

October 2017

ISMLA Annual Conference 2018

Dear Colleague,

I am writing to invite you and/or representatives from your school to ISMLA's annual national conference, which is to be held this year at **The Perse Upper School** in Cambridge on **Saturday 3 February 2018** with registration beginning at 0900 for a 1000 start. We are extremely grateful to The Perse Upper for placing their excellent facilities at our disposal. This is a great opportunity to see the wonderful city of Cambridge, and perhaps combine the conference with a visit to the Fitzwilliam Museum and the beautiful colleges of the university.

The 2018 conference builds on the success of the 2017 Conference at Haberdashers' Aske's Boys' with a range of talks and an excellent opportunity to engage with your fellow passionate modern linguists. Here is a taste of what's on offer...

Jocelyn Wyburd, Director of The Language Centre at University of Cambridge and former Chair of The University Council for Modern Languages, returns to reassess the language learning landscape two years on from her excellent talk at The Manchester Grammar School. There is also the usual wide range of practical talks such as **Gloria Visintini** sharing information on the Bristol University MOOC for Modern Languages. **Silke Mentchen** will discuss the University of Cambridge Admissions process and **Pierre Pillet** will give a talk on keeping your SLT onside. We are also pleased to confirm the continuation of the Open Forum which will provide delegates with the chance to discuss curriculum models for Modern Languages. In the afternoon there will be further talks which include insights into The Language Magician project by **Roma Schultz** and into MEITS (Multilingualism: empowering individuals, transforming societies) from **Wendy Ayres-Bennett**. Our final session will be from **Jess Lund** talking about the approach to languages at The Michaela Community School in Wembley Park, London.

The Conference will be held in the fantastic new Performing Arts Centre at the school with the excellent Publishers' Exhibition being held in the vast foyer area. The cost per head (to include lunch and refreshments throughout the day) is just **£110 to members** and **£140 to non-members** (to include full ISMLA membership for the remainder of the academic year – normally £50). If your school sends more than one delegate, there will be a **£20 reduction** for each of the extra delegates. If you do not know your current membership status, please contact the Membership Secretary Julia Whyte at j.whyte2@btinternet.com. We hope that even if you cannot make it yourself, you will send someone from your department to represent your school.

If you wish to attend the Conference, please return the enclosed form, by post to **Joanna Dunne, 1 Hunters Row, Gilling East, York, YO62 4JL** or by email to kevindunne23@me.com as soon as possible. Payment can be made by cheque or by BACS, details overleaf. Further copies of this form may be obtained from the website www.ismla.co.uk.

I do hope that you and/or a member of your department will be able to support the meeting, and I look forward to meeting you on Saturday 3 February 2018 at The Perse Upper School.

Yours sincerely,
John Wilson

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Annual Conference
The Perse Upper School, Cambridge
Saturday 3 February 2018

0900 Registration, Publishers' Exhibition and Coffee

1000 Chair's Address and AGM – *Sara Davidson*

1030 **The Landscape for Languages – *Jocelyn Wyburd***

1115 Coffee, served in the Exhibition area.

1145 Choice of sessions (A-D):

- A. Cambridge Admissions – *Silke Mentchen*
- B. Keeping your SLT onside – *Pierre Pillet*
- C. Writing a Russian textbook: 'what, how, why?' - *Stephen Rich*
- D. Open Forum: How languages fit into our curricula

1230 Choice of sessions (W-Z):

- W. The Languages Magician project – *Roma Schultz*
- X. Making the most of being a part of the MFL Twitterati - *Joe Dale*
- Y. Blogging for languages - *Dave Hargrave*
- Z. Open Forum: How languages fit into our curricula

1315 Lunch, followed by Coffee in the Exhibition area.

1445 Choice of sessions (1-4):

- 1. The MEITS Programme – *Wendy Ayres-Bennett*
- 2. The Cultural Studies and Modern Languages MOOC – *Gloria Visintini*
- 3. Characters and rapping: thoughts on successful learning in Mandarin - *Jane Woo*
- 4. Les femmes auteurs dans le canon, de Germaine de Staël à nos jours - *Catriona Seth*

1530 **Languages the Michaela way – *Jess Lund***

1615 Departure

ISMLA Annual Conference 2018: registration form

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as soon as possible. It would be a great help if registration forms and payment remittances, ideally in the same letter or email, could arrive by 15 December, but we will do our best to process late applications.

*** PLEASE NOTE THIS ADDRESS; DO NOT SEND TO JOHN WILSON OR TO OTHER ADDRESSES GIVEN IN PREVIOUS YEARS***

Name of delegate(s):

School:

Address for correspondence:

E-mail (in order for you to receive confirmation of your place and joining instructions):

Telephone number:

Special food requirements:

Cheque enclosed, payable to ISMLA, **or** BACS remittance attached to email, to the value of £ _____

BACS payments should be directed to HSBC, 85 Lewisham High Street, Lewisham, London, SE13 6BE [sort code: 40-04-15; account number: 51372572; Swift code: MIDLGB 22; IBAN: GB71MIDL40041551372572; Branch ID Code: MIDLGB2141F]

NB: If paying by BACS, please scan in payment notification and advise Joanna Dunne by email (kevindunne23@me.com)

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At this stage, the programme is subject to change. However, please circle your preferences for each session below, expressing the choice for each delegate from your school covered by this form:

1145:	A	B	C	D
1230:	W	X	Y	Z
1445	1	2	3	4