

3rd International Conference of the University of Banja Luka (BiH) in cooperation with the University of Opole (Poland) and the University of Central Oklahoma (USA)

CELLS - CONFERENCE ON ENGLISH LANGUAGE AND LITERARY STUDIES

TRANSCENDING BORDERS AND BINARIES

New Insights into Language, Literature, and Culture

Banja Luka, June 9th and 10th, 2017

CALL FOR PAPERS

The Department of English, at the Faculty of Philology, University of Banja Luka (Bosnia and Herzegovina), in cooperation with the School of English and American Studies, University of Opole (Poland) and the College of Liberal Arts, University of Central Oklahoma (USA) are pleased to announce the third conference on English language and literary studies *CELLS: Transcending Borders and Binaries: New Insights into Language, Literature, and Culture*.

The aim of the conference is to provide an international forum for the exchange of ideas and experiences across the fields of English language and literary studies, with particular emphasis on cross-disciplinary and interdisciplinary issues raised in the fields of literature, culture, linguistics, translation studies and applied linguistics. Topics might include (but are not limited to):

- Transcending borders and boundaries in language and literature
- Linguistic, literary, and cultural identities lost and reclaimed in translation
- Representations of (transgressive) human bodies in literature and cultural studies
- Deconstructing binaries in linguistic, literary, and cultural studies
- Diasporic and migrant (non-)fictional narratives composed in another language
- Representations of gender in local, global, (trans)national, and cosmopolitan contexts
- Linguistic and literary representations of travelling subjects and (post-)memory in historical, social, and cultural contexts
- Considerations of (neo)nomadism, exile and changing of cultural habitat in language and literary studies
- Stereotypes, otherness, norms, and new approaches to literary studies and foreign language teaching
- Concepts and contexts of liminality, deterritorialisation and reterritorialisation

- Deterritorialisation and border writing / heterotopia / people in hyperspace
- Thirdspace: real and imagined places
- Transgressing oppositions in journalism and media studies between quality/tabloid, objective/advocacy, professional/amateur, coverage etc.;
- Pure vs. hybrid forms/genres in media and journalistic expression;
- Problematic representations of "us" and "them", or unity and diversity in public discourses;
- Retorical and linguistic strategies that perpetuate/mitigate binaries and symbolic borderlines

The official language of the conference is English.

CONFIRMED PLENARY SPEAKERS

- Dr Ryszard W. Wolny, Professor and Director of the School of English and American Studies at the University of Opole, Poland
- Dr Timothy Petete, Professor of Literature and Composition at the University of Central Oklahoma, USA
- Dr Biljana Čubