



**5th International Symposium
Language for International Communication**

**Linking Interdisciplinary Perspectives:
Language for Specific Purposes
in the Era of Multilingualism and Technologies**

**April 28-29, 2022
online symposium from the University of Latvia
Riga, Latvia**

Call for Papers

The University of Latvia hosts the 5th International Symposium on Language for International Communication organized by the Department of English Studies and the Centre for Applied Linguistics in cooperation with the Department of Romance Studies at the Faculty of Humanities. The University of Latvia is pleased to announce the symposium to be held online from Riga on **April 28-29, 2022**.

The symposium invites the debate on new perspectives and developments in research on Language for Specific Purposes (LSP) and specialised discourse and welcomes contributions from such fields as terminology, genre studies, discourse studies, pragmatics, sociolinguistics, to mention some. The scholars are encouraged to share their insights into the aims and methods of current research on LSP and specialised discourse, by reviewing LSP status and emergent issues. The symposium aims at gaining a holistic overview of state-of-the-art research in LSP area.

The symposium aims at bringing together scholars, practitioners and emerging researchers in LSP as well as language technology product developers and providers. The participants are invited to share their research and practical know-how of teaching LSP to students of different training programmes, connecting the language classroom with workplace relevance. The forum for young researchers will be held in conjunction with the symposium and as such will provide students and junior researchers with the opportunity to present their research and receive feedback from experienced scholars.

Important dates

Submission of abstracts (online): **January 17, 2022**

Notification of acceptance of the abstracts: **February 14, 2022**

Early bird registration opens: **February 21, 2022**

Early bird registration closes & regular registration opens: **March 14, 2022**

The symposium fee is payable by bank transfer by **March 28, 2022**

Online registration closes on **March 28, 2022**

Online symposium: **April 28-29, 2022**

Submission of the manuscript electronically for review: **September 10, 2022**

The focus of the symposium is on but not limited to

Multilingualism in LSP

- Specialised discourse (business, law, medicine, engineering, cultural and literary studies, etc.);
- Theory and methodology of LSP research;
- Terminology interface of theory and practice in LSP;
- Corpus studies in LSP;
- Translation and interpretation in LSP.

Technologies in LSP

- Innovation, multimodality and digital technologies in LSP studies;
- OER (Open Educational Resources) in LSP teaching and learning;
- Game and game-based approaches in LSP teaching and learning;
- Influence of technologies on LSP integration with teaching and learning of other subjects.

Keynote speakers

DAY 1

Vita Kalnbērziņa (University of Latvia, Latvia) *Onsite versus online studies: student perspective*

Ingūna Skadiņa (University of Latvia, Latvia) *Latvian language resources and tools for research, education and technology development*

Crispin Thurlow (University of Bern, Switzerland) *No strings attached? Multilingual performance and fleeting conviviality in host-tourist encounters*

DAY 2

Liliana Szczuka-Dorna, ex-president of CercleS (Poznan University of Technology, Poland)

Ángel Felices Lago (University of Granada, Spain) *Why the cultural briefing is also necessary among Spanish-speaking countries? Non-verbal cross-cultural differences under scrutiny*

Presentation mode

Presenters (Oral Presentation) – Live ZOOM Presentation

Each Presenter will get 15 Minutes to do their Presentation (PPT is Recommended).

Each Presenter will have 5 Minutes for Q&A Session

Posters (Poster Presentation)

Each Poster will be displayed at the Conference Poster Wall (Poster Template)

Panel discussion

Panellists will be selected from among the contributors by the Organizing Committee.

The working languages

The working languages of the symposium are **English, French, and Spanish.**

Conference Proceedings

Submission of the manuscript electronically for review: **September 10, 2022.**

All submitted conference papers will be blind peer reviewed by competent reviewers, and the papers with positive reviews will be published in the *Language for International Communication: Linking Interdisciplinary Perspectives: Language for Specific Purposes in the Era of Multilingualism and Technologies* proceedings (indexed by EBSCO databases: Communication Source and Central & Eastern Europe Academic Source).

Selected papers will be published in the *Baltic Journal of English Language, Literature and Culture* – a multidisciplinary international scientific journal in general linguistics, applied linguistics, literature and culture (indexed by Web of Science, EBSCO databases: Central & Eastern Europe Academic Source, EBSCO Discovery Service, the EBSCO Humanities Source, and Google Scholar).

Symposium fee

Participation and publication fee (by bank transfer)

Early Bird Registration Rates

(Applicable to those who register by March 14th)

- Presenting Author: **EUR 70**;
- Presenting Co-authors: **EUR 35**;
- Presenting Author (PhD Student, co-authored by thesis supervisor): **EUR 35**;
- Attendee: **EUR 10**

Regular Registration Rates

(Applicable to those who register after the early-bird deadline)

- Presenting Author: **EUR 90**;
- Presenting Co-authors: **EUR 45**;
- Presenting Author (PhD Student, co-authored by thesis supervisor): **EUR 45**;
- Attendee: **EUR 10**

The payment includes confirmation of participation at the conference, the scientific publication, and the symposium package.

The symposium fee is payable by bank transfer by **March 28, 2022**. Details regarding the payment and the deadline will be communicated together with the notification of acceptance.

If the editorial board rejects the article in the review process as either thematically or qualitatively inappropriate, the publication fee is not refunded. The same applies in the case of authors, withdrawing their manuscript.

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