The International Scientific Conference  
Contemporary Challenges of Multiculturalism and Language Policies  
16-17 May 2014

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South East European University, Tetovo, Macedonia

Conference Program

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| 10:00-10:20 | Opening  
Prof. Dr. Zamir Dika, Rector, South East European University (SEEU)  
Prof. Dr. Andrew Goodspeed, Provost of South East European University and Chair of  
the Scientific Committee of the Conference  
Prof. Dr. Veton Latifi, Director, SEEU’s Scientific Institute “Max van der Stoel” |
| 10:30-11:45 | Parallel sessions  
Panel 1: Challenges of the multiculturalism  
Chair: Prof. Dr. Andrew Goodspeed  
Location: BDC Conference Hall  
Iranda Bajrami, MA & Jehona Mustafa, MA (SEEU) - Cross-cultural differences of apologies between native Albanian and American speakers  
Dilina Beshiri, PhD (University of Durrës “Aleksandër Moisiu”) & Edi Puka, PhD (European University of Tirana) - Multicultural education and the role of school institutions  
Jonela Canaj, MA (Albania) - The idea of a new Europe under the context of multiculturalism |
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Chair: Prof. Dr. Benjamin Keatinge  
Location: 101-02  
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Daniela Ilievksa, MA (SEEU) - Multilingualism in the university setting  
Veronika Kareva, PhD (SEEU) - Promotion of multilingualism in education: analysis of the current situation in the Republic of Macedonia |
| 13:00-14:00 | Break  
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Chair: Prof. Dr. Gëzim Xhaferri  
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Nina N. Gjoçi, MA (European University of Tirana) - Defining the “Far and Near Other”: The Impact of Cultural Identity in and through Communication

Shqipe Hajredini, MA (Kosovo) - Do extensive legal and constitutional guarantees on bilingualism and multilingualism contribute to integration of minorities? The case of Kosovo

Mustafa Ibrahimi, PhD & Blagojka Zdravkovska-Adamova, PhD (SEEU)- Multilingualism at the South East European University

Mirushe Hoxha, PhD (SEEU)- Language as Identity: What makes the difference?

Mirton Resuli, MA (Fenix, Albania) - Trapped in Transition- The multicultural clash of returning emigrants in Albania

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**Multiculturalism Communication Approaches**

*Bujar Hoxha, PhD (SEEU), Multilingualism and sameness vs. otherness in a semiotic context*

*Agim Poshka, PhD (SEEU) - Benefits and Drawbacks of Social Media in Multicultural Education*

*Gentjana Panxhi, MA (Aleksandër Moisiu University, Durrës)- Influence of the teachers’ communication styles and multiculturalism in the performance of the students*

**Panel 5 (cont.)**

**Models of multiculturalism in South East Europe**

*Jeta Rushidi, MA & Jehona Rushidi-Rexhepi, MA (SEEU)- Cross-Linguistic Influence in Foreign Language Acquisition: A Case Study with EFL Albanian University Students in a Multilingual Context*

*Fitim Mulolli, MA (University College “Universum”, Pristina) - Kosovo’s Model of Multiculturalism: Does it guarantee a meaningful participation?*

*Mirela Xhaferraj – Mitro, PhD (University of Tirana, Albania)- Bilingual education of Greek minority in Albania*

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**Multiculturalism and social integration**

*Agron Rustemi, PhD (SEEU)- Multiculturalism as a tool for social cohesion in multiethnic states*

*Lorenc Xhaferraj, MA (Institute of European Studies, Tirana University)- Albania’s Multiculturalism and social cohesion: The case of Kosovo*

*Arafat Shabani, PhD (South East European University)- Connectivity with group and multicultural education as social influence in creation of the ethnic attitudes*
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Abdülkadir Kabadays, PhD (Necmettin Erbakan University, Turkey) - A Suggested IPOF Instructional Model for the Gifted Bilinguals / Multilingual’s Based on MI Theory  
Meri Kraja, MA (Wisdom University, Tirana) - The political costs and economic costs of multilingualism in the EU | *Chair:* Prof. Dr. Benjamin Keatinge  
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Kadri Metaj, PhD (University of Prishtina, Kosovo) - Multiculturalism, Identities and their collision  
Endri Papajorgji, PhD (Public University of Tirana, Albania) - The deployment of Multiculturalism and Democracy in International Law | *Language policies*  
*Chair:* Prof. Dr. Gëzim Xhaferri  
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Natalia Kolnik, MA (AAB University, Prishtina) - (Multi)Cultural Identity  
Verica Stamenkova Trajkova, PhD, Ivan Trajkov, PhD, Sofija Georgievskà, PhD, Frosina Denkova Zafirovska, PhD (UKIM, Macedonia) - Skills for multicultural education |
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Discussion: Challenges of the multiculturalism |                                                   |                                                   |                                                   |
| 12:30      | End of the conference                                                            |                                                   |                                                   |                                                   |
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