

# *Speaking in a foreign language: From controlled production to spontaneous communication*

Konin, May 8<sup>th</sup>-10<sup>th</sup>, 2017

## CALL FOR PAPERS

### THEME

The conference will be devoted to various aspects of developing speaking skills in the foreign language classroom, with a particular focus on the steps that can be taken to ensure that learners are able to use target language forms (i.e., grammatical, lexical, phonological, pragmatic) not only in various text-manipulation and text-creation activities but also automatize them to such an extent that they can be employed in a variety of communication-based tasks (Ellis, 1997). It will be organized by Faculty of Philology, State University of Applied Sciences, Konin, Poland, and the Department of English Studies, Faculty of Pedagogy and Fine Arts, Adam Mickiewicz University, Kalisz, Poland. The languages of the conference will be English and Polish, with all the plenary talks given in the former.

### PLENARY SPEAKERS

The following scholars have agreed to participate in the conference and deliver plenary talks:

- **Kees de Bot** (University of Pannonia)
- **Hanna Komorowska** (University of Social Sciences and Humanities, Warsaw)
- **Jan Majer** (University of Łódź)
- **Jenefer Philp** (University of Lancaster)
- **Elaine Tarone** (University of Minnesota)

### ABSTRACT SUBMISSION

We welcome contributions related to the theme of the conference in the form of papers (20 minutes + 10 minutes for discussion), workshops (60 minutes) and posters which could, among other things, focus on the following areas:

- encouraging spontaneous interaction in the classroom;
- psycholinguistic and sociolinguistic aspects of speech production;
- aspects of interaction in the foreign language classroom;
- the role of grammar and lexis in developing speaking skills;
- the place of phonetics and phonology in developing speaking skills;
- pronunciation instruction in a second or foreign language;
- the pragmatic dimension of developing speaking skills;
- techniques, methods and resources used in developing speaking skills;
- communication tasks and the development of speaking skills;
- using computer technology in learning and teaching speaking in a foreign language;
- the role of communication strategies in speaking in a foreign language;

- learning strategies and the development of speaking skills;
- the role of oral corrective feedback;
- assessing speaking skills in a foreign language;
- methodology of research on learning and teaching speaking in a foreign language.

Abstracts of papers, workshops or posters in the range of 200-300 words should be submitted by e-mail to [speakingconference2017@gmail.com](mailto:speakingconference2017@gmail.com) by **March 15<sup>th</sup>, 2017**. The proposals should include the title, name, affiliation, e-mail address and a short biographical note, about 60-80 words in length. Notifications of acceptance will be sent by **April 10<sup>th</sup>, 2017**.

### **PUBLICATION OF PAPERS**

After the conference selected papers will be published in a peer-reviewed volume or the journals *Studies in Second Language Learning and Teaching* or *Konin Language Studies*. Further information concerning the publication will be sent after the conference.

### **VENUE**

The venue for the event will be the Conference Center of State University of Applied Sciences in Konin, Poland at Popiełuszki 4 St. where all the plenary and parallel sessions will be held, and meals and refreshments will be served.

### **REGISTRATION AND CONFERENCE FEE**

All the participants are requested to return the registration form and pay the conference fee by **April 20<sup>th</sup>, 2017**. The fee, which covers organization costs, conference materials, lunches and refreshments is **450 PLN** for Polish participants and **160 euro** for participants from other countries. We will be able to refund 50% of the fee in the case of cancellations made before **May 1<sup>st</sup>, 2017** and after that date no refunds will be possible. The fee should be transferred to the following bank account (**bank transfer charges are the responsibility of the payer**):

Państwowa Wyższa Szkoła Zawodowa w Koninie  
ul. Przyjaźni 1  
62-510 Konin

Bank Zachodni WBK SA

BIC (SWIFT) CODE: **WBKPPLPP**

IBAN number: **PL 65 1500 1461 1214 6004 7669 0000**

The title of the payment: Focus on the learner 2016 + BIC (SWIFT) CODE: **WBKPPLPP**

IBAN number: **PL 65 1500 1461 1214 6004 7669 0000**

The title of the payment: **Speaking 2017 + name of the participant**

The registration form is attached at the end of this circular.

### **ACCOMMODATION**

The participants are requested to book their own accommodation:

### **OPTION 1**

The Konin Hotel which has consented to offer a discount on its regular room rates:

### **HOTEL "KONIN"**

Al. 1 Maja 13

62-510 Konin, Poland

tel. + 48 63 243 76 00

fax + 48 63 243 76 07

e-mail: [recepcja@hotelkonin.pl](mailto:recepcja@hotelkonin.pl)

<http://www.hotelkonin.pl/>

Rooms are available from May 7<sup>th</sup> to May 11<sup>th</sup>. Rates per night (different standards): **single room 135-175 PLN (ca. 35-40 euro), double room 165-195 PLN (ca. 45-50 euro), triple room 240 PLN (ca. 60 euro)**. Breakfast is included in these prices. The name of the conference should be mentioned at the time of the booking.

### **OPTION 2**

The university can offer a **limited** number of single and double newly refurbished guest rooms, located near the conference venue, the standard of which is comparable to those at the hotel. Depending on room type, rates per night are approximately 20-30 euro, inclusive of breakfast. Credit card payment is possible. Reservations should be made directly with the organizers and they are subject to availability.

For further information participants are requested to contact the Conference Secretary:

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tel. (63) 2497240 or + 48 606 344 839 (operational from May 4<sup>th</sup> to May 11<sup>th</sup>)

e-mail: [speakingconference2017@gmail.com](mailto:speakingconference2017@gmail.com)

Information about the Conference and important updates can also be found on the conference website <https://sites.google.com/site/speakingkonin2017/>.

### **CONFERENCE ORGANIZERS**

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REGISTRATION FORM

Name: .....

Academic title: .....

Affiliation: .....

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Mailing address: .....  
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Tel./fax: .....

e-mail: .....

Do you wish to present a paper? YES NO

The title of the paper: .....  
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Equipment required: .....

Special requirements (vegetarian meal, etc.): .....

Do you wish to receive an invoice? YES NO

The invoice should be issued to:

Name and surname of the conference participant **OR** name of the institution:.....  
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Address:.....  
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VAT code (if applicable): .....

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