

New Directions in Telecollaborative Research and Practice
The Second Conference on Telecollaboration in University Education

Trinity College Dublin, Ireland
21-23 April 2016

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CALL FOR ABSTRACTS

The Second Conference on Telecollaboration in University Education will take place in Trinity College Dublin, Ireland, from **21 to 23 April 2016**, on the theme of ***New Directions in Telecollaborative Research and Practice***.

Proposals are now invited for research papers, practice reports, panels, and “Problem Shared” presentations (see below) covering all aspects of telecollaboration, such as pedagogy, curriculum, learner language and discourse, as well as organisational, institutional and policy perspectives, and research methods. Papers on new developments in research and practice will be particularly welcome.

Proposals concerning online exchange in areas outside these fields are likewise welcome: please circulate this call to relevant colleagues from other subject areas.

Themes include:

- Language learning outcomes of telecollaborative exchange
- Intercultural learning outcomes of telecollaborative exchange
- Pedagogy of telecollaboration
- Linguistic dimensions of telecollaboration
- Interactional dimensions of telecollaboration
- Assessment in telecollaboration
- Combining telecollaboration with physical mobility: Blended and Virtual Mobility
- Telecollaboration and institutional policy

- Integrating telecollaboration in Higher Education institutions
- The student experience of telecollaboration
- Models of Telecollaboration in university education (e.g., e-tandem, Cultura, Soliya)
- Web 2.0 and Open Educational Resources in telecollaboration
- Teacher training and teacher competences for telecollaboration
- Research methodology in telecollaboration

Formats:

Research paper / practice report

A twenty-minute presentation, followed by five minutes for questions, reporting original research or a report on telecollaborative practice.

Panel

A typically cohesive set of three to four papers introduced by a convenor (corresponding author), followed by twenty to thirty minutes for discussion.

“A Problem Shared is a Problem Halved”

In the “Problem Shared” strand, you can exploit the presence of a critical mass of experienced telecollaborators and researchers to discuss, and hopefully resolve, challenges in your work. Presenters will be asked to present *briefly* (maximum 10 minutes) a specific, well-defined, and *unresolved* challenge they have encountered in any aspect of telecollaborative research and practice: organisation, pedagogy, theoretical frameworks, research methodology, data analysis, and so on. The floor will then be opened for discussion, advice, and suggestions. Among other things, we hope that this will facilitate the formation of new collaborations.

Submissions

Proposals for any of these formats should take the form of an abstract of not more than 300 words. The submission form is at

<http://www.tcd.ie/slscs/news-events/telecollaboration2016/submissionForm.php>

KEYNOTE SPEAKERS

We are honoured to announce the following keynote speakers:

Professor **Celeste Kinginger**, Professor of Applied Linguistics and French, Penn State University

Professor **David Little**, Fellow emeritus, Trinity College Dublin

Professor Dr. **Andreas Müller-Hartmann**, Pädagogische Hochschule Heidelberg

See <http://www.tcd.ie/slscs/telecollaboration2016/> for more information on the work of these distinguished colleagues.

KEY DATES

- **Deadline for submission of abstracts: 1 December 2015**
- **Notification of acceptance: 19 December 2015**
- **Early-bird registration deadline: 15 February 2016**
- **Final registration deadline: 25 March 2016**

Academic committee

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UNICollaboration: <http://www.uni-collaboration.eu/>

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<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=J8evbCLVepg>

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=0Cm7CWasY2I>

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