



Dear ARLE members,

Although covid-19 keeps us from meeting, a lot of ARLE activities are taking place. Here are three news stories from ARLE about:

1. Upcoming ARLE events
2. Our journal *L1*
3. The next ARLE conference

ARLE SIG Events

In terms of research within ARLE, this involves organizing online webinars coordinated by Special Interest Groups (SIGs).

We are happy to announce the following events in the months to come:

- **Event: Looking ahead – Educating language teachers in an era of uncertainty.** Webinar organized by ARLE SIG Teacher Education: hosted by Yael Poyas and by Elizabeth KY Loh (Oranim College of Education in Israel and The University of Hong Kong in Hong Kong SAR). 2nd June 2021, 9:00 AM– 13:00 PM Jerusalem time (UTC+3 hours) and 3rd June, 15:00-19:00 Jerusalem time (UTC+3 hours). Read more [here](#) or via <http://www.arle.be/sigTeachEd.html>
- **Event: SIG Eduling - Research on L1 grammar in schooling: Mediation at the heart of learning grammar.** Webinar organized by ARLE EduLing Educational Linguistics. Friday, February 5, 2021, 15:00 to 18:30 (Central European Time CET, UTC +1). Read more [here](#) or via <http://www.arle.be/sig%20EdLing.html>

- **Event: SIG TALE - Teaching L1 in the Covid-19 pandemic - international research of L1 teachers at work.** Webinar organized by SIG TALE (Technology and Literacy Education). When? Wednesday 10 February 2021 from 9-11 am (Central European Time CET, UTC +1). Where? On Zoom (link will be sent to registered participants) Read more [here](#) or via <http://www.arle.be/sigTale.html>
- **Event: SIG ROLE - Research on Literature Education.** Webinar organized by SIG ROLE on the theme “Memory Culture in Literature Education” 20–21 of May 2021. The aim is to explore the theme of memory culture from the perspectives of literature and literature education. Keynotes from the fields of philosophy and children’s literature will provide insights into the theme and offer a basis for discussion, as well as proposals from participating scholars from around the world. Submission is no longer possible, but if you have questions about participation, please contact Heidi Höglund (heidi.hoglund@abo.fi).

While acknowledging limitations of the webinar format, we believe that webinars offer interesting unique potentials and opportunities for knowledge sharing, dissemination and feedback.

We encourage all to participate!

Our journal L1

Check out updates from ARLE’s journal *L1 – Educational Studies in Language and Literature* [here](#) or via <http://www.l1research.org/>. On the website, you will find links to the most recent publications, including special issues, and a link for Top 10: Most popular downloads.

On the *L1* platform, you find the archive for all *L1* articles [here](#) or via <https://l1.publication-archive.com/show-repository/1>

The editorial team has informed that, regrettably, Tanja Janssen had to leave the editorial team after many years of tremendous work. We thank

you, Tanja, for all your work and insight. New members of the editorial team are Aslaug Gourvenec (Norway) and John Gordon (UK). Congratulations, and thank you for contributing to ARLE scholarship.

All scholars are encouraged to submit their work to *L1*. *L1-ESSL* is included in Scopus/Elsevier and is in Q1 in Language and Linguistics, and in Literature and Literatura Theory

Next ARLE conference in 2022

Looking into the future and a post-covid-19 situation – hopefully emerging during 2021 due to successful vaccines – we plan for the next ARLE conference in 2022.

The plan is still to let the conference take place in Melbourne, Australia, June 2022. More on this in the next newsletter.

Distribute, register, update

Please feel free to distribute this newsletter to L1 research colleagues who might be interested to become a member of ARLE and part of our community.

New membership can be registered, and old memberships updated, [here](#) or via <https://arle.conference-system.com/start> Read more about ARLE [here](#) or via <http://www.arle.be/index.html>

As you can see, ARLE scholars do keep L1 research alive and kicking under new conditions.

Kind regards,

On behalf of the ARLE Board,

Nikolaj Elf, chair.

This email was originally sent via email in December 2020.