

The logo for the Society of Pakistan English Language Teachers (SPELT) features the acronym 'SPELT' in a large, bold, white sans-serif font. To the right of the text, there are three blue squares of varying sizes arranged vertically, with the middle one being the largest.

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The logo for the 37th anniversary celebration features the number '37' in a large, stylized, white font. The '3' is a simple outline, while the '7' has a thick, blocky design. Below the numbers, the words 'ANNIVERSARY' and 'CELEBRATION' are written in a smaller, white, sans-serif font, followed by '2021' and 'TH'.

Panel Discussion

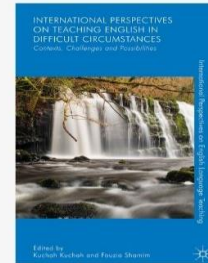
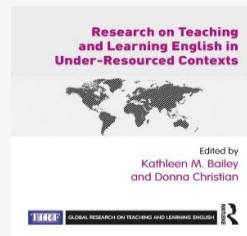
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Saturday, July 17th, 2021, 7:30-9:00 p.m (PKT)

Online Platform: Zoom

The panel discussion will be based around the major themes in 2 books as follows:



The aim is to bring these resources to the attention of SPELT members as well as other ELT professional working in 'difficult' or under-resourced contexts elsewhere.

Panelists



Dr. Kathleen Bailey
Middlebury Institute of International
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Dr. Fauzia Shamim
Ziauddin University
Karachi, Pakistan



Dr. Andy Curtis
University of Anaheim
Canada



Dr. Dario Luis Banegas
University of Strathclyde
UK



Dr. Prem Phyak
Chinese University of
Hong Kong, Hong Kong



Dr. Özgür Şahan
Yozgat Bozok University
Turkey

Moderator



Prof. Zakia Sarwar
SPELT, Pakistan

Free Registration at:

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Zoom Link will be sent a day before:

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Andy Curtis served as the 50th President of the TESOL International Association from 2015-16. He is a Professor in the Graduate School of Education at Anaheim University. he is currently at the forefront of the New Peace Linguistics field, and Virtual Reality in Language Education. He is based in Ontario, Canada.



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Fauzia Shamim is a Professor and Dean, Faculty of Liberal Arts and Human Sciences at Ziauddin University, Karachi, Pakistan. She is a founder member and Vice President of the Society of Pakistan English Language Teachers (SPELT); she was Chair of TESOL's Research Professional Council (2018-19).

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Zakia Sarwar needs no introduction as she is well known nationally and internationally as a seasoned ELT expert and educationist, with many honours to her credit. She is a mover and a shaker. The endearing term that SPELTers have given her is “Mother SPELT” which reflects her consistent role as a mentoring Founder member. She has put Pakistan on the ELT map of the world, and today SPELT is known as a model Teacher Association in our region and held in high esteem by international Teacher Associations such as TESOL and IATEFL. Through SPELT, she has established that language teaching – especially English Language Teaching - requires specialized training for effective teaching learning outcomes.