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Professional Development Professional Council





Prof Dr Nasreen Hussain

SPELT Members & Non Members
Fee: PKR 5000/-
Venue: SPELT House
Refreshment & Lunch will be provided

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6-HOUR WORKSHOP

Raising Teacher Awareness of Dyslexia and Inclusive Practices

Target Audience: All Teachers & Coordinators

Saturday | February 25 | 2023
10:00 am to 4:00pm

Certificates will be given by Lancaster & York Universities, UK

Limited seats on first come, first served basis

SPFLT House: 101 1st Floor, Plot No. C-28, Kh-e-Ittehad, Lane 12, Phase II, Ext DHA, Karachi

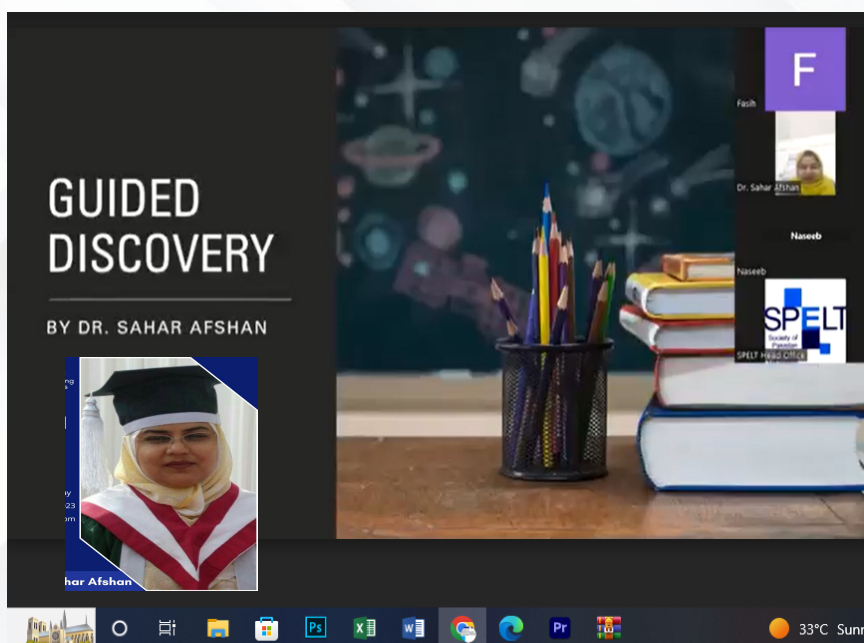
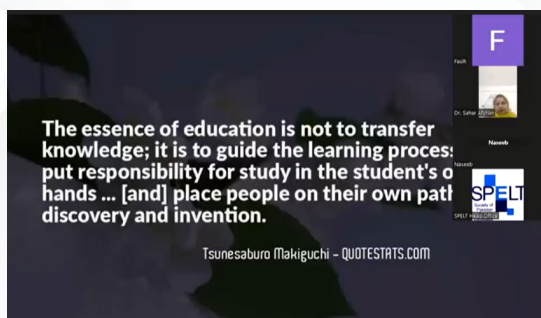
Prof Dr Nasreen Hussain conducted a full-day workshop on 'Raising English Teacher Awareness: Dyslexia and Inclusive Practices' in collaboration with the universities of York and Lancaster, UK. It turned out to be a very interactive and informative workshop as the topic was novel surrounded by myths and reservations. The topic unfolded gradually through hands-on activities to raise the

language teachers' awareness of dyslexia and inclusive language teaching practices, giving them the confidence to implement the concept at work and discuss the issues in their work environment. The workshop ended with a positive note when one of the teachers said, "For me all students have been 'issue' free and treated at par. Why was I asleep for so many years? Now I have taken on myself to introduce the concept of dyslexia in my school." Another teacher exclaimed, "Now I know what dyslexia really is and why it is the most common learning disorder?"



Free Academic Session

SPELT takes pride in offering free monthly academic sessions for the development of English language teachers. This was our 460th session which was led by Dr Sahar Afshan, a profound academic and researcher who is currently working as an Assistant Professor in Bahria University, Karachi. She walked the participants through the use of Guided Discovery in English language lessons followed by a detailed question and answer session to help participants clarify their queries and enhance their

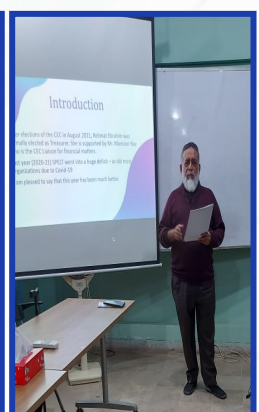
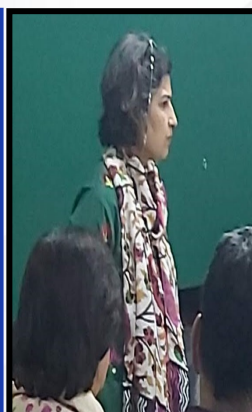
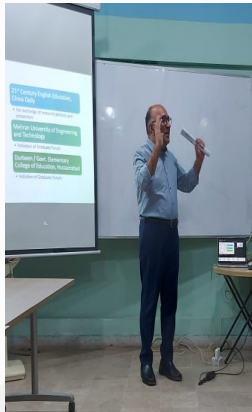


SPELT Annual General Body Meeting

SPELT's Annual General Meeting for 2022 was held on Saturday, February 11, 2023 at 3:00 p.m., at the registered office of the Society in Karachi. The meeting agenda included a report from the President and the four professional councils followed by presentation of the audited financial accounts for the financial year 2021-22. The AGM was attended by members of the Central Executive Committee and Professional Councils, and other members at large.

