# 2<sup>ND</sup> INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON APPLIED LINGUISTICS LANGUAGE IN FOCUS CONTEMPORARY PERSPECTIVES ON THEORY, RESEARCH, AND PRAXIS IN ELT AND SLA

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**LIF2014** appeared to be a great conference with noble participants coming from 38 countries sharing their ideas, research and experiences. Therefore, we would like to invite academics, scholars, representatives of central and local educational authorities, non-governmental organizations, school teachers and practitioners representing an exciting diversity of countries, cultures, and religion to meet and exchange ideas and views in a forum encouraging respectful dialogue. **LIF2015** will be a great opportunity to meet expert in varied areas of ELT and SLA in a wonderful ambience which is Cappadocia.

PLENARY SPEAKERS

- Ayşe Akyel, Professor of English Language Education Faculty of Education, Department of Foreign Language Education, Yeditepe University, Turkey
- Simon Borg, Professor of Applied Linguistics School of Education, University of Leeds, UK
- Vivian Cook, Professor of Applied Linguistics School of Education, Communication and Language Sciences, Newcastle University, UK
- **Rod Ellis**, Professor of Applied Linguistics Faculty of Arts – Cultures, Languages and Linguistics, University of Auckland, New Zealand
- Susan Gass, Professor of Applied Linguistics Department of Linguistics and Germanic, Slavic, Asian and African Languages, Michigan State University, USA
- Rebecca Oxford, Professor of Applied Linguistics
  College of Education, Department of Curriculum and Instruction, University of Maryland,
  USA
- Lydia White, Professor of Linguistics and a Fellow of the Royal Society of Canada Department of Linguistics, McGill University, Canada.

### CONFERENCE THEME

The world is rapidly becoming a mixed global village where the role of languages is extremely important. Globalization has made the world interconnected. The political, technological, economic and social realities of the modern world have led and still lead to more contact between people of different linguistic and cultural backgrounds. New

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approaches, new theoretical concepts and new methods of teaching foreign / second languages have become the key issues in the modern world. Therefore, the main theme of **LIF2015** is **Contemporary Perspectives on Theory, Research, and Praxis in ELT and SLA**. The aim of the conference is to provide a forum for researchers and teachers who are interested in the exploration and exchange of theory, research findings, experience (praxis) and perspectives in language teaching, language learning and language skills development.

Centered around topics in applied linguistics, the conference will focus mainly on:

- ELT Methodology and classroom applications
- Foreign Language Teacher Education
- Content and Language Integrated Learning (CLIL) + Content and Language Integrated Learning in German (CLILiG)
- SLA / ELT focused 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 SLA / ELT (attitudinal patterns, motivation, individual learner differences, learning strategies, learner autonomy)
- Corpus Linguistics and Learner Corpora
- Syntax and interfaces with morphology and semantics
- Lexical processing
- Phonological processing
- Cross-linguistic influences
- Discourse analysis
- Sociolinguistic theories and research (quantitative and qualitative approaches to the study of language, ethnographic and anthropological approaches to the study of language; language contact)
- Socio-cultural considerations (intercultural competence development, multiculturalism in theory and practice, ethnic/language minority classrooms)
- Multilingualism / bilingualism
- Educational language policies
- Translation and interpreting

However, the submission of other topics for consideration is welcome and we also encourage sessions within and across a variety of disciplines and fields related to Applied Linguistics and Teaching Foreign Languages. Proposals for original and previously unpublished papers (20 minutes for the **presentation** and 10 minutes for questions) or **workshops** (45 minutes) reporting on research related to the theme of the conference, or posters regarding the issues are welcome for presentation at the conference.

## ABSTRACT SUBMISSION

**Abstracts** of papers, workshops or posters in the range of 200-250 words should be sent to the conference

e-mail: languageinfocus2015@gmail.com by **November 1st, 2014**. Please note that the abstracts should be sent on special abstract form available on our website: www.languageinfocus.org. Each participant will have the opportunity to present 2 papers. Notifications of **acceptance** will be sent by **November 15th, 2014. Accepted presentations will be published in an edited book by Cambridge Scholars, the UK.** 

#### CONFERENCE CALL

### REGISTRATION

All the participants are requested to submit their **registration form** available on our conference website and send it to the conference e-mail: languageinfocus2015@gmail.com by **December 15th, 2014.** 

The **conference/registration fee** (paper / workshop / poster and participation), which covers registration fee, conference materials, full –board accommodation in a 4\* hotel for three nights, welcome cocktail, refreshments during the coffee breaks, conference dinner, and the cost of subsequent publication is:  $\notin$ 400 (early registration fee paid by December 15th, 2014)  $\notin$ 420 (regular registration fee paid by January 15th, 2015).

All authors willing to participate as speakers in the conference **need** to pay their registration fee by **December 15th, 2014 (early registration fee)** or by **January 15th, 2015 (regular registration fee)** and send the scanned transaction document to the conference e-mail: languageinfocus2015@gmail.com.

The copy of a bank transfer will be the proof of payment, mandate of payment will not be sufficient.

Please, note that **bank transaction fees** will be covered by the participants and once the conference fee is paid it will NOT be returned.

## CONFERENCE VENUE

Imagine a place where mystical rock formations, underground cities and the history of thousands of years of civilisation sit under a vast sky. This place is **Cappadocia**, which is the historic area of central Anatolia bounded by the towns of Hacıbektaş, Aksaray, Niğde and Kayseri.

**Cappadocia** is Turkey's **most visually striking region**, especially the "moonscape" area where erosion has formed caves, clefts, pinnacles, "fairy chimneys" and sensuous folds in the soft volcanic rock. It is a magnificent place that will stay in your mind and heart forever.

### HOTEL

**LykiaLodge Kapadokya** provides luxurious accommodation and services drawing architectural inspiration from the stunning landscapes of the region to bring you a unique combination of comfort and history.

The rooms are comfortably furnished with a seating area and air conditioning. Guests can make use of a fully equipped fitness room, tennis court and outdoor swimming pool.

The restaurant at **LykiaLodge** serves traditional dishes of the region, along with wines from Central Anatolia. **LykiaLodge** can arrange for guests to explore Cappadocia on horseback, bike or hot air balloon.

It is definitely the best gateway to discover one of the most incredible regions in the world.

## FURTHER INFORMATION

We would like to invite you to join us on facebook (LIF-Language in Focus Conference) and twitter (LIFconference).

Queries regarding the event can be sent to languageinfocus2015@gmail.com.

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All those wishing to present papers, posters, prepare a workshop or just to attend presentations are welcome to participate in the conference.

With best regards, Conference Organisers: Assoc. Prof. Dr. Cem Can Prof. Dr. Hatice Sofu Asst. Prof. Dr. Abdurrahman Kilimci Dr. Katarzyna Papaja

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