



ARLE SIG Teacher Education

CALL

Looking ahead – Educating language teachers in an era of uncertainty

(Virtual Seminar)

We are pleased to announce a SIG-seminar on language teacher education in times of uncertainty and social distance, 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).

The seminar will be taking place **Wednesday, 2nd June 2021**, 9:00 AM– 13:00 PM Jerusalem time (UTC+3 hours)¹ and **Thursday, 3rd June**, 15:00-19:00 Jerusalem time (UTC+3 hours)².

The aim is to explore and learn about professionals' experiences and research findings concerning the impact of distance learning and teaching and of social distance on language teacher education. Also, we would like to offer space to discuss ongoing research projects in language teacher education on the basis of virtual posters and short presentations.

We, as coordinators of SIG Teacher Education, would like to explore the field in our seminars with regard to potential international research cooperation around the seminar topics in the future and with bearing in mind the forthcoming Melbourne conference, 2022.

We propose to address the following issues and questions:

What have we learned from last year experience regarding the teaching, feelings, thoughts and challenges of language and literature teachers in schools?

Educating language teachers in an era of distant teaching and learning: How do we prepare language and literature teachers for teaching at a time of change?

Issues related to teacher training and language materials development in our times.

The multicultural and multilingual classroom in the world of distance learning – what do we need to study and research to improve teacher education for issues of culture and language in this new reality.

¹ i.e. 2 June, 2021: 2:00 PM to 6:00 PM Hong Kong Time; 7:00 AM – 11:00 AM London time; 2:00 AM – 6:00 AM New York time

² i.e. 3 June, 2021: 8:00 PM to 12:00 mid night Hong Kong Time; 1:00 PM – 4:00 PM London time; 8:00 AM – 12:00 Noon New York time



What are the meanings of the terms “Hybrid” and “Local/ Global” [and/ or “Glocalization”] as relevant notions that help us to organize thoughts about language in present time?

Keynote Speakers

[Prof. Lily Orland-Barak](#), Faculty of Education University of Haifa, Israel.

[Prof. Nikolaj Elf](#), Department for the Study of Culture, SDU - [University of Southern Denmark](#).

About your contribution:

We welcome contributions that explore the seminar issues from different perspectives and will form the basis for discussions in panels. Please, submit an abstract for a short presentation.

Also, we welcome proposals for short presentations based on posters. This format is particularly adequate for PhDs and Postdocs who wish to discuss their projects with experts from the SIGs.

Formats of Sessions

Keynotes and discussion

Discussions in virtual rooms based on participants’ contributions

Short presentations in virtual rooms based on posters

Participation and submission

Please, submit your abstract via the ARLE conference system (up to 400 words including references; 500-600 words for PhDs and Postdocs who wish to present a poster).

Submission is possible until 18 January 2021 via the ARLE conference-system. Notification of acceptance will be provided by 15 March 2021.

The system will open for submission 14 December 2020, and for registration 15 April 2021

Fees

Participant - Euro 50.

PhDs/Postdocs (except full positions) - Euro 30.



We are looking forward to receiving your abstract. If you have any further questions, please contact Yael Poyas: yael_p@oranim.ac.il.

With kind regards

Yael and Elizabeth