



Languages in Europe Today

INTERNATIONAL SYMPOSIUM ON EDUCATIONAL POLICIES AND FUTURE PERSPECTIVES

Monday 16th April 2018 (Sala Villani)
Tuesday 17th April 2018 (Sala degli Angeli)
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Languages have always been a pivotal element upon which the European Union has invested over the years with new projects, policies and initiatives in the field of language education. The promotion of plurilingualism across Europe is one of the recurrent objectives pursued by the European Commission. The advent of Brexit, the rise of break-away independence movements and the often precarious balance generated by recent migratory flows all call for a need to continually re-evaluate language policies and practices in order to best foster integration and inclusion through forward-looking social and academic programmes.

This two-day symposium aims to offer an overarching yet detailed view of the ever-changing European linguacultural scenario and the consequent European language policies with their repercussions upon research and experimental initiatives in the field of language education. It is only through an in-depth investigation of such topical issues that we can *LET* languages shape our European identities.

Invited speakers

- Luca Tomasi, DG Education, Youth, Sport and Culture, European Commission, Brussels.
- Angela Creese and Adrian Blackledge, University of Birmingham
- Ernesto Macaro, University of Oxford
- Barbara Seidlhofer, University of Vienna
- Henry Widdowson, University of London

Programme

Monday 16th April (Sala Villani)
From 10.00 to 1.00 pm – Seminar

Diverse lingue orribili favelle. Istituzioni europee e Babele delle lingue

Luca Tomasi

Tuesday 17th (Sala degli Angeli)

9.30 - Institutional greetings

Lucio d'Alessandro - Emma Giammattei

Welcome address

Bruna Di Sabato - Antonio Perri

Opening remarks

Luca Tomasi

10.15 Session one

Language and superdiversity

Angela Creese, Adrian Blackledge

Student question time

11.15 Session two

Incapable competences: the communicative use of English as a lingua franca

Barbara Seidlhofer

Student question time

Break

13.00 Session three

Language learner strategies in content and language educational contexts: a whole new field of research and development

Ernesto Macaro

Student question time

Closing remarks

Henry Widdowson

Guided tour of the Monastic Citadel organized by the Department of Conservation of Cultural Heritage

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