

The 4th Biennial Conference on Arabic Language Teaching & Learning in Higher Education

Translanguaging and Linguistic Diversity in Arabic

Thursday 18 April 2024, University of Cambridge

We are inviting the submission of evidence-based abstracts for papers, panels and workshops relating to the conference theme, but not limited to the following sub-themes:

- **Perceptions of Translanguaging:** This may include papers on learners' and teachers' perceptions of translanguaging and linguistic diversity in Arabic language programmes. This could also include ways to inform sociolinguistic awareness, as well as approaches to decolonisation, and the place of translanguaging and linguistic diversity in teachers' training.
- **The varieties we teach:** This may include papers on the rationale behind the choices of Arabic varieties taught, learners' linguistic backgrounds and needs, as well as the analysis of the linguistic affinity and distance between the Arabic varieties taught, and those used as the medium of instruction.
- **Pedagogical approaches:** This may include research findings and sharing of good practice on how we approach translanguaging and linguistic diversity in curriculum design, lesson planning and teaching resources.
- **Approaches to assessment:** This may include discussions on how translanguaging and linguistic diversity can be assessed.

Time frame

Papers: 20 minutes

Workshops: 40 minutes

Panels: 50 minutes

Abstract Submission

Please submit your abstract (**250 words maximum**) by **14 July 2023** using [this form](#).

Abstract Rating

The review of abstracts will be anonymously conducted by the scientific committee based on the following criteria:

- Relevance to the conference themes
- Clarity of content
- Originality
- The likelihood of attendees' interest in the topic
- Evidence (this could be through learners' feedback and proficiency progress, research findings, academic reference or other scholarly arguments that support the topic)

We also encourage abstracts for work-in-progress from colleagues seeking feedback. This should clearly be stated in the abstract.

Key Dates

- Abstract submission deadline: Friday 14 July 2023
- Notification of acceptance: Monday 16 October 2023
- Registration opens: Tuesday 17 October 2023
- Registration deadline: Thursday 28 March 2024

Fees

There will be a conference fee of £35.00 per delegate.

For more information, please contact arabic.conference@ames.cam.ac.uk

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