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38th SPELT International Conference 2022

November 5-6, 2022



On November 5 and 6, 2022, the Oxford University Press and the Society of Pakistan English Language Teachers jointly hosted the 38th International ELT conference. More than 600 attendees and presenters, both in-person and virtually, from Karachi and other locations across the world, attended the conference which was co-hosted by the Habib Public School in Karachi.

The first day of the conference began with an opening. Mohsin Tejani, President of SPELT, welcomed the guests and gave a brief introduction of SPELT's vision, mission and activities. Next, Sonia Kazim, Chair of the Conference Professional Council, shared the conference highlights. Raheela Baqai, on behalf of Arshad Saeed Hussain, Managing Director of Oxford University Press, and Minhas Tejani, Principal of Habib Public School, also provided their perspectives on how they had collaborated

with SPELT to provide opportunities for professional development for teachers at the national level.

The Conference, spanned over 2 days, offered 3 keynote, six plenary and 3 featured sessions, along with a panel discussion and 45 papers and workshops. The first keynote presentation titled "Seeking Success: What Counts in English Language Teaching", was given by former TESOL president Gabriela Kleckova. Dr. Gabriel Diaz Maggioli, President of IATEFL, UK, delivered the second keynote speech of the day and discussed "Teacher Education Practices that ENABLE Teacher Learning".

The panel discussion on "Contemporary National Trends in ELT," moderated by Dr. Fatima Rehan Dar, CEO of OAK Consulting, brought the first day to a close. Mr. Abbas Husain of the Teachers Development Center, Dr. Habibullah Pathan, Professor at Mehran University in Jamshoro's Centre of English Language and Linguistics (CELL), and Dr. Humaira Irfan, Associate Professor, University of Education, Lahore, Dr. Sumaira Umrani, Associate Professor of Applied Linguistics, University of Sindh, Jamshoro; Dr. Amjad Department of English and Applied Linguistics, University of Peshawar, were among the other eminent panelists..

Prof. Ivor Timmis of Leeds Beckett University began the second day of the conference with the third keynote address: "It's nice to discuss! making the most of speaking exercises in the classroom". He suggested to the audience that "scaffolding" (built-in support) would be a practical solution to deal with various problems in teaching speaking skills.

"Learning Challenges and Inclusive Practices in ELT: Teacher Awareness," presented by Bimali Indrarathne of the University of York, UK, was the first plenary session on Day 2 of the conference. She gave an overview of learning issues and explored inclusive teaching strategies that teachers can employ to support students who exhibit learning issues. Christine Coombe from HCT Dubai College for Men also gave a plenary speech titled "The Quest for Academic Excellence in ELT".

The following speaker, Nader Ayish from Khalifa University in the United Arab Emirates, discussed "Pleasure Reading Among ELL: Challenges and Possibilities". The Chinese Original Teaching Model—PADD, which stands for Presentation, Assimilation, Discussion, and Dialogue—was introduced online by Dr. Wanli Zhao of Xi'an Jiaotong University and Xianyang Normal University in the 4th plenary of the day. "Technology Wonders in Learning English" was presented by Dr. Sahiba Khatoon, Assistant Professor at Mehran University of Engineering and Technology Jamshoro, Sindh. Dr. Tayyaba Tamim's session on "Research Education and Literacy for Educators in Times of Change" was the 5th plenary on Day 2. SPELT also introduced the 'Graduate Students' Forum' in the conference with the inaugural session presented by Dr Christine Coombe from UAE.

Before the concluding session, a brief ceremony was held to introduce the book "ELT in Pakistan," edited by Dr. Naziha Ali and Christine Coombe.

