



## SECOND INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON BILINGUALISM:

# BILINGUALISM, HERITAGE LANGUAGES AND MIGRATION

https://biuned2020.weebly.com/

# November 12 and 13, 2020 \*\*Online conference\*\*

## **CALL FOR PAPERS**

Bilingualism is now recognised as one of the most attractive fields of research in applied linguistics, as evidenced by the ever-increasing amount of publications, conferences, seminars and symposia aimed at capturing its essence. Bilingualism, when understood as the ability to make use of two languages in communication can certainly not be separated from speakers, as it is definitely a reflection, and oftentimes the result, of their diverse cultural and geographical backgrounds. It is therefore with a view to gaining an insight into the various concepts that intersect with bilingualism that we decided to organise a series of conferences which would enable researchers to present ground-breaking research and eventually cause positive changes in academia and society at large.

While the first edition dealt with the challenges, limits and solutions involved when considering bilingualism and interculturality, this conference is going to address the relationship between bilingualism and migration. In fact, it goes without saying that the direct consequence of people's moving from one place to another may be the need to learn languages distinct from their mother tongues. Nevertheless, the learning of a

second language as a result of migration can pose serious challenges and may eventually lead to long-term effects on the mother tongue and the second language.

This conference thus aims to provide a platform to researchers interested in discussing bilingualism against the backdrop of migration. We welcome proposals that deal with bilingualism (involving English and/or Spanish) while establishing a clear correlation between bilingual speakers' linguistic choices and migration. Possible areas of interest include heritage languages, bilingualism in migrant families, migration and language loss, just to name a few. Proposals in **English or Spanish** will be accepted.

# Plenary speakers

Professor Kim Potowski (University of Illinois, USA)

Professor Annick De Houwer (Erfurt University, Germany)

Prospective speakers are requested to consider the following information:

### 1. SUBMISSION OF PROPOSALS

Participation is open to all researchers interested in the conference theme. Proposals for papers in **English or Spanish** are welcomed. It is worth noting that presentations will last 20 minutes, followed by 10 minutes for discussion. The deadline for the submission of proposals is **September 21**<sub>st</sub>, 2020.

Your proposal should include:

- A title (max. 15 words)
- Key words (max. 5 words)
- An abstract (300-400 words, not including references), followed by 5-10 references.
- A short biography (max. 200 words)

All proposals must be submitted online via EasyChair. While abstracts can be inserted (typed/pasted) directly into the relevant section on EasyChair, authors' biodata must be uploaded as PDF files. The procedure for creating an EasyChair account, if you don't have one, and submitting your proposal is as follows (skip steps 1-3 if you have an EasyChair account already)

- 1. Go to <a href="https://easychair.org/account/signup">https://easychair.org/account/signup</a>
- 2. Complete the CAPTCHA authentication procedure (if need be) and click on "Continue"

3. After you've filled in the form, EasyChair will send you an email with a link that you

can use to confirm the creation of your account.

4. Log into your Easychair account, click on the following link or copy and paste it into

your browser's address bar <a href="https://easychair.org/conferences/?conf=biuned2020">https://easychair.org/conferences/?conf=biuned2020</a>

5. Click on "Enter as an Author"

6. Fill in the form with your details and click on "Submit"

2. NOTIFICATION OF ACCEPTANCE

A written acceptance or refusal of proposals will be sent by e-mail no later than

September 30th, 2020

3. REGISTRATION

Once a paper has been accepted, participants should proceed to register for the

conference and pay the conference fees. Registration and payment will take place from

October 1st to November 5th, inclusive. Information on how to complete payment will be

available on the conference website by mid-September 2020.

The conference fees are as follows:

Speakers:

Early-bird registration (Until Oct. 15th) €110

Late registration (from Oct. 15th) €140

Attendees:

Early-bird registration (Until Oct. 15th) €40

Late registration (After Oct. 15th) €55

Reduced fee:

Speakers based in developing countries (Africa, Asia and Latin America) may apply

for a fee reduction by getting in touch with the Organising Committee after the

acceptance of their proposal.

All attendees and speakers will be entitled to a certificate which will serve as evidence

of their participation in the conference.

(NOTE: In case of co-authorship, only one presenter or participant should register for the conference.)

### 4. PUBLICATION

A selection of the papers presented at the conference will be published in Spanish journal Studies in Applied English Linguistics / Estudios de Lingüística Inglesa Aplicada (ELIA) (http://revistas.uned.es/index.php/ELIA/index). All oral presenters will be invited to submit paper manuscripts for possible inclusion in the journal. In addition, the best manuscripts we receive may be published as an edited volume with a high impact publisher.

# 5. CONTACT AND FURTHER INFORMATION

You can find more information relating to the conference on our website: https://biuned2020.weebly.com

You may also reach out to the Organizing Committee by email or ordinary mail at the following addresses:

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