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Applied Linguistics: Current Trends and Prospects

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A forum dedicated to the 95th anniversary of the Department of English and American Studies at Sofia University & the 135th anniversary of St. Kliment Ohridski University of Sofia

Applied Linguistics has long ceased to lend itself easily to definition. Ever since its inception in the late 1950s, the field has become increasingly varied and far-reaching. It represents a constantly evolving discipline which mirrors the evolutionary and adaptive processes of language itself.

The forum we are inviting you to is titled *Applied Linguistics: Current Trends and Prospects* and celebrates present-day Applied Linguistics no longer being targeted at studying teaching practices only, but aiming to present solutions to any social problem that results from language-related causes. Here we invite scholars and students to seek out, identify, investigate, and offer solutions to social, cultural, educational, and, generally, communicative issues. We aim to celebrate research initiatives which approach language in an empirical manner and which examine the relationship between language and social-issue solutions.

We welcome proposals for presentations of original work related to any aspect of Applied Linguistics which explores the field's present or looks at its future by discussing innovative topics, approaches and practices.

Topic strands (may include but are not limited to):

- foreign or second language pedagogy and learning
- teaching methodologies
- curricula and teaching materials development
- assessment practices
- bilingualism and multilingualism
- translanguaging
- cross-cultural/intercultural education
- language policy and planning
- language variation and change
- language and culture
- language and ideology
- language and cognition
- translation and interpreting
- oral communication
- written text analysis
- computer or mobile assisted language learning



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Working language of the forum: English

Deadline for submission of proposals: 15 September 2023

Confirmation of acceptance: 30 September 2023

Proposals must include:

- 1) first name and family name of the presenter
- 2) institutional affiliation of the presenter
- 3) presenter's email address
- 4) the title of the proposed presentation
- 5) a 250 words' abstract of the proposal
- 6) a 100 words' biographical note of the author

Proposals are to be submitted to: alforumlp@gmail.com

Conference fees:

Regular fee: 40 EURO

Reduced fee (doctoral students): 20 EURO

Students (at the BA or MA level): free

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