The closing session started with a plenary address by Dr. Shahid Abrar-ul-Hassan of Yorkville University, Canada, titled "Overcoming the Challenges in Authentic, Alternative Assessments". This was followed by a hybrid session on "Teacher Stories." The highlight of this session was that teachers from all over the world including Bangladesh, Nepal, India, and the USA contributed their stories based on their personal experiences. Prof. Alan Maley, Fatima Shahbuddin, Nadra Huma Qureshi, Jane Willis, and Aneesa Mumtaz, five prominent professionals in the field of teaching and learning through stories, particularly in the context of ELT, judged this competition. Two Indian teachers and one Pakistani teacher were among the top three winners. Ten other participants were given an honorable mention for their stories.

The Top Three Winners of Teacher Stories 2022



Lee Krishnan,
Teacher Diamond Jubilee High
School Mumbai, **India**

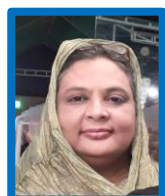


Freeha Sheikh,
Lahore Grammar School
Lahore, **Pakistan**



Neeraja Vinjamaram
Gps St.Peters Kachiguda,
Hyderabad, Telangana, **India**

Winners of Teacher Stories



Aliya Aziz,
Pakistan



Asha Rani Khurana,
Delhi, **India**



Neeraja Vinjamaram
Hyderabad, **India**



Bhola Kumar,
Udayapur, **Nepal**



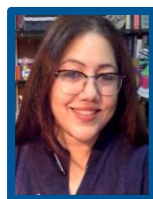
Urooj Aamir,
Pakistan



Prof. Laxman Gnawali,
Kathmandu **Nepal**



Zil e Huma
Lalpir, **Pakista**



Dr Ghazala Siddiqi,
New Delhi, **India**



Ujala Meeran,
Sialkot, **Pakistan**



Saudi E. Tantong,
Philippines

Following are some glimpses of the conference:





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Post Conference Institute

SP-ELT 2- Hour Workshop **38** Years of Empowering Teachers

Post Conference Institute (PCI)

VOCABULARY MATTERS

- SPELT Members Fee: PKR 1400/
- Non Members Fee : PKR 1800/
- Date: November 07, 2022
- Time: 3:00 to 5:00pm
- Venue: SPELT House
- E-Certificate will be provided
- Limited seats on first come, first served basis

IVOR TIMMIS

Registration can only be availed for in-person participation

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A highly successful workshop was conducted by Ivor Timmis on November 7, 2022.

The Post Conference Institute attracted more than 13 participants.



Upcoming Professional Development Webinar

**2- Hour Webinar**
Post Conference Institute

THE MBTI:
REVEALS LEARNER NEEDS AND
SATISFIES LEARNER
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 **START AT**
03 PM - 05 PM

 **SATURDAY**
19 DECEMBER 2022

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Click here to register: <https://forms.gle/bmFeSYk9RYcmiXb66>

Free Academic Session

SPELT continues its mission of empowering ELT teachers in Pakistan by providing free Academic Webinars every month. In November, the webinar was delivered by Sobia Begum, an experienced ELT practitioner, on the the topic of **Planning Effective Language Teaching Lessons**. Around 25 participants attended the webinar and explored the idea of planning language lessons keeping in view important theories such as Bloom's Taxonomy of Thinking and Multiple Intelligences.

**38** Years of Empowering Teachers

ACD WEBINAR NO: 457
FREE WEBINAR FOR ENGLISH TEACHERS

Planning
Effective
Language
Teaching Lessons


SOBIA BEGUM

Day: Saturday Date: November 26, 2022
Time: 12:00pm to 01:00pm


Contact No: 0333-3754250


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**TESOL Affiliate News**
TESOL News and Information for TESOL Affiliate Leaders

**SAVE THE DATES!**
TESOL 2023
INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION & ENGLISH LANGUAGE EXPO
PORTLAND, OR, USA: 21 - 26 MARCH
WENTZ: 27 - 4 APRIL

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LEADERSHIP UPDATES
THE ANPC AND AFFILIATE EXPERIENCES IN A POST-PANDEMIC ENVIRONMENT
Beside Karim-Lazari, Chair, Affiliate Network Professional Council (ANPC)
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THE EIGHT PRIORITIES OF TESOL INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION'S NEW STRATEGIC DIRECTION FOR 2022-2025
Gabriela Kleckova, Joyce King & Shelley K. Taylor
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THE POWER OF COLLABORATION AND NETWORKING AMONGST TESOL AFFILIATES

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Upcoming Affiliate Conferences
For additional conference information or to submit an event, visit the Worldwide Calendar of Events online.

