```
echo $num . ' ' . _('items')
```

Plural Forms

```
printf( _( '%d items' ), $num )
```

```
if ( $num == 1 )
    printf( _( '%d item' ), $num )
else
    printf( _( '%d items' ), $num )
```

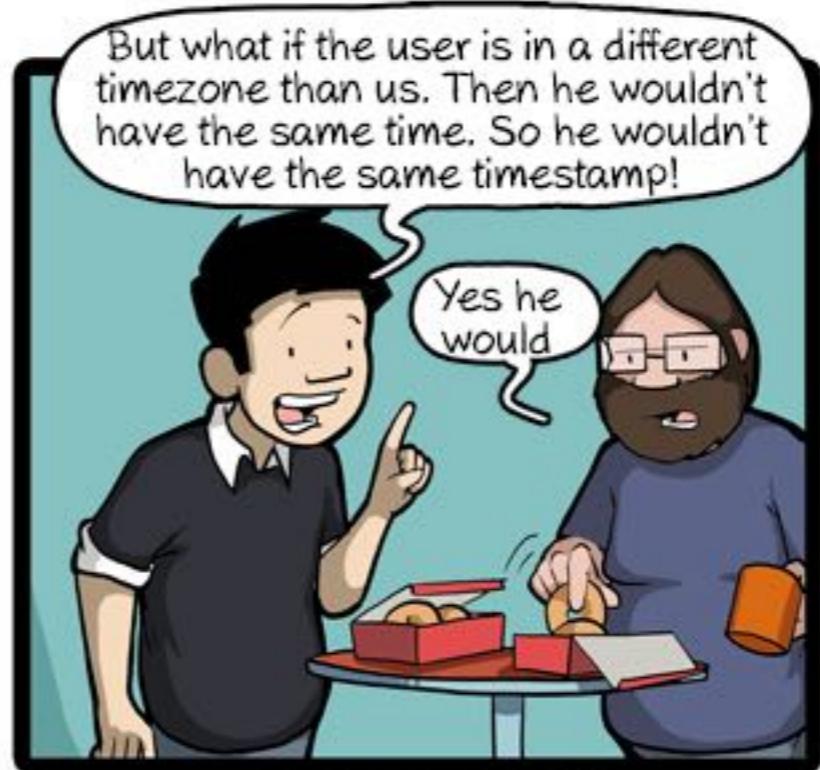
```
printf(  
    _n(  
        '%d item',  
        '%d items',  
        $num  
    ),  
    $num  
)
```

```
printf(_n('%d item', '%d items', 1), 1)
printf(_n('%d item', '%d items', 2), 2)
printf(_n('%d item', '%d items', 5), 5)
```

Context

```
t( 'Post', [ 'context' => 'verb' ] )  
t( 'Post', [ 'context' => 'noun' ] )
```

Dates & Units



Resources

Documentation

Localization Management

w3.org/internationalization

cldr.unicode.org

To Sum Things Up

1. *Don't make assumptions*
2. *Understand cultural values*
3. *i18n from the beginning*
4. *Don't reinvent the wheel*

Thank You!

Questions?

