CyTEA Annual Conference

With the support of IATEFL LT SIG and Cyprus Educational Association

Embracing change in ELT: Challenges and Perspectives

8-9 December 2018, European University, Nicosia, Cyprus

CALL FOR PAPERS

Academics, teachers, MA & PhD students, researchers, experts & practitioners in the field of Language Teaching, are cordially invited to submit papers for the CyTEA Annual Conference 2018, **Embracing change in ELT: Challenges and Perspectives**, Nicosia, Cyprus, 8-9 December 2018, which will be under the support of IATEFL LT SIG and Cyprus Educational Association (Εκπαιδευτικός Όμιλος Κύπρου).

The role of Language Learning in today's globalized world is an undeniable fact which has accelerated the demand and the need to improve the quality of teaching and learning in language teaching classrooms alongside rapid advances in technology. Ongoing processes of globalization have given rise to the necessity of engaging in meaningful communication with speakers of different languages and cultural backgrounds resulting in different skills and competencies required by language learners and consequently the advent of different teaching approaches and methods. While constant changes are happening, the role of today's language teachers is also evolving and teaching is becoming more challenging and demanding. Teachers play a critical role in building, developing and shaping the future generation, hence, they need to engage in lifelong learning and ensure they are equipped with new knowledge and skills related to curriculum change, assessment, integration of technologies and resources to meet the educational needs of the 21st century. They need to keep pace with the fast changing world of education in order to raise the standards and quality of English language teaching and learning.

This year's conference aims to elaborate on how these changes are embraced and implemented by practitioners and educators working at different educational contexts and levels around the world in the field of language teaching & learning as well as at identifying the challenges, if any, that language teachers face in implementing these changes.

If you are interested in presenting at the conference, we are seeking paper, workshop and poster presentations, as per the instructions following. **Please note that the issues discussed at the conference are not limited to the learning and teaching of English as a foreign/second language but to ANY foreign language**. If you wish you can submit your abstract and further details (word document) to mdiakou2000@yahoo.com

We hope you will consider participating in this exciting conference!

CyTEA committee

Final Abstract Submission Deadline: September 3, 2018

We solicit papers on all areas of interest to the Language Learning community and aligned fields, including but not limited to the following themes:

- Foreign Language Teacher Education
- EFL theories and research (productive and receptive skills, linguistic and communicative competences, code-switching, classroom interaction analysis, assessment and evaluation, curriculum development)
- ICT in Language Teaching
- Psychological and psycholinguistic perspectives in EFL / ELT (attitudinal patterns, motivation, individual learner differences, learning strategies, learner autonomy)
- Content and Language Integrated Learning (CLIL) + Content and Language Integrated Learning
- Multilingualism / bilingualism
- Discourse analysis
- Educational language policies
- Learning at a distance
- Gaming and Gamification
- Innovative teaching methodologies
- New approaches to teacher training

Other themes relevant to language learning can also be considered.

The conference aims to offer both academic papers as well as insights from practitioners and practical workshops. Proposals are accepted in the following presentation formats:

Paper: (30 minutes) – This presentation format includes talks which discuss and describe work related to theory, research or practice (20 min presentation with 10 min for discussion).

Workshop: (1 hour) – This presentation format is aimed to give presenters a chance to share ideas, thoughts, techniques and/or materials in an interactive way.

Poster: - This presentation format can be used to visually display a research project, a recommended technique or other innovative ideas and suggestions.

Working language: The conference working language will be English. No translation will be provided.

Proposal submissions
Please submit your proposal as a word document to mdiakou2000@yahoo.com

Your proposal should include:
1. A 200-word abstract
2. First name, last names
   and affiliation
3. A short bio
4. Contact details (email, telephone and postal address)

Conference selections

Presenters are encouraged to submit a report /full paper of their presentation for Conference Selections by Friday, 25th January, 2019.

Criteria for selection:

- Papers must not exceed 1000 words in length including figures and references.
- They must be interesting and/or relevant to readers outside your immediate context.
- They should have the format of a paper – avoid the use of bullets as they appear on PowerPoint slides.
- They must not be sent in PDF format and must not contain headers, footers or page numbers.

Please submit your paper as an attachment by email to:
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