

# international language conference komunikacija med kulturami

## **Call for Abstracts for**

The International Language Conference on

# 'The Importance of Learning Professional Foreign Languages for Communication between Cultures'

# 20 - 21 September 2012

Organised by The Faculty of Logistics, University of Maribor, Celje, Slovenia

In today's faster than ever changing society teachers are faced with a challenge of how to adapt to changes in the field of methodology as well as technology to design courses that cater best for students' needs. In this process we are constantly faced with new concepts and paradigms, from which we have to choose the ones that are most suitable for our teaching and learning processes and thus equip our students with the knowledge and skills they will need in their professional lives as well for lifelong learning.

Equally, today's students require greater challenges, more variety and flexibility in their studies. New learning technologies have great potential, yet they have shifted our understanding of learning and teaching processes. This year's conference thus aims to provide an exciting focus on emerging, developing and existing learning technologies and teaching methods in LSP. Lecturers, researchers and practitioners are invited to discuss the role and challenges of new learning technologies and methods, lecturers and learners from higher education institutions are faced with in the 21st century.

We are inviting you to submit proposals for papers or workshops which will be delivered in English or one of the following world languages - German, Italian or French - provided at least 5 conference participants register for a presentation/workshop.

Possible themes include, but are not limited to:

- the role of languages for specific purposes in the 21st century,
- modern methods/approaches used in teaching LSP,
- the impact of information and communications technology on teaching/ learning LSP,
- the Bologna process in an LSP course,
- developing language skills in an LSP course,
- preparation of glossaries of professional terminology for LSP teaching,
- preparation of materials for LSP teaching,
- assessment and grading in an LSP course,
- intercultural dimension of teaching and learning in an LSP course,
- multilingualism and LSP.

#### **Abstract submission**

Those interested in presenting a paper or offering a workshop at the conference are invited to submit an abstract in English or German of 250-300 words. Please use the attached form and send it to

int.conference@fl.uni-mb.si by no later than 25 May 2012 (please note that any abstracts received after this date will be put on a reserve list); the file name should be first author's surname. Please include names, affiliations and contact details of all authors. Abstracts will be reviewed and selected by the professional committee of the conference. Authors will be notified of acceptance by 20 June 2012.

### **Important dates**

Date	Event
February 2012	Call for abstracts opens
25 May 2012	Deadline for abstracts
20 June 2012	Notification of accepted abstracts &
	Conference registration opens
13 July 2012	Deadline for registration of authors
31 August 2012	Deadline for full papers & payment of
	the conference fee for authors
14 September 2012	2 Deadline for registration & payment of
	the conference fee for listeners

# **Conference fees (VAT included)**

Conference fees include full two day conference programme, refreshments, lunch on Thursday and Friday and conference social event are as follows:

€115	for the first participant from a faculty/school
€75	for the second participant from the same faculty/school
€50	for the third and each further participant from the same faculty/school

Details on the conference will be published on our website http://fl.uni-mb.si/.

#### **Presentation**

Paper presentations at the conference should be no more than 20 minutes in length with 5 minutes for questions or a short discussion. Workshops should last 25 or 45 minutes.

# **Papers**

The conference papers of a minimum 1,500 words should be e-mailed to

int.conference@fl.uni-mb.si by 31 August 2012. Please note that papers will not be accepted unless speaker(s) have registered for the conference.

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