

Voicing linguistic diversity in the classroom and beyond

Symposium

22/10/2015, 16.30-19.30

ROOM EB107, University of Cyprus (Kallipoleos)

This symposium brings to the foreground issues of diversity in language and beyond. Focusing on classroom studies and education policies it aims to discuss:

- i) the issue of language variation in the classroom across different contexts, looking both at its manifestation in classroom interaction and at ways of capitalising it in classroom pedagogies.
- ii) Diversity across languages, cultures and communities, exploring issues of policy and practice in multilingual classrooms

Programme

16.30-16.40: Welcoming

16.40 – 18.10: Invited talks

Chair: Stavroula Kontovourki, Lecturer, University of Cyprus

16.40 - 17.10: "Resisting the standard: new perspectives on children's use of regional dialect at school", Julia Snell, Associate Professor, University of Leeds

17.10 - 17.40: "Critical literacy and its links to language variation", Stavroula Tsiplakou, Associate Professor, Open University Cyprus

17.40 - 18.10: "Literacy as mission impossible: Mainstream education students supporting Roma children in their school literacy activities", Professor Eleni Skourtou, University of the Aegean

18.10 - 18.30: Break

18.30 - 19.30: Round table discussion

Chair: Marilena Karyolemou, Associate Professor, University of Cyprus

18.30 – 18.50: Short contributions: "Voicing diversity in different contexts" (20'):

Constadina Charalambous (EUC), Elena Ioannidou (UoC), Marianna Kondyli (UoP)

18.50 - 19.30: Open Discussion

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