



FOREIGN LANGUAGES FORUM



ATHENS

30 MARCH 2025

ROYAL OLYMPIC HOTEL

EXHIBITION HOURS: 10:00-17:00

PROGRAMME

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The Foreign Languages Forum – Athens 2025 is set to bring together language educators, experts, and industry leaders for a day of insightful discussions, professional development, and networking opportunities. As one of the most anticipated ELT events of the year, the Athens Forum will feature cutting-edge plenary sessions, hands-on workshops, and a comprehensive book exhibition, offering valuable resources and strategies for modern language teaching.

From AI-driven education and exam success strategies to inclusive teaching methodologies and professional growth, this year's event will explore the evolving landscape of language learning.

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09:30 [Registration](#)
10:00 [Exhibition opens](#)

MORNING SESSIONS

PLENARY SESSION

📍 ROOM OLYMPIA B

🕒 TIME	👤 SPEAKER	📄 TITLE
10:20	11:00	Dr Ilias A. Vasileiou - Plenary Session
		Written Language Production in the Form of a Game: The Example of the Educational Playbox

This presentation explores the innovative approach of integrating game elements into written language production through the Educational Playbox. The Playbox serves as an engaging educational tool designed to enhance students' creative writing skills and motivation. By combining educational principles with playful interaction, it transforms the process of writing into a game-like experience.

Through specific examples, we will highlight how the Educational Playbox supports learners in developing narrative structures, expanding vocabulary, and fostering collaboration. The presentation will also address the pedagogical benefits of this method, emphasizing its capacity to create a positive learning environment that encourages active participation and enjoyment in written language activities.

COURSEBOOKS

📍 ROOM OLYMPIA B

🕒 TIME	👤 SPEAKER	COMPANY	📄 TITLE
11:05	11:30	ANNE LEVENTERIS	BURLINGTON BOOKS
			Come on Everybody.... Join In
11:35	12:00	MARIA MPAKA	MM PUBLICATIONS
			Join the Cool Team! – New Junior Series
12:05	12:30	ANNE LEVENTERIS	BURLINGTON BOOKS
			Why just teach when you can Inspire?
12:35	13:25	CATHERINE MANTADAKI	EXPRESS PUBLISHING
			4 Minds B2, C1/C2: Life Skills, Creativity, and Communication for the Real World
			Express Digiplus: AI-Powered Learning for a Smarter, Adaptive Classroom
			STEAM, Cartoons and Timeless Values—Educating Hearts and Minds with HappyToons!

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📍 ROOM ATTICA

🕒 TIME	👤 SPEAKER	COMPANY	📄 TITLE
11:15 11:40	ANASTASIA METALLINO	TESOL GREECE	Making a Difference in the Inclusive EFL Classroom
12:00 12:40	KATHERINE REILLY		My Brain is Not Braining! Brain-Based Grammar for Real-World Understanding
12:50 13:30	ANTIGONE GIKA & CHRISTINA PRENTZA	ELLINOGER-MANIKI AGOGI	Grammar Games in G Minor

MACMILLAN DAYS

📍 ROOM TEMPLARS

🕒 TIME	👤 SPEAKER	COMPANY	📄 TITLE
11:00 11:40	NEIL HARRIS	Developing student (and teacher) responsibility in the age of generative AI	
11:45 12:10	NATASSA MANITSA	Big Hearts, Bright Minds: Nurturing Global Citizens Through SEL (Social & Emotional Learning)	
12:15 12:40	MARIA DIAVATI	Metaskills and a Content-based Syllabus shape the future of Education	

WORKSHOP

📍 ROOM TEMPLARS

🕒 TIME	👤 SPEAKER	📄 TITLE
12:45 13:25	ELENI DOUGEKOU	How to put up a play!
Embarking on a new production can be overwhelming, raising concerns such as: How am I going to build the set? Will there be sufficient time for rehearsals? What about costumes? Join me and find out easy steps to lay the groundwork for a super successful production with your young learners.		

