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Final SCALED Conference

Inclusion and accessibility in language education 2

It is our great pleasure to invite you to “Inclusion and accessibility in language education 2”. The conference is a hybrid educational event organised by the Centre of Foreign Language Teacher Training and European Education at the University of Warsaw in cooperation with Oslo Metropolitan University as part of the [SCALED - Supporting Content and Language Learning Across Diversity project](#) and will take place in [Vienna House Mokotów](#), ul. Postępu 4, Warsaw, Poland and online.

We welcome teachers and scholars involved in foreign language teaching and education through language with particular interest in:

- Inclusive and accessible education for diverse students,
- Universal Design for Learning (UDL) and accommodations,
- Special Educational Needs

in language education in the context of foreign language teaching and education through language (EFL, CLIL, EMI). The conference will be held in English.

About the conference

The central goal of the conference is to share good practices in inclusive and accessible language education and to showcase the final product of the SCALED

project - the *SCALED course - Increasing accessibility: universal design and accommodations in language education*.

The participants of the conference will attend a series of lectures by invited plenary speakers tackling the issues of foreign language inclusive instruction and assessment and presentations authored by the SCALED course designers providing training based on selected modules of the SCALED course.

About the SCALED project

[The SCALED project](#) - Supporting Content and Language Learning Across Diversity - financed through the EEA Grants is a joint cooperative effort of the University of Warsaw (project coordinator) and Oslo Metropolitan University (partner institution), led by the Centre of Foreign Language Teacher Training and European Education and supported by the Centre of Digital Competences (UW) and Office for Persons with Disabilities (UW).

The project aims to promote equity and anti-discrimination, inclusive activities in language education and education through language, consisting in increasing accessibility (including digital accessibility) and universal design for learning. Inclusion and accessibility concern all learners, but the project focuses in particular on students with special educational needs, resulting, for example, from a disability, chronic disease or specific learning difficulties.

About the SCALED course

The course provides teachers with practical tools designed to eliminate barriers in course and material design, and effectively include all learners in the language education process. The participants of the course experience directly inclusive methodology and task design as well as learn about accessibility features that secure the participation of all learners, in particular learners with special educational needs.

The course is designed to be included in the initial training and professional development of pre-service and in-service foreign language teachers and academic teachers. The course has a modular structure which makes it easily adaptable to

course curricula, and can be used both onsite (with teacher support) and online (in a self-study mode).

Important information for onsite conference participants:

Venue: [Vienna House Mokotów](#), ul. Postępu 4, Warsaw, Poland

Dates: from June 15 (starting time: 12:30 p.m.) to June, 16 (ending time: 4:00 p.m.), 2023

Conference fee: free of charge

Accommodation: free accommodation in double-bed rooms (including main meals and coffee breaks) at the conference venue*

Conference programme: [Programme link](#)

Registration for onsite participants:

Registration form: [Registration link](#)

Deadline for registration: 30 April 2023

Notification of acceptance: 10 May 2023

* the number of participants is limited - free accommodation is admitted to confirmed participants only on the "first come first served basis"

Important information for online conference participants:

Registration for online participants:

Registration form: [Registration link](#)

Deadline for registration: 30 April 2023

Notification of acceptance: 10 May 2023

The Conference Organisers are happy to inform that additional support can be provided on request for participants with special needs to ensure accessibility, within SCALED budgetary constraints. Please check appropriate options in the registration form.

Organising committee:

Conference chairs:

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We look forward to seeing you at the Final SCALED Conference!

Sincerely,

Organising Committee

The SCALED project benefits from a EUR 117,960 grant from Iceland, Liechtenstein and Norway through the EEA Grants. The aim of the SCALED project is to create an online course preparing teachers for inclusive teaching, universal design for learning, and increasing accessibility in language education, especially with regard to students with Special Educational Needs.