



**SECOND SCHOOL OF LANGUAGES CONFERENCE (SOLCON II)
24TH - 26TH OCTOBER, 2017
UNIVERSITY OF GHANA**

Theme: Proverbs across Cultures: Perspectives from Language, Linguistics and Literature

1. CONFERENCE DESCRIPTION

The School of Languages and the Language Centre of the College of Humanities, University of Ghana, invite proposals for individual papers, panels and poster sessions for the Second School of Languages Conference (SOLCON II), to be held from 24th - 26th of October, 2017 at the University of Ghana, Legon Campus, Accra. The conference which is on the theme "**Proverbs across Cultures: Perspectives from Language, Linguistics and Literature**" seeks to bring together researchers, scholars, students, public speakers, and traditional spokes persons to discuss the theme in terms of theory, practice and performance in an intellectually stimulating interdisciplinary setting.

As part of the conference, a colloquium on the theme "**Sanitizing public discourse in contemporary societies: The role of proverbs**" will be organized.

Proposals addressing one or more of the following subthemes are invited.

- Proverbs and folklore
- Proverbs in modern communication
- Proverbs and translation
- Proverbs in political discourse
- Proverbs across cultures
- Indirections in language
- Proverbs in music
- Sociolinguistics of proverbs
- Proverbs in theatre and the performing arts (performance)
- Proverbs in commerce
- Proverbs in media
- Proverbs in health communication
- Proverbs in language and literature
- Proverbs in sign language
- Gender representation in proverbs

Panels/presenters are however not restricted to the above subthemes and are welcome to present on other related topics in language, literature and cultural studies.

The following formats are available:

- 20 minutes presentation followed by 10 minutes discussion
- 120 minutes panel with four presenters
- Poster presentation

2. ABSTRACT/PROPOSAL GUIDELINES

Abstracts/proposals should be sent electronically via **EasyAbs** at:

<http://linguistlist.org/easyabs/SOLCON2017>

The language of the conference is English, however, panels in other languages are also welcome.

Proposal of panels should consist of:

- Title of the panel
- Convenor
- Proposed panellists
- Discussant (if necessary)
- Language (if different from English)
- Description of panel should not be more than 500 words

Abstract of individual papers:

- Anonymous single-spaced, font 12 pt. abstract of not more than 300 words addressing the theme or sub-themes of the conference should be submitted via **EasyAbs** at: <http://linguistlist.org/easyabs/SOLCON2017>
- The abstract should highlight the problem being investigated, methodology, significance of the study, as well as its findings.
- Title: Font 12, Bold, Centred

3. IMPORTANT DATES

- Abstract submission deadline: 31st March, 2017
- Notification of acceptance: 21st April, 2017
- Deadline for registration: 15th August, 2017
- Conference date: 24th - 26th October, 2017

4. REGISTRATION FEES

- **International participants:**
 - Registration before 30th June 2017 USD100
 - After 30th June 2017 USD130
- **Local participants (Non-UG staff):**
 - Registration before 30th June 2017 GHS120
 - after 30th June 2017 GHS150

- **University of Ghana (UG) staff:**
 - Registration before 30th June 2017 GHS50
 - after 30th June 2017 GHS70
- **Students and non-tertiary teachers:**
 - Registration before 30th June 2017: GHS30
 - After 30th June 2017: GHS50
- The registration fees include the cost of conference materials (folder, book of abstracts, etc.), coffee breaks and lunch.
- Mode of payment: Via Slydepay, with a visa card. A link will be provided later on the conference webpage for this purpose
- International participants are encouraged to register early in order to start visa application process on time.
- Selected papers from the conference will be published in a peer-reviewed volume.

5. CONTACT INFORMATION

If you have any questions, please contact the Chairperson of the Organising Committee: Ildiko Csajbok-Twerefou at solcon@ug.edu.gh. Please find more information at <http://www.ug.edu.gh/solcon/>