



# IATEFL POLAND ESP SIG

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# THE UNIVERSITY OF LIFE SCIENCES IN LUBLIN

have the pleasure of inviting you to the

2<sup>nd</sup> IATEFL ESP SIG Conference – 15<sup>th</sup>/16<sup>th</sup> January 2015

Venue: Lublin, Głęboka 28, CIW Building A, Room 102, 1st Floor

## **Conference Programme**

#### Thursday, 15th January 2015

Live Web-Broadcasting Thu 16:00 -19:00 (CET)

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15.00 Start of Registrations

**15.30 - 16.00 Opening Session** 

16.00 - 16.45 Opening Keynote Speech - Geoff Tranter

Title: The Challenge of ESP Teaching

English for Business Purposes, English for Academic Purposes, English for XYZ Purposes – Most teachers at higher and further education institutions can suddenly face the prospect of having to cope with the situation of teaching English (which they are trained for and have experience in) in a content area, in which they have no or little experience and have not been trained for. Based on an actual concrete example (An Intensive Course in English for Biogas Engineers) we will examine various aspects of planning and a number of classroom techniques in order to assess the extent to which there are differences and similarities compared to general language teaching. The aim: to demystify ESP and to boost teachers' self-confidence in their ability to teach such courses.

## 16.50 – 17.30 Workshop Session (1) – Małgorzata Warmińska-Marczak

Title: Teaching ESP: Learner Needs and How to Meet Them

English for Specific Purposes is growing in importance, particularly for young adult learners who have 'done' General English and who need a more purpose-oriented direction to their English learning. In this talk we look at the needs of the ESP learner and show how we can deliver material that is relevant, interesting and motivating. We will look at some ready-made ELT materials as well as the ways of using authentic texts in ESP.

# 17.30 - 17.45 Coffee / Tea Break

#### 17.45 – 18.25 Workshop Session (2) – Sylwia Filipczuk

Title: Introducing LOAC Vocabulary in a Military Classroom

The presentation will show specific exercises developed by the teacher to introduce and practise vocabulary connected with Law of Armed Conflict for professional soldiers. Exercises are based on authentic materials such as newspaper articles or legal documents, e.g. Geneva Convention integrating the skills of speaking, reading and writing.

#### 18.30 – 19.00 Special Presentation – Geoff Tranter

Title: And Now for Something Completely Different – ESP from a Different Perspective

19.15 - ..... Dinner

# Friday, 16th January 2015

Live Web-Broadcasting Fri 9:00 –15:15 (CET) <a href="http://meet97027820.adobeconnect.com/esp-sig-poland">http://meet97027820.adobeconnect.com/esp-sig-poland</a> 2015/

08.30 Registration Continues

09.00 – 09.40 Workshop Session (3) – Dr Agnieszka Dzięcioł-Pędich, Agnieszka Dudzik

Title: Challenges of developing language skills in English for Specific Purposes courses at tertiary level

The presentation will report on some of the challenges that confront Polish ESP teachers in tertiary contexts while helping undergraduates to develop foreign language skills and prepare for entering the labour market. The presentation will also offer some solutions which help bridge the gap between classroom activities and the professional practices of the corporate world.

## 09.45 - 10.25 Workshop Session (4) - Martin Beck

## Title: The learner: a resource to make ESP specific?!

The more specific language testing and teaching becomes, the less interesting it may be for publishers, as such materials do not have the same marketability as general language materials. But needs analyses conducted with participants of ESP Classes seem to indicate a demand for a high degree of specificity. The talk will explore various approaches.

#### 10.30 – 11.30 Open ESP Forum: Short (5-10 minute) Best Practice Presentations

# 11.30 - 11.45 Coffee / Tea Break

#### 11.45 - 12.25 Workshop Session (5) - Daniel Opydo

#### Title: YouTube and Student Autonomy in Teaching Specialist Vocabulary

The presentation will show an approach towards specialist vocabulary teaching that leaves 99% of the responsibility to the students. With the use of popular science films from youtube.com, the students themselves provide a set of activities that enable them to prepare a lesson and actually teach in front of their colleagues.

#### 12.30 – 13.10 Workshop Session (6) – Radek Krzyżanowski

#### **Title: Communicative Competence in Business Contexts**

There's been a lot of talk about English becoming the lingua franca. It's particularly relevant in the case of business people travelling to all possible destinations all over the world. A whole range of highly specialized English courses are available, still the majority of non-native speakers find it extremely uncomfortable to speak in informal situations, and we all know this is when people really talk business. 'Is there a remedy you might ask: Hopefully we'll be able to answer that question during my session. In the meantime, have a look at an idea I came across on the following blog: ttp://elm200.blogspot.com, posted by EIJI SAKAI A.K.A.:

For example, English should be customized to accommodate the needs of Japanese people when it is spoken in Japan. New vocabulary and expressions should be added to English depending on the English users' demand.

#### 13.10 - 13.40 Lunch Break

#### 13.40 - 14.20 Workshop Session (7) - Małgorzata Wujec, Joanna Kożuchowska

# Title: The Challenges of a General Technical English Course for Students at B2 level at Warsaw University of Technology

The General Technical English Course (LOT) is a 30-hour course designed for those students of the Warsaw University of Technology who have already passed the B2 exam but still need technical language background. In our presentation we are going to share our experience after four initial semesters of running the LOT courses. We will talk about challenges and give ready-to-use tips for teachers working at Technical Universities. We intend to suggest useful sources for each field covered by the curriculum of the Foreign Language Centre at WUT.

## 14.30 - 15.15 Closing Keynote Speech - Dr Liliana Szczuka-Dorna

Title: English for Specific Purposes: Academic Teachers' Challenges and Students' Perspectives

The aim of the talk is to explore the options and problems connected with teaching and learning ESP including questions concerning the right choice of methods enabling students to develop their language skills effectively with an emphasis on professional language competence.

## 15.15 – 16.00 Closing Session with wine and snacks

The conference is sponsored by the **University of Life Sciences in Lublin, MONDIALE-Testing, Pearson, Oxford University Press and Macmillan.** The conference fee is **30 PLN** for IATEFL Poland members and **60 PLN** for non-members. To register for the conference please fill out the online registration form **(go to the form)** and pay the conference fee by 10<sup>th</sup> January 2015. The conference fee should be paid to:

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The numer of seats is limited (180) and the registrations will be accepted on a first come, first served basis. All participants will receive a Certificate of Attendance. For more information, please contact the conference organizers: Joanna Rączkiewicz – email: <a href="mailto:lublin.espsig@iatefl.org.pl">lublin.espsig@iatefl.org.pl</a>, Sławomir Nowikowski – phone: +48 601 219 456

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