Globalisation and intercultural communication are two important phenomena that characterize contemporary society and labour market. Consequently, a good command of foreign languages has become essential for professionals from all walks of life. In response to the ever increasing need for good foreign language skills, researchers and practitioners constantly strive to enhance the teaching and learning process as well as adapt it to the current needs and trends.

For that reason we invite domestic and foreign researchers and practitioners in the field of LSP to participate at the conference to exchange and disseminate their expertise and good practice in foreign language teaching and learning. The 7th International Language Conference on the Importance of Learning Professional Foreign Languages for Communication between Cultures will take place at the Faculty of Economics and Business in Maribor from 11 to 12 September 2014.

Practitioners, researchers and postgraduate students interested in joining the discussion on current and emerging trends in foreign language teaching and learning are welcome to submit proposals for papers or workshops or join the conference as a listener.

Relevant themes and topics may include but are not limited to:

- the role of languages for specific purposes in the 21st century,
- modern methods/approaches used in teaching LSP,
- LSP teaching and learning with ICT,
- the Bologna process in an LSP course,
- developing language skills in an LSP course,
- preparation of materials for LSP teaching,
- assessment and grading in an LSP course,
- domain-specific/LSP terminology,
- intercultural dimension of teaching and learning in an LSP course,
- multilingualism and LSP.
Abstract submission

Those interested in presenting a paper or offering a workshop at the conference are invited to submit an abstract in English or German of 250-300 words. Please use the attached form and send it to int.conference@fl.uni-mb.si by no later than 16 May 2014 (please note that any abstracts received after this date will be put on a reserve list); the file name should be first author’s surname. Please include names, affiliations and contact details of all authors. Abstracts will be reviewed and selected by the professional committee of the conference. Authors will be notified of acceptance by 2 June 2014.

Papers

The conference papers of a minimum 1,500 words should be e-mailed to int.conference@fl.uni-mb.si by 10 August 2014 (papers can be written in English or in German). The paper template will be sent to you upon the acceptance of the abstract. Please note that the papers will not be accepted unless the speaker(s) have registered for the conference by 20 June 2014.

Presentation

Paper presentations (in English or German) at the conference should be no more than 20 minutes in length with 5 minutes for questions or a short discussion. Workshops (in English or German) should last 25 or 45 minutes.

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Conference fees (VAT included)

Conference fees include full two day conference programme, refreshments, lunch on Thursday and Friday and conference social event are as follows:

- €115 for the first participant from a faculty/school
- €80 for the second participant from the same faculty/school
- €50 for the third and each further participant from the same faculty/school

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