13:30 14:00 COFFEE BREAK - OLYMPIA FOYER

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AFTERNOON SESSIONS

PLENARY SESSIONS

📍 ROOM OLYMPIA B

🕒 TIME	👤 SPEAKER	📄 TITLE
14:00 – 14:40	Dr Jenny Liontou Plenary Session	Breaking Down Walls: Supporting EFL Students with Diverse Learning Needs

Teaching foreign languages to Students with Diverse Learning Needs (SwDLNs) presents unique challenges for learners and educators alike. Bearing in mind these challenges, the current presentation aims to elaborate on the needs of SwDLNs (visual, hearing, physical/mobility impairments, learning differences) by interpreting findings from 15 interviews carried out with SwDLNs in Greece. The findings of this study that forms part of an ERASMUS+ funded project (SPLENDID) bring into the limelight specific aspects of cognitive and linguistic support that SwDLNs need to receive from their teachers in order to develop their language skills. Practical guidance will be offered to EFL teachers and material developers, focusing on evidence-based teaching practices beneficial to SwDLNs.

By leveraging inclusive teaching practices, assistive technologies, and differentiated materials, educators could further promote an inclusive classroom environment where every student has an equal chance to thrive.

14:45 – 15:25	Stephen-John Taylor Plenary Session	Boosting Scores in Language Exams: The Role Played by Vocabulary
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When it comes to grading language exams, just how far does vocabulary contribute towards the final score? And does topic-specific vocabulary —e.g. “file,” “download,” or “application” in a technology-themed question—give candidates an extra edge?

This session explores these very issues. We'll look at how examiners balance lexical choice with other factors such as coherence, grammar, and overall clarity. Drawing on real-world examples and research, we'll unpack whether using the “right” words for a given topic significantly impacts grades, or if it's just one piece of a bigger puzzle.

We'll also discuss practical tips for teachers to help students build a strong, topic-specific vocabulary base while keeping their writing natural and engaging. By the end of this session, educators and examiners will have a clearer picture of how to evaluate writing fairly and, using the latest technology, better support learners preparing for success in their exams.

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TEACHING & LEARNING

📍 ROOM ATTICA

🕒 TIME	👤 SPEAKER	COMPANY	📄 TITLE
15:30	15:55	DR PANAGIOTA BOURTSOUKLI	QLS
16:00	16:40	PANORAIA BALALI	Ensuring Quality Teaching in FLS
16:45	17:25	DIMITRIS PRIMALIS	InnerScape Tales: Play - Reflect - Discover the Stories Within
			AI In Action! Engage learners with practical activities

EXAMS

📍 ROOM OLYMPIA B

🕒 TIME	👤 SPEAKER	COMPANY	📄 TITLE
15:30	15:55	DIMITRIS ZIOGAS	BUTTERFLY PUBLISHING
16:00	16:50	STEPHEN JOHN TAYLOR	EDWIBO
			Fly to ... Exam: Cultivating skills, not just scores
			Stop Marking as if you were in 1995!

WORKSHOP

📍 ROOM TEMPLARS

🕒 TIME	👤 SPEAKER	📄 TITLE
15:15	15:55	ZAFI MANDALI
		Which are the stories hiding in these paintings?

Working on the story of a painting brings so much more than language learning. It acts as a glue which blends language, art, history, geography and psychology learning. Interpreting a visual text activates cross-curricular, multimodal approaches and helps students access their creative side. Learners hone their research skills, use ambitious vocabulary and literacy skills to describe the story of a painting. After kicking off with a mini tutorial on the language, elements and genres of paintings, this session will heavily rely on audience participation to showcase how paintings can enrich class experiences and engage students from early to advanced language levels.

MACMILLAN DAYS

📍 ROOM TEMPLARS

🕒 TIME	👤 SPEAKER	COMPANY	📄 TITLE
16:00	16:40	NEIL HARRIS	Using Artificial Intelligence to address learner errors.
16:45	17:00	PEGGY KARAGIANNI	Sustainabliss: International Days and Sustainable Goals aligned
17:05	17:35	FAINI KOKKINO	ΔΕΠ-Υ (Διαταραχή Ελλειμματικής Προσοχής / Υπερκινητικότητα) and the English classroom

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