

Connecting the Dots in a Glocalized World

3rd International Conference on Language, Linguistics, Literature and Translation

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Department of English Language and Literature - Sultan Qaboos University

Call Deadline (Early Decision): 14 February 2016. Decision returned by 29 February

Call Deadline (Regular): 11 April 2016. Decision returned by 2 May

Meeting Description

Connecting the Dots in a Glocalized World 2016 will provide a forum for the exchange of ideas in the four main disciplines of language, linguistics, literature and translation. As the title for the conference suggests, the aim is to highlight the relationship between global themes and local practices. The focus thus is on the under-examined interactions that occur as globalization takes on negotiated forms in different contexts. With an emphasis on interdisciplinary studies and methodologies, the conference will centralize research which extends theory, methodology and application (e.g., translation and technology; linguistic frameworks for literary analysis); it will also highlight research that weds local scholarly and pedagogical projects with global concerns (e.g., English as a local/global language; social media and language choice). Proposals that aim to address either of these two areas, and which emphasize exploratory, experimental research or reconstructed concepts, frameworks of analysis, or approaches, are particularly welcome.

Proposals which fall outside the focus of the conference, but within the disciplines of language, linguistics, literature and translation, shall also be considered.

Confirmed Keynote Speakers

- **Jan Blommaert (Linguistics):** Tilburg University, The Netherlands
- **Michael Cronin (Translation):** Dublin City University, Ireland
- **Ian Almond (Literature):** Georgetown University, Qatar
- **Rani Rubdy (Language):** Independent Scholar

Sample conference themes include the following, but a wide range of proposals is invited:

Language

- Language, culture and globalization
- Global teaching policies and local norms
- Language commodification and ideologies
- Technologies and the language classroom

Literature

- Localizing global/world literatures
- Non-Western literature in a globalized world
- Literature from the diaspora
- The sociolinguistics of literature

Linguistics

- Social media and identity
- Language acquisition and migrant populations
- Language change and the media
- Global/local language adaptation

Translation

- Issues in local/global translation
- Translating culturally remote literature
- Translation and multimodal texts
- Machine translation and the web

Submission Details

Proposals are invited for papers (20 +10 minutes discussion).

To submit your abstract, please send an email (with a Word attachment) to the following address: squconference2016@gmail.com by the relevant submission deadline. Please include ALL the following information, numbered:

1. Name, title and affiliation (university/college/etc.)
2. Full address (include country), email and telephone (include country code)
3. Title of paper/presentation
4. Areas which the paper/presentation links (please be precise)
5. Brief outline of the paper/presentation for inclusion in the conference program (100 words max)
6. Full abstract for the review committee (500 words max)
7. Up to five relevant keywords