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30th Annual International BETA Conference 2023 “A Jubilee: The Past, Present and Future of ELT”

PROGRAMME

Day 1: Saturday 9th September 2023

Time	Room 1	Room 2	Room 3	Room 4
8.30 – 9.30	Foyer: On-site registration			
9.30 – 10.00	Hall: Opening ceremony			
10.00 – 10.50 Hall	Plenary: Maria Schahpazian, TESOL Macedonia Thrace, IATEFL The Future of EFL Classroom: How reflective practitioners empower learners			
Concurrent sessions 11.00 – 11.30	Svetlana Zuvic ELTA Serbia Workshop: How to make positive classroom noise with Young Learners?	Aglika Dobрева Shumen University English as a Lingua Franca in the ULL	Svetlana Dimitrova NBU Learning English through Literature – The Synergy between Cognition and Emotion	
11.30 – 11.45	Foyer: Coffee break sponsored by Express Publishing			
Concurrent sessions 11.50 – 12.20	Sviatlana Karpava University of Cyprus Development of 21st century skills in EFL classrooms	Silvie Dolakova ATECR Czech Republic Workshop: Let's Play, Let's Move!	Larisa Guzun META Moldova Workshop: Creating and Adjusting the Lessons Content to Students' needs	Prosveta Publishing Group Cvetelena Taralova & Desislava Petkova TEACH ENGLISH DIFFERENTLY: Planning a foreign language lesson for secondary school students for secondary school students
Concurrent sessions 12.30 – 13.00	Jožica Nuč VIZ II. OŠ Rogaška Slatina, Slovenia Workshop: To write or not to write!	Maria Mijušković ELTAM Montenegro The Influence of Implementing Role-Play as a	Charlotte Smith British Council Developing Learner Autonomy with Artificial Intelligence	



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		Teaching Technique on the Development of Speaking Skills in University ESP Courses		
13.00 – 13.45	Lunch break			
13.45 – 14.35 Hall	Plenary: Zarina Markova, South West University ELT confidence: Friend or foe?			
Concurrent sessions 14.40 – 15.10	Room 1	Room 2	Room 3	
	Grenville Yeo SOL Linking classrooms across borders through English	Evi Karydi DramActivate Workshop: DramActivate: Embodied Storytelling for Language Classrooms	Elona Kolaj ELTA Albania The new pedagogic approach of foreign language teaching	
Concurrent sessions 15.15 – 15.45	Gabi Čakš VIZ II. OŠ Rogaška Slatina, Slovenia Workshop: ADD SOME MORE- Extracurricular activities in English	Krum Sotirov Democratic Education, Varna Breaking bad? Should street language be taught at school	Maria Schahpazian TESOL Macedonia Thrace Do adults know best? The maze of motivating the adult learners.	
15.45 – 16.00	Foyer: Coffee break			
Concurrent sessions 16.00 – 16.30	Gabriela Nedelkoska AUE - FON Teachers' role as instructors and facilitators in the use of VLS	Dennis Newson Formerly (now retired) Osnabrück University Germany Reflections on having taught TEFL for over 50 years (Sharing is caring)	Vanya Katsarska BAFA Cleared for take-off: from authentic tasks to communicative classroom activities	
Concurrent sessions 16.40 – 17.10	Marta Bujakowska IATEFL, IATEFL- Poland Workshop:	Ivana Juríková SCELT Slovakia Generation Z – Factors contributing to the development of foreign language anxiety	Ekaterina Popkova MGIMO University, Russia Approaches to assessing EFL students' teamwork	



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	Do we want obedient or critically thinking students?		
17.30 – 18.30	Room 1: AGM		
18.30 – 20.00 Foyer	Conference cocktail Raffle draw		

Day 2: Sunday 10th September 2023

Time	Room 1	Room 2	Room 3
9.00 – 10.00	Foyer: On-site registration		
10.00 – 10.50 Hall	Plenary: Vanya Katsarska, Bulgarian Air Force Academy For whom the bell tolls		
Concurrent sessions 11.00 – 11.30	Sylvie Dolakova ATECR Czech Republic Workshop: Grammar in communication, communication through grammar	Zarina Markova SWU Creative writing in the English language classroom	Anna Gębka-Suska IATEFL-Poland May you teach your own children! – What can teachers learn by teaching English to their own kids?
11.30 - 11.50	Foyer: Coffee break		
Concurrent sessions 11.50 – 12.20	Jenny Dooley Express Publishing Getting the Message Across: Mediation in the EFL Classroom	Lina Yanbastieva-Petrova + Zhenya Tellalova Yoan Ekzarh Balgarski Secondary School, Shumen Workshop: Using mozaBook in the English language classroom	Sonja Haakonsen VTU Free writing as a teaching tool
Concurrent sessions 12.30 – 13.00	Jenny Dooley Express Publishing (promotional) Teaching in the past or teaching in the present? Creating a culture of effective communication	Lina Yanbastieva-Petrova + Zhenya Tellalova Yoan Ekzarh Balgarski Secondary School, Shumen Workshop: Using mozaBook in the	Gabriela Nedelkoska AUE - FON The role of learners' gender in Vocabulary Learning Systems (VLS) Use



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	in the language classroom	English language classroom	
13.00 – 14.00	Lunch break		
Concurrent sessions 14.00 – 14.30	Maria Metodieva Klett, 2 ELS “Thomas Jefferson”, Sofia Opportunities and challenges in teaching EFL at upper-secondary level	Irina Ivanova Shumen University What matters in teaching: trainees’ evaluation of key aspects of professional expertise	Efren Serra U.S. Fulbright Bulgaria English Teaching Assistant Techniques on adapting materials for developing the speaking skill
Concurrent sessions 14.40 – 15.10	Maya Boicheva UNWE Potentialities of using travel writing as a resource in the ESP classroom	Mariya Neykova NBU Persuasive Communication in English Language Teaching: Challenges and Perspectives	Sylvia Velikova VTU, FIPLV Galya Vezirova VTU, SU “E. Stanev” Veliko Tarnovo Workshop Differentiated grammar instruction in the EFL classroom
15.10-15.40	Foyer: Coffee break		
Concurrent sessions 15.40 – 16.10	Valentina Kikerkova Independent Teaching culture to young learners	Dilyan Gatev UNWE Differences between ESP and EGP according to students and lecturers	Alla Litvinenko Municipal Educational Institution, Dnipro Engage your students with Jamboard
16.20 – 16.50	Georgi Dimitrov UNWE Foreign language teaching from the point of view of language contact	Reneta Stoimenova Ekzarh Yosif Foreign Language School, Razgrad Publishing Wikipedia	Boyka Petkova Medical University-Sofia The application of the direct method during a lesson of Medical English
16.50 – 17.10	Hall: Closing ceremony & presentation of certificates		

MATERIALS EXHIBITION: FOYER, both conference days



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Dear BETA conference participants and members,

Language is the foundation of culture and culture is the canvas of history, so we hope to prepare the canvas of the education of the future together with you.

We are looking forward to seeing you in Shumen next year.

BETA Committee



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LATEST & TRENDY

THE FLIBETS: PRE A1



WORD GAMES AND PUZZLES: PRE A1-A2



iWONDER: PRE A1-A2+



#ENGLISH: A1-B1



4MINDS: A1-C1/C2



THE ART OF WRITING: B2-C2



GRAMMAR & VOCABULARY BOOSTER: B2-C2



NOCN: B1-C2



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