CALL FOR PAPERS

Institute of Foreign Languages (IFL), Vytautas Magnus University (VMU), in cooperation with Language Teachers’ Association of Lithuania (LKPA) are pleased to invite you to the 4th VMU IFL and the 11th LKPA international conference SUSTAINABLE MULTILINGUALISM 2017 held at Vytautas Magnus University, Kaunas, Lithuania

CONFERENCE AIM

The conference aims at bringing together scholars and language education professionals to share their research insights and discuss the issues relevant to the development of individual and societal multilingualism, including language policy, linguistic human rights, and language education in higher education.

CONFERENCE TOPICS

Submissions are welcome in (not limited to) the following areas:

- Language policy
- Issues in minority language education
- Language education in multilingual and multicultural environment
- Challenges for culture and identity
- Multilingualism for business and in business
- Multilingualism and educational mobility
- Non-formal and informal development of plurilingual competence
- Literature and multilingualism
- Issues in translation in multilingual environment

KEYNOTE SPEAKERS

- MANUEL CÉLIO CONCEIÇÃO, president of the Conseil européen pour les langues / European Language Council (CEL/ELC), professor of French linguistics and researcher at the University of Algarve, Portugal
- JEAN-MARC DEWAELLE, president of the International Association of Multilingualism, professor of Applied Linguistics and Multilingualism at University of London, Birkbeck
- ROBERT PHILLIPSON, professor Emeritus at Copenhagen Business School, researcher on linguistic imperialism and multilingual education
- TOVE SKUTNABB-KANGAS, researcher and fighter for linguistic human rights, professor Emerita at Roskilde University, Denmark

CALL FOR ABSTRACTS

You are invited to contribute and submit your abstracts in both formats:

- In person: oral or poster presentations
- Virtually: if you cannot attend in person

Registration and abstract submission open: 1 November, 2016
Deadline for registration and abstract submission: 1 February, 2017
Notification of acceptance: 7 February, 2017

Conference language is English. Parallel sessions will be held in English, Lithuanian, German, French and Russian

PUBLICATIONS

The selected papers will be published in the international scientific journal Sustainable Multilingualism (www.uki.vdu.lt/sm), indexed in MLA, C.E.E.O.L., Google Scholar. Since 2017, Sustainable Multilingualism is published by De Gruyter Open.

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Journal website: http://uki.vdu.lt/sm

Authors of accepted conference contributions may submit their full papers to be considered for publication in Sustainable Multilingualism, 10/2017. Deadline for manuscript submissions is 1 April, 2017.

5 REASONS TO ATTEND OUR CONFERENCE

- Meet in person world-known language education professionals and researchers in linguistic human rights, language policy and multilingualism
- Share your research insights within international community
- Discuss current issues of multilingualism with members of international community
- Strengthen the existing and establish new partnerships in the international research and education community
- Visit Lithuania – one of the three Baltic states, the country where the oldest surviving Indo-European language is spoken