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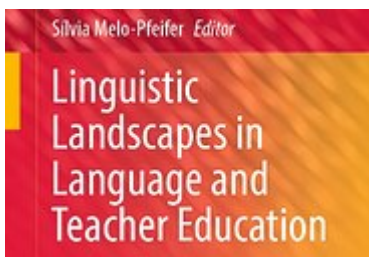
Welcome to the 9th edition of the Next Generation Literacies Newsletter! In this format, we will provide information about recent and upcoming events, network activities, as well as detailed features of network members and projects.

ABOUT THE NETWORK

NextGenLit – Connecting, Guidance, Support

Our network aims to foster emergent researchers, who are following an international academic career in the topic of language diversity. To support our network members, we focus on three key aspects: **connecting** (organizing network meetings, summer schools and symposia), **guidance** (offering an international mentoring program, workshops on soft and technical skills, joint PhD supervision) and **support** (financial support in travel costs, publishing and conference fee, support in applying for third party funds).

MAY WE INTRODUCE...



... a brand-new volume of studies on the uses of linguistic landscapes for teaching and learning.

Linguistic Landscapes in Language and Teacher Education was edited by NGL executive committee member, Prof. Silvia Melo-Pfeifer and contains a number of contributions by our network members. The book promotes multilingual education through the presentation of empirical studies developed in eleven different countries, from primary school to the university and beyond.

You can find further information, including the full table of contents, [here](#).

NETWORK ACTIVITIES

Connecting - More Networking for Emergent Researchers!

During our last network meeting in April 2023, we discussed the possibilities for more direct contact between early(ish) career researchers (students and postdocs) in the NGL network. As a general desire for more networking was expressed, we will hold an online meeting on **22 June at 9am CEST** to which all students and postdocs in the NGL network are cordially invited. We will then discuss the realisation of activities that promote peer-to-peer and international networking.

Connecting - International Symposium on Bilingualism (ISB14) in Sydney

The International Symposium on Bilingualism (ISB) takes place on **26-30 June** at Macquarie University, Sydney. NGL network members will be present and active in many ways! For those lucky enough to attend the ISB, you can look forward to the following:

- Keynote lecture by Prof. Ingrid Piller entitled “Bridging Communication Barriers” on 27 June at 9am.
- Language on the Move workshop, “Life in a New Language”, on 27 June at 10:30am.
- NGL workshop, “Multilingual and Multimodal Literacy Practices in Linguistic Diversity”, on 30 June at 4pm.

Please consult the ISB website for abstracts as well as any changes to the programme [here](#).

Other activities that take place during the conference, but outside of the programme, include:

- NGL network meeting on 28 June, 3:30-5:30pm in room CC 204. This meeting is also open to non-NGL members who may be interested in finding out more about our activities. Attendees can also look forward to a post-meeting reception.
 - A seminar by Prof. Ingrid Gogolin on *inter alia* language and literacy research in Hamburg/ Germany. This seminar will take place on 29 June, 4-6pm.
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Connecting - Next Generation Literacies Summer School 2023

We are happy to announce that our virtual summer school will take place **28 August – 1 September**. Now in its third year, this year’s programme aims to familiarise participants with current research on (multi)literacies development in multilingual contexts and across the educational biography. For detailed information regarding the programme, application and certification, please view the official website ([link](#)). Please also share the link within your own networks and universities. Participation is free of charge. Deadline for applications is **12 June!**



Save the Date: Final Network Event

Keep space in your diaries on **11-12 January 2024** as we will be hosting the final NGL event then. We look forward to a celebration of all that has been achieved within the scope of the network, as well as input from inspiring keynote speakers, together with network members and friends. The event takes place in Hamburg in the magnificent surroundings of the old state library.

Next Generation Literacies is now a ICWT Partner Organisation

Our network is now officially listed as a partner organisation of the International Center for Writing and Translation (ICWT) at the University of California, Irvine (<https://www.humanities.uci.edu/icwt-partners>). ICWT partner organisations share a commitment to engaging questions of multilingualism, linguistic plurality, and/or translation in local and/or international contexts.

Member Activities: Prof. Ingrid Piller in Passau, Germany

Prof. Ingrid Piller spent the month of May at the Passau International Centre for Advanced Interdisciplinary Studies (PICAIS) as a visiting professor at the Chair of English Language and Culture. The University of Passau published an [interview](#) with Prof. Piller in which she talks about her research on communication where there is no common language. Next Generation Literacies also features! Note: the interview is in German.

MARE Workshop in Hamburg

MARE – Multiliteracy as a Labour Market Resource – is a research programme at the University of Hamburg. Led by NGL members Dr. Irina Usanova and Dr. Birger Schnoor, and made up of emergent researchers, MARE hosted a transfer workshop on 24-25 May in which they discussed ways of implementing the project's research results in terms of multilingual writing in the school context. You can read more about MARE [here](#).

Guidance - International Mentoring Programme

As strengthening emergent researchers is one of our main network goals, NGL is preparing a second round of our successful mentoring programme. Are you interested in developing an intergenerational, supportive learning relationship with an experienced researcher? Are you dedicated to promoting young talent and passing on your academic knowledge and personal experience? Then you can apply to become a mentor or a mentee! All network members are invited to apply to take part in this programme as a mentor (i. e. postdoctoral researchers, junior and senior professors) and/or as a mentee (i.e. master, doctoral and postdoctoral researchers, junior faculty).

Essential prerequisites for the success of the programme and the mentoring relationship are, on the one hand, the selection of appropriate mentor-mentee pairs and, on the other hand, an intensive examination by the participants (mentees AND mentors) regarding the goals they wish to achieve together. If you would like to take part, please complete the appropriate form for [mentor](#) or [mentee](#), and return it to sarah.mcmonagle@uni-hamburg.de by 26 June 2023.

You can read more about the NGL mentoring programme [here](#).

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