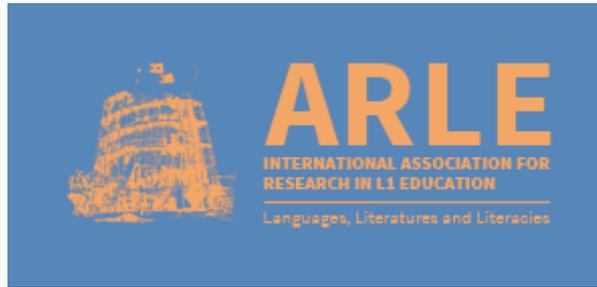


May 2022 Newsletter



Dear ARLE members,

Here is news from the ARLE Executive Board concerning the ARLE 2022 Conference and the nomination for the ARLE Executive Board.

ARLE 2022 Conference

We are almost a month away from the 13th Biannual Conference of the International Association for Research in L1 Education (ARLE) and gearing up to welcome more than 250 participants, from Europe, Asia, Australia, and the Americas. The program includes 180 plus presentations, including 130 paper presentations, 15 symposia, poster and roundtable sessions, which cover a wide range of fields relating to L1 research and education. We hope that the information we share today will help presenting participants finalize their preparations and inspire more colleagues to attend. Colleagues who have not contributed a paper but wish to attend the conference may register for on-site participation till 30.05.2022 or virtual participation until 14.06.2022.

Format of the Conference

With more than 150 participants physically attending the conference, all sessions will maintain their hybrid format to ensure the best possible conference experience for online attendees, too. Presentations, including keynote/plenary sessions will run simultaneously in physical and virtual space, as all sessions will take place in assigned rooms in the UCY New Campus that will be linked to chatrooms in Zoom. Detailed instructions on the use of the platform will be sent directly to presenters.

Travelling and COVID-19 restrictions

The government of the Republic of Cyprus government has revised their Travelling Protocols to abolish FlightPass, country categorization, and most travel-related protocols, in effect from 14 April 2022. For more details, please refer to the linked [Protocol](#). Effective 22 April 2022, the government also readjusted the plan of restrictions against COVID-19, with the most recent statement on COVID-related decisions may be found [here](#). For the summer session, during which the Conference runs, visitors and members of the University of Cyprus may enter the university premises and use facilities by presenting a valid digital COVID certificate (Safe Pass). Distancing and hygiene measures will continue to be also in place.

Program and Social Events/Activities

The detailed conference program will be announced on the conference website in the next few days. In the meantime, you may visit the site to check the schedule overview, with opening and closing times, as well as other events. The local organising committee will facilitate a number of social events and activities to enrich participants' overall experience. For those attending onsite, you may register for the conference dinner, which will take place in the Multiplace of Creativity and Culture, a 19th century restored building in the city of Larnaca, or choose to participate in one of the optional tours in the historic centre of Nicosia or to the picturesque villages of Kakopetria or Pano Lefkara.

You may visit the conference [website](#) for more detailed information. Please don't hesitate to contact the local organizing team and the ARLE Board at arle2022conference@gmail.com for any clarification or questions.

Nomination for the ARLE Executive Board

We are happy to inform you that Ulrike Behrens is a nominee for the position of treasurer on the ARLE Executive Board. Please refer to documents [1](#) and [2](#) for her introduction and nominations of her.

