Languages - a unique ingredient of learning

Friday 8 - Saturday 9 March 2024
Chesford Grange Hotel, Kenilworth

Call for Contributions

Language World is the annual conference and training event of the Association for Language Learning. It is a highlight of the year for teachers of all languages and attracts hundreds of participants each day from across all sectors. Delegates have the opportunity to listen to and be inspired by keynote speakers, attend workshops, reflect and debate as they look together at key areas relevant to their own context.

The theme of Language World 2024 is *"Languages- a unique ingredient of learning"*

Contributions

We are now constructing the programme for the 2024 event and welcome contributions for talks and workshops which cover the areas below. Proposals which include examples from current innovative practice in all sectors, and the principles that underpin them, are especially welcome, as are hands-on workshops of a practical nature. Contributions are welcome from teachers and specialists in languages education both in the UK and from overseas.

Submit your proposal for a talk or workshop via the online submission system.

Focus for talk, workshop sessions and innovative practice

Submissions are welcome from educators who are starting out on their career to those with many years of experience. We are keen to include examples of successful, innovative practice. We are specifically interested in submissions for talks and workshops which focus on the following areas:

- The unique elements of language teaching across the curriculum
- Innovative online learning
- Increasing uptake in all sectors
- Involving parents in the learning journey
- Collaborative approaches between schools KS2 and KS3
- Collaborative approaches between universities and schools
- Recent research on the brain and language learning
- Promoting trips and educational visits, international links and intercultural understanding
- Celebrating multilingualism in schools through support of home community and heritage languages
- Effective EAL provision in primary and secondary language lessons
- Effective, inclusive and motivating language teaching, taking account of the new GCSEs

Submission deadline: 23:59 on Wednesday 8 November 2023

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Speaker Guidelines

1. Submission Process: Please submit your proposal for a talk or workshop via the online submission system ensuring you complete all fields, the instructions in the system will guide you through the process.

Your Session Outline should be no more than 100 words. All outlines must be anonymised, any references to authors or institutions within the body of your abstract may result in withdrawal of your contribution.

Please note, in the case of multiple submissions from an individual, only one presentation can be included in the Conference programme.

2. Preferred Presentation Format: We are keen to accept as many submitted presentations as possible so will be offering three presentation formats, details below. Please be aware we cannot guarantee you will be accepted to present in your preferred format, this may be changed by the reviewing committee if they believe a different format is more appropriate.

- Parallel Workshops & Oral Presentations - Allocated 45 minutes in the programme, we suggest a 30 minute presentation and 15 minutes for Q&A / delegate interaction
- Short Oral Presentation – Total of 15 minutes to include your presentation and Q&A
  (Three similar topic presentations will be delivered in the same 45 minute session)

Please try and make your sessions as interactive as possible to encourage delegate interaction.

3. Speaker bookings and attendance: Once the review process is complete all accepted speakers will need to book to attend the conference. We are able to offer the following reduced rates for **one speaker** for each accepted presentation:

- Speaking day attendance only; £66 (inc vat)
- Two days Conference attendance £150 (inc vat)
- (Excludes accommodation and dinner)

The event will take place in person at the Chesford Grange, Kenilworth. You will have the opportunity to select which day you will be able to present, Friday 8 or Saturday 9 March 2024.

Additional speakers are expected to register and pay as Language World delegates at the relevant delegate attendance rate. Unfortunately, our funds do not permit us to cover any expenses for speakers.

4. In preparing talks / workshops: Please take into account that the Association serves and represents all sectors of education and all languages and examinations systems in the UK. Content should therefore be as inclusive as possible.

5. Inclusion and accessibility: Please bear in mind the importance of preparing a talk that will be accessible to all participants.

6. Referencing content: Any content in your presentation which is not your own MUST be appropriately and clearly referenced. ALL will not take any liability for plagiarism complaints; this is the speakers' responsibility.

7. Submission deadline: 23:59 on Wednesday 8 November 2023. Notifications of the outcome of review will be sent to all submitters by, latest, Friday 15 December 2023.

8. Assessment process: All contributions will be blind peer-reviewed in which the reviewers will evaluate contributions on the quality of content.

9. Speaker registration: All speakers must register by Wednesday 31 January 2024, if registration has not been received by this date your contribution will be removed from the programme.

On behalf of the ALL President and Conference Organising Committee
we thank you for contributing to Language World 2024.

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