November

- 11-12: CoTESOL 45th Annual Fall Convention
- 11-14: JALT2022
- 12: Maryland TESOL 42nd Annual Fall

You can access the ANPC newsletter using this link: bit.ly/3E6EdQr.



It's time to prepare your proposal for 2023!

It's not long now until we will be opening our call for proposals for the 56th IATEFL International Conference and Exhibition for English language teacher professionals. This will take place in Harrogate, UK from Tuesday 18 to Friday 21 April 2023.

The deadline for submissions is **16.00 (UK time) Wednesday 21 September 2022** (please note, this is an extension to the previously advertised deadline). We will not be able to accept any further proposals after this time.

In order to make sure you are ready there's a few things you can start doing now.

1. Join IATEFL or renew your membership. It is a requirement of everyone submitting a proposal (including joint speakers) that they have a current IATEFL membership at the time of submission. You can find out more about IATEFL membership at www.iatefl.org/membership and join via your IATEFL Dashboard. If you have never logged into the IATEFL Dashboard before, you can create a free account [here](#).

2. Watch Madeleine du Vivier's session on How to write an effective IATEFL conference proposal. This is free to watch via IATEFL's YouTube channel at <https://youtu.be/5Gexv0fQ0dI>. It contains some helpful advice about the types of sessions and selection criteria.

3. Develop your idea and draft your proposal. Start thinking about the topic you would like to speak on and share your thoughts with colleagues. It's always useful to get feedback and you may find someone you can collaborate with for a joint proposal. Once you have settled on an idea, draft your proposal. You will need to submit a title (maximum 10 words), an abstract (50-60 words) for the Conference Programme, and a summary (200-250 words) that will inform the proposals committee of the content and structure of your presentation. The full guidelines for submissions can be found at www.iatefl.org/conference/iatefl-conference-speaker-guidelines.

4. Think about funding. All speakers are required to pay the full conference fee of £185 (or £112 for [student members](#)) in order to secure their place in the programme. You will not need to pay this until after the proposal results are released in early December 2022 but now is a good time to speak to your manager about funding to make sure you can pay the fee and get to Harrogate. The deadline for all speakers to make their payments is Wednesday 22 December 2022 at 16.00 ([UK time](#)).

5. Tell your friends and colleagues. Please feel free to forward this email onto anyone you know who might be interested in presenting at the 56th IATEFL International Conference and Exhibition.

Once the call for proposals is open we will send instructions on what you will need to do to make sure your proposal is submitted correctly by the deadline, so keep an eye on your emails over the next few weeks. This information will also be available at www.iatefl.org/conference/speaker-information.

Some key dates for your diary

Wednesday 21 September 2022 at 16.00 (UK time): Proposal submission deadline

Early December 2022: You will hear the results of your proposal submission

Wednesday 22 December 2022 at 16.00 (UK time): Speaker payment deadline

Tuesday 18 - Friday 21 April 2023: 56th IATEFL International Conference and Exhibition

Good luck with your preparations, we look forward to receiving your proposal.

Join SPELT to reap many more benefits...

- To join SPELT as a new member or renew your membership, please download

the membership form from the link: <https://forms.gle/69dNXszTETcNTLDX6> Please fill the form, submit the fees online and send the picture of your bank receipt to speltheadoffice@gmail.com

To join the SPELT Facebook group, please visit the link:
<https://www.facebook.com/groups/235003087675238/>

You will be asked for your SPELT membership number, before your request is accepted.

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International Package for 3 years US\$ 125/		
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