

Language rules? Languages, standards and linguistic inequality: multilingualism and variation in education, law and citizenship

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As part of the AHRC-funded project *Multilingualism – Empowering Individuals, Transforming Societies* (www.meits.org), *Language Rules* brings together practitioners – teachers, speech therapists, examiners, dictionary-makers, lobbyists, policy-makers, and others – with academics to examine how assumptions about correct, acceptable or standard languages impact on everyday life in a multilingual world, and how to tackle potential inequalities.

Provisional Programme

Monday, April 15th, 2019

12.15-1.00	Registration , tea/coffee and buffet lunch
1.00-1.30	Welcome (Prof. Nicola McLelland & Dr Annette Zhao, University of Nottingham)
1.30-2.30	(In)visible Languages and Equality, Diversity and Inclusion (Prof. Bettina Migge, Professor of Linguistics and Head of School in the UCD School of Languages, Cultures and Linguistics, University College Dublin)
2.30-3.30	Round-table: Languages, (in)visibility and inequality in schools, colleges and universities (Prof. Bettina Migge (University College Dublin), Dr Linda Fisher (Education, Cambridge), Dr Angela Gayton (Education, Cambridge), Jo Darley (Languages and International Dimension Education Manager at LEAD Academy Trust))
3.30-4.00	Tea and coffee break
4.00-5.00	Verbal violence, sociolinguistic inequalities, glottophobic discriminations – is sociolinguistics in court such a good idea? (Dr Marc Debono, University of Tours, France)
5.00-6.00	LEVERHULME PUBLIC LECTURE Language Standards and Linguistic Inequality in Europe (Prof. Doug Kibbee, Leverhulme Trust Visiting Professor at the University of Nottingham, and Professor Emeritus, Centre for Global Studies, University of Illinois)
6.00-7.00	Reception and introducing <i>We are Multilingual</i> MEITS project (led by Dr. Linda Fisher)
7.30	Dinner

Tuesday, April 16th, 2019

9.00-10.00	Round table: Learning from history – how understanding the multilingual past can inform the present (panel led by Dr Andreas Krogull (MEITS, Cambridge), with Dr Liv Walsh (French, Nottingham), Dr Anna Havinga (Bristol), Prof. Jeroen Darquennes (University of Namur, Belgium))
10.00-11.00	Round table: Speech therapy and language standards and variation (panel led by Dr. Jenny Gibson, Lecturer in Psychology and Education, Cambridge)
11.00-11.30	Tea and coffee break
11.30-12.30	Round table: Multilingualism, language standards, standard languages, and the law (panel led by Javier Moreno-Rivero (Cambridge), with Gearóidín McEvoy (School of Law and Government, Dublin City University), Manuela Guggeis (Lawyer-Linguist at the EU), and Colin Robertson (Council of the European Union))
12.30-1.15	The German Micro-census, the Language Question and European Language policies (Dr Astrid Adler, Institute for German Language, Mannheim)
1.15-1.45	Lunch
1.45-2.45	Round table: Translating Research into Policy - Translating Policy Needs into Research (with representatives from the European Federation of National Institutes for Languages [EFNIL]: Johan Van Hoorde, Nederlandse Taalunie, EFNIL President; Prof. Dr. Ludwig Eichinger, former Director of the Institute for the German Language (IDS) in Mannheim; Dr. Júlia Vrábľová, L. Štúr Institute for Linguistics, Slovakia)
2.45-3.45	Language standards, plurilingual repertoires and the Common European Framework of Reference for Languages (CEFR) (Brian North, Equals)
3.45-4.15	Tea and coffee break
4.15-5.15	Round table: Language teaching and testing, standards and variation, in major and minoritized languages (panel with Ryan Joyce (International Baccalaureate Organization), Brian North (Equals), Nick Saville (Association of Language Testers in Europe))
7.00	Conference Dinner , Orchard Hotel

Wednesday, April 17th, 2019

9.00-9.45	Criteria setting in language curricula
9.45-10.45	Round table: Language teaching and testing, standards and variation: the case of community languages in supplementary languages education (panel with Pascale Vassie, National Resource Centre for Supplementary Education (NRCSE), and others)
10.45-11.15	Tea and coffee break
11.15-12.15	Round table: Language variation in language learning classrooms (panel led by Sascha Stollhans, German, University of Lancaster, with Weiqun Wang (Assistant Professor in Chinese, University of Nottingham), and others)
12.15-12.45	Lunch
12.45-1.45	Dictionaries, dictionary-making, standard, variation and the real world (panel led by Dr Tomislav Stojanov (Institute for Croatian Language and linguistics), with Dr Maree Airlie, Deputy Head of Language Content, Harper Collins, and others)
1.45-2.30	Closing discussion
2.30	Departure