

Although English for Specific Purposes (ESP) and English for Academic Purposes (EAP) have long been subjects that have complemented higher education studies, more recently they have become important subjects in their own right in secondary and tertiary institutions across the world. This is mainly due to the ever-growing importance of English as the global language of travel, tourism, trade and technology, amongst others, but also due to its central role in higher education teaching and research, especially in institutions where English is increasingly being used as a medium of instruction (EMI).

The approaches to teaching and testing ESP and EAP have undergone many transformations over the years, clearly influenced by the changing trends in modern English Language Teaching, and this has led to ESP and EAP becoming to a certain extent umbrella terms for a multitude of approaches and methodologies. Moreover, the sheer variety of disciplines that ESP and EAP aim to cover, from civil engineering to fashion design, through accounting and medicine, amongst many others, has created a multitude of sub-sections of ESP and EAP. This symposium aims to bring together teachers and researchers of English for Specific Purposes and English for Academic Purposes from diverse contexts in order to investigate and share various approaches that are currently being used in ESP and EAP and all participants will have an opportunity to discuss and develop approaches to ESP/EAP in light of the input from the speakers during the discussion sessions.



SYMPOSIUM ON ASSESSING ENGLISH FOR SPECIFIC AND ACADEMIC PURPOSES

Friday 16 December 2016

Room C 3.06

14.00 – 18.00

**Faculty of Economics and Management
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Free University of Bozen - Bolzano
Universitätsplatz 1 piazza Università
39100 Bozen-Bolzano**

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14.00 Opening of the Symposium

14.20 – 14.40

Marina Randich (Associazione Italo Americana): ***Business English Hackquisition: Demystifying the ESP full immersion workshop***

14.40 – 15.00

Suzanna Miles Straub (uniVE): ***The changing nature of tourism discourse and practical applications for the classroom***

15.00 – 15.20

Valeria Fiasco (uniRoma3): ***The discourse of Brexit: a corpus-based study for developing ESP teaching materials***

15.20 – 15.40

Elisabetta Morelli (uniTN) & Sara Sighel (uniTN): ***Blending IT design and language instruction: a positive ESP experience at the University of Trento***

15.40 – 16.10 Coffee break

16.10 – 16.30

Jessica Dheskali (University of Chemnitz): ***Metalanguage in Chinese master theses: Focus on Engagement and Attitude Markers***

16.30 - 16.50

Karoline Steckley (Associazione Italo Americana): ***I thought I knew how to teach English... WRONG! ESP-English for refugees' life skills: A case study***

16.50 – 17.10

Vincenzo Dheskali (University of Chemnitz): ***A corpus-based comparison of Albanian and Italian student papers in L1 and L2: The case of hedges and boosters***

17.10 – 17.30

Todd Marshall (Mohawk Valley Community College): ***English for academic purposes teaching using the international phonetic alphabet***

17.30 - 18.00

Round table discussion Jemma Prior (uniBZ) - convener

INFORMATION FOR PARTICIPANTS

Participants are required to pre-register by sending an e-mail to:

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by Wednesday 14 December 2016

Registration on the day starts at 13.00

Participation is free of charge for all members of the Faculty of Economics and Management, the Language Centre, and all TESOL Italy members. For those who are not TESOL Italy members for the current year, a free **provisional** membership card will be issued.

All participants will receive a certificate* of attendance, which will be distributed as from 17.00.

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