The Annual General Body meeting provides the members an opportunity to learn about the activities carried out by the organization in the previous year, and to share their ideas and suggestions for enhancing the quality and scope of SPELT's operations.

The next AGM will be held in November 2023 during the annual SPELT conference.



SPELT President and Professional Council Chairs presenting their annual reports at the AGM.



Representing SPELT at IATEFL, UK and TESOL International, USA

SPELT is an affiliate of IATEFL, UK and TESOL International, USA. Each year, SPELT nominates a representative for these 2 conferences. These conferences provide a great networking opportunity which is leveraged by SPELT representatives to identify and invite speakers for the SPELT conference and learn new ideas about addressing the many challenges that face Language Teachers Associations today.

For 2023, we are happy to announce that Dr Naizha Ali has been nominated to represent SPELT both the IATEFL Conference due to be held in Harrogate UK from April 18 to 21, 2023, and the TESOL International Conference in Portland, Oregon, USA from March 21 to 24, 2023. She will be attending the Associates Day in the IATEFL Conference and the Affiliate Leadership Workshop and Affiliate Colloquium at TESOL to share with and learn from other affiliates.

We look forward to hearing from her about her participation in these affiliate conference events and reading her detailed reports on her return.

**IF YOU ARE A SPELT MEMBER IN GOOD STANDING FOR AT
LEAST 3 YEARS AND WISH TO REPRESENT
SPELT AT THE IATEFL OR TESOL CONFERENCES IN 2024, PLEASE CONTACT
THE SPELT OFFICE WITH YOUR REQUEST AND DETAILS OF YOUR
CONFERENCE PARTICIPATION AT
LEAST 10-12 WEEKS BEFORE THE EVENT.**

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OPPORTUNITIES FROM AROUND THE GLOBE**



IATEFL WMS SCHEME for SPELT MEMBERS

Dear Members,

We are pleased to inform you about this wonderful opportunity to become a member of the International Association of Teachers of English as a Foreign Language (IATEFL) by paying PKR 2500 only. This exclusive offer is time-bound, and only for SPELT members.

The benefits of becoming an IATEFL member through the Wider Membership Scheme are:

- 1. Keep yourself updated about the latest happenings in the ELT global community**
- 2. Get connected to the wider English language community (100+ affiliates of IATEFL)**
- 3. Get access to FREE resources for IATEFL members only**
- 4. Get first-hand information about scholarships and grants**
- 5. Get discount on conference registration and other paid courses/webinars**

If interested, please send your IATEFL membership request to the SPELT office with your membership details. You will then be guided about how you can make your payment. please get in touch with Sadia Jamil for more information and payment details:

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Email Address: speltheadoffice@gmail.com

IATEFL Link: <https://forms.gle/2iPGX3eRd2kjdgGXA>

The last date for submission of details including proof of bank payment is **March 10, 2023.**

We hope you will benefit from this exclusive offer.



Message from AsiaTEFL President

We wish the year 2023, the Year of the Rabbit, brings you great health, happiness, prosperity, and peace!

AsiaTEFL celebrates its 20th anniversary this year. With your constant support and participation, AsiaTEFL has grown remarkably in both size and content, boasting about 19,000 members from all around the world who have gathered together with the shared goal of developing our profession: English Language Teaching in Asian contexts and cultures.

The 21st AsiaTEFL International Conference, or AsiaTEFL 2023, being held in celebration of our 20th anniversary, will take place at Daejeon Convention Center, Daejeon, S. Korea, August 17-20, 2023. The conference theme is “Celebrating ELT in Asia: Visions and Aspirations.”

Our hybrid conference is getting ready to host participants both in person and online. Our keynote speaker Dr. Youngsuk ‘YS’ Chi, Chairman of Elsevier, USA, will project the future of ELT from his global leadership perspective along with our plenary speakers: Prof. Jihyeon Jeon (S. Korea), Prof. Francisca Maria Ivone (Indonesia), Prof. Tariq Elyas (Saudi Arabia), Prof. Xuesong Andy Gao (Australia), Prof. Peter de Costa (USA), and Prof. Phyllis Ghim-Lian Chew (Singapore). This year’s conference becomes special by presenting our four Vice-Presidents as featured speakers: Profs. Masaki Oda, Qiufang Wen, Pragasit Sitthitikul, and Ramesh Nair. We also feature Prof. Jeongyeon Kim, Journal managing editor, and Prof. Aurelio Vilbar, Regional Representative of the Philippines.

YOU are AsiaTEFL, and are cordially invited to AsiaTEFL 2023. The conference website <https://www.asiatefl2023.org> awaits your visit. We strongly encourage you to submit your presentation proposal. The submission deadline is February 28. Please do not miss this great opportunity for you to be part of a historical event. For further information, please write to:

We look forward to seeing you in Daejeon in August!

With best regards,
Joo-Kyung Park and Suwarsih Madya
Presidents, AsiaTEFL (2022-2024)

Hee-Kyung Lee and Robert J. Dickey
Conference Chair and Co-Chair, AsiaTEFL 2023



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.

About Membership Subscription and Dues

Individual Membership	Institutional Membership	Life Membership	Special Membership Package for 3 years
PKR 1500	PKR 5000	PKR 15000	PKR 4000

International Package for 3 years US\$ 125/	International Membership for 1 year US\$ 60/
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