**CALL FOR PAPERS**

• Understanding Multilingualism •Zrozumiećwielojęzyczność•Mehrsprachigkeit verstehen •Понятьмногоязычие•Capire la multilingualità•

The 1st International Conference “Understanding Multilingualism” will take place at the University of Warsaw, Poland on 9-10 June 2018.

The theme considers all aspects of the linguistic and sociolinguistic competences and practices of multilingual speakers who cross existing social and linguistic boundaries, adopting or adapting themselves to new and overlapping linguistic spaces.

We invite papers in all areas of research in multilingualism, whether or not linked directly to the overarching conference theme, including, but not limited to, linguistics, sociolinguistics, psycholinguistics, neurolinguistics, clinical linguistics, education, multilingual societies.

Topics might include:

* (multiple) language acquisition and learning (L 2, L3, L4, Lx);
* psycho- and neurolinguistics of bi-/multilingualism;
* trans/multilingual language use in different contexts
* biculturalism and multiculturalism;
* bi- and multilingual education;
* (educational) language policies;
* literacy in multiple languages (pluriliteracy);
* languages, intercultural issues and globalisation;
* translation, interpreting, and mediation.

**Keynote speakers**

Prof. Franciszek Grucza, University of Warsaw, Poland

Prof. Maria Dakowska, University of Warsaw, Polska

Prof. Enlli Thomas, Bangor University, Wales, Great Britain

Prof. Phillip M. Carter, Florida State University, USA

Prof. Mila Schwartz, Oranim Academic College of Education, Israel

**Organising Committee**

The conference is organised by the Institute of Specialised and Intercultural Communication, Faculty of Applied Linguistics, University of Warsaw and Polish Association of Applied Linguistics (PTLS).

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**Proposals**

The two categories of proposals are: (1) individual papers and (2) posters.

Abstracts should be in **English, German, Russian,Italian** and **Polish**.

**• Individual papers**: Papers are formal presentations on original research by one or more authors, lasting a total of 30 minutes (20 minutes for presentation and 10 minutes for discussion). Please note that the time limit will be strictly adhered to. Abstracts should be a maximum of 300 words in length.

 **• Posters**: Poster sessions are for displaying research that offers the opportunity for individualised, informal discussion of the research. Posters are especially effective for presenting work-in-progress, fieldwork and results of empirical research if data can be presented visually (e.g. charts, graphs, tables). A block of time will be designated when presenters are available to discuss their posters. Abstracts should be a maximum of 300 words in length.

**Submission of proposals**

Submission of proposals for papers and postersis open and will close on **30.03.2018**.

**Conference Presentation Policies**

Individuals may submit a maximum of one abstract as first author, whether a paper or a poster.

It is assumed that all proposals represent original and unpublished work that is not yet available to the research community.

 • The presenter must be a registered attending participant at the Conference

 • The conference policy is that the author will present the paper on the day and time assigned by the conference program committee

**Conference Fee**

360 PLN / 100 EUR – regular

180 PLN / 50 EUR – discounted for Master’s and PhD students

**Details for bank transfer**

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While making the payment, you are requested to indicate the title in the following way: surname\_Multilingualism 2018

**Important dates**

 • Submission of abstracts closes on **30 April 2018**

 • Notification of acceptance by  **15 May 2018**

 • Registration opens on **15 May 2018**