



## Newsletter MARCH 2022

# Next Gen Literacies



*Welcome to the 3rd 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 respective 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).

Scroll down the newsletter to find more information on our key aspects!

### MAY WE INTRODUCE...



## ... an essay on the portrayal of language acquisition in Lina Rodriguez' "Mis dos voces"

Immigrants are often falsely accused of "not wanting" to learn their new country's language. However, language acquisition is an incredibly difficult task for adult immigrants, who are not able to take advantage of a structured curriculum, and have to learn in unfamiliar, sometimes hostile environments. Lina Rodriguez thematizes these issues in her Film "Mis dos voces".

Take a few minutes to read NextGenLit-member Prof. Ingrid Piller's reflections on language acquisition, the linguistic dimension of social inclusion, and the achievements of "Mis dos voces".

The essay is available in [English](#) and [German](#).

## NETWORK ACTIVITIES



### Connecting - Save the dates in 2022

**05 May 2022, 10 – 12 am CEST:** 4th Network meeting

**June/July (tba):** Workshop on mentoring

**11 July – 05 August 2022:** Hamburg International Summer School

**20 July 2022, 10 – 12 am CEST:** 5th Network meeting

**22 August 2022, 3.30 pm – 5.00 pm CEST:** ECER Yeveran, Emerging Researchers' Conference: Joint workshop "Multiliteracies and Language Assessment in Linguistically Diverse Contexts" by Dr. Irina Usanova, Dr. Agi Bodis, Dr. Wenjuan Qin

**September/October 2022 (tba):** Workshop

**30 November 2022, 8.30 – 10.30 am CEST:** 6th Network meeting

**30 November – 03 December 2022:** Online Workshop "Academic Publishing in Social Media" by Ingrid Piller and Li Jia & online NextGenLit Symposium



### Guidance - Apply now!! The Next Generation Literacies Network launches international mentoring program

Are you interested in developing an intergenerational, supportive learning relationship with an experienced researcher? Are you dedicated to promoting young talents and passing on your academic knowledge and personal experience? This is your chance - apply now for the Next Generation Literacies mentoring program! All network members are warmly invited to apply as a mentor (i.e., postdoctoral researchers, junior, and senior professors) and/or as a mentee (i.e., doctoral and postdoctoral researchers, and junior professors).

The mentoring program can be shaped according to the mentees and mentors needs - duration, frequency and structuring is agreed on in every tandem individually and depends on their specific

mentoring goals. Additionally, we offer workshops on mentoring (first workshop in the summer) and organizational support.

Would you like to apply for the mentoring program? Please find the mentee application form [here](#), information for mentors [here](#), and the program description [here](#).

Do you have any questions? Would you like to become a member in the Next Gen Lit Network? For further information on the program and the application process, do not hesitate to contact [Dr. Katharina Ackermann](#)



## Support - Network Funding

Our network provides budget for emergent researchers (PhDs, PostDocs, Junior Profs) to support research activities promptly.

*What is funded:* Funding includes conference fees, travel costs, technical support/special software, short-term working contract for study assistants, translation costs and publishing fees (e.g., open access).

*Who can apply:* Every emergent researcher who is a network member can apply for funds.

*How to apply:* To apply for funds, please fill in [this form](#) and send it to [Katharina.Ackermann@uni-hamburg.de](mailto:Katharina.Ackermann@uni-hamburg.de).

*Assessment of applications:* Within the executive committee we use a four-eyes principle to assess your application. Application will be considered keeping the following in mind: link to network topic and aim, amount requested, and need of funding. Due to a limited yearly budget, we recommend checking other funding possibilities (e.g., host university, DAAD) before submitting your application.



## Support - Agathe Lasch Visiting Scientist Program for Women in Academia

Universität Hamburgs Vice-President (Prof. Jetta Frost) and Equal Opportunity Officer (Dr. Angelika Paschke-Kratzin) announce the call for applications for the [Agathe Lasch Visiting Scientist Program for Women in Academia](#).

Universität Hamburg designed the Agathe Lasch Visiting Scientist Program for Women in Academia to help female academics in underrepresented fields become a strong and more visible presence. These visiting scholars will serve as role models in research and teaching. Visiting professorships are open to female professors or researchers with a Habilitation or equivalent (e.g., junior professors, associate professors) from all subject areas from Germany or abroad.

Further information on the application process can be found [here](#).

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact the Equal Opportunity Unit: [gleichstellung@uni-hamburg.de](mailto:gleichstellung@uni-hamburg.de)

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