



University of Silesia

Institute of English
Institute of English Cultures and Literatures

Through others we become ourselves (L. S. Vygotsky):

The limits of my language are the limits of my world (L. Wittgenstein)

First Circular

Dear Colleague,

The Institute of English and Institute of English Cultures and Literatures at the University of Silesia and the Polish Association for the Study of English are pleased to invite you to the **25th annual Conference of The Polish Association for the Study of English.**

The theme of the conference is

Multiculturalism, Multilingualism and the Self

The submissions are welcome in the area of literature, culture studies, linguistics, applied linguistics, translation and teacher training.

The following topics are only our suggestions for presentations at the conference:

The multidisciplinary of multiculturalism and multilingualism research

The contexts of multilingualism

Bilingualism versus multilingualism: the same or worlds apart

Multilingual language contact and cross-linguistic influences

Multilingual language acquisition and learning in a variety of contexts

The teaching of multiple languages: facilitation and challenge

The multicompetence of a language learner/user

Multilingual translation

The role of English in the multilingual world

Multiculturalism or/and interculturalism: Dreams and possibilities of cultural reunification

Rethinking multiculturalism: the successes and challenges of cultural pluralism

Literary representations of cultural/political conflicts and scenarios of their resolution

Narratives of conflict, narratives of reconciliation

Identity (personal, regional, communal, ethnic, national) in literary representations and cultural products

Wor(l)ds, voices, selves in-between culture.

We are pleased to announce that the following eminent scholars working in the field of English studies have kindly agreed to present **plenary talks** at our conference:

Prof. Anthony David Barker *University of Aveiro, Aveiro*

Prof. Jean Marc Dewaele *University of London, Birkbeck College, London,*

Prof. Frank Ferguson *University of Ulster, Coleraine*

Prof. Hanna Komorowska *University of Social Sciences and
Humanities/University of Warsaw, Warsaw*

Prof. Rafał Molencki *University of Silesia, Katowice*

Prof. Claus Schatz-Jakobsen *University of Southern Denmark, Odense*

The conference will be held in the holiday resort of **Szczyrk** in the Beskidy Mountains. The dates of the conference are **31st March to 2nd April 2016** (arrival on Wednesday the 30th March is recommended).

The conference venue will be the **Hotel META** (<http://www.meta-hotel.pl/>). Most participants can be accommodated there or in the **Hotel OLIMPIA** (<http://www.olimpia.szczyrk.pl/>) just across the street.

Please contact the hotels (Ewa Bialogorska (48)600 485 931 or Monika Noskowiak (48)795 531 652 or by email: ewa.bialogorska@meta-hotel.pl) to make provisional booking by 15th November 2015 (payment will be due by 28th February 2016, following acceptance of paper proposals), indicating that you are participants of PASE conference.

If you wish not to use accommodation, please let us know by indicating this in your registration form. The details concerning the conference fee and the hotels will be announced in the Second Circular in January 2016.

All those wishing to contribute papers or just to attend presentations are welcome to enroll in the conference. Presentation abstracts should be submitted by the **15th of January 2016** to the following **e-mail address:**
2016pase@gmail.com

Notification of acceptance will be sent out by the **31st of January 2016**.

The registration form, including the presentation abstract, should be sent as **an attachment to the above e-mail address**, with the heading: **culture.name.doc** or **language.name.doc** (depending on your presentation area).

For conference-related matters please contact the Conference Organisers at the following address:

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