

We are thrilled to announce that after a pandemic-caused hiatus, Teaching Languages and Cultures conference is back! The English Department and the Centre for Professional Development of the Faculty of Philosophy, University of Niš, invite you to the Fourth International Conference Teaching Languages and Cultures in the Post-Method Era: **New Insights and Innovations** (TLC 2023), to be held on October 6 and 7 2023, at the Faculty of Philosophy, University of Niš.

Like the previous three times, and especially post-pandemic, we hope that the conference is a fruitful place for the idea exchange and networking. We invite researchers and teaching practitioners from different areas, as we witness that the changing nature of learning and information gathering has to be reflected in a joint effort of different disciplines to offer teachers new and redesigned means of teaching.

One of the challenges the conference aims to address is how these requirements influence the choices teachers make in terms of their professional development.

The goal of TLC 2023 is to provide a vibrant arena where these different questions can be addressed, and new research findings and views will be exchanged.

We are happy to announce our plenary speakers:



Thor Sawin, Associate Professor, Middlebury Institute of international Studies at Monterey (MIIS), USA. A linguist, applied linguist, and teacher of English and German as a foreign language, at MIIS, he primarily teaches courses on second language acquisition, linguistic analysis, language and society, language and social media, and applications of technology to language learning. Dr. Sawin has presented research at over 30 refereed international and several regional conferences on topics within language teaching, multilingualism, and international development and served as an organizer and strand coordinator for the American Association for Applied Linguistics conference.



Milica Savić, Full Professor of English, the Department of Education and Sports Science, Faculty of Arts and Education, University of Stavanger, Norway. She has taught courses in English Phonetics and Phonology, Methodology of TEFL, Politeness in a Second Language and professional development courses for English teachers. Her current research interests include interlanguage pragmatics, especially (meta)pragmatic development in young second language learners, and linguistic politeness, particularly email communication in English, as well

as pragmatics instruction in EFL contexts. She has presented at 25 international conferences, and published a number of research papers in peer-reviewed journals, such as Journal of Pragmatics, Intercultural Pragmatics and Journal of Intercultural Communication.



Proposals are invited for individual (or co-authored) papers and workshops on theoretical or applied aspects of foreign language learning and teaching, including (but not limited to) teaching methodologies, developing all language skills as well as (intercultural) communicative competence, teaching literature, assessing language and culture, translation, teacher training and professional development, EMI and ESP, and language policies.

We encourage submissions that approach these topics from various perspectives; we also welcome presentations on topics from any other field or discipline related to or reflected in language and culture teaching.

We are devoted to promoting linguistic and cultural diversity but for practical reasons of communicating across languages, the official language of the conference is English. If your speech is in any other language, please provide a PowerPoint presentation in English.

Each presentation will be allotted 20 minutes, 15 minutes for the presentation followed by 5 minutes for discussion.

Workshops will be organized as 45-minute sessions, and the number of participants will be limited by the workshop author(s).

Abstracts submission:

A 300-word abstract/workshop description should be uploaded via the conference webpage (<u>https://tlcnis.weebly.com/proposals.html/</u>), following the instructions given there. The information uploaded should include: the author(s) full name and title, affiliation and contact e-mail address; paper title, up to 5 key words, and the abstract text.

Important dates

Early-bird abstract submission deadline (both presentations and workshops): 1 June 2023 Notification of acceptance for early-bird submission: 15 June 2023 Abstract submission deadline: 1 July 2023 Notification of acceptance: 15 July 2023

Conference fee of 7,500 RSD (65 EUR) includes the book of abstracts, conference program, refreshments, lunch,

certificate of participation, and publication costs. PhD students conference fee: 4,000RSD (30 EUR).

The fee can be paid in cash on site during registration or via the Faculty of Philosophy bank account. Early registration is encouraged, but not required.



Payment details

Domestic participants should pay the conference fee in dinars based on the exchange rates of NBS on the day of payment, to:

Faculty of Philosophy Niš

Bank account 840-1818666-89

Reference number 74212138

The purpose of payment: conference fee for Teaching Languages and Cultures conference,

Foreign participants can pay the conference fee in euros – access payment instructions on this <u>link</u> or dollars – access payment instructions on this <u>link</u>.

The participants are kindly asked to keep the receipt of the conference fee payment and to have it with them at registration.

IMPORTANT: All conference participants (co-authors and authors both) are required to pay the conference fee.

Conference venue: the Faculty of Philosophy, University of Niš, 2 Ćirila i Metodija Street.

Accommodation and travelling arrangements: Useful information about accommodation in Niš and different travelling options can be found at the official Niš Tourist Bureau site at https://visitnis.org/en/

For any questions, contact us at <u>tlcnis2014@gmail.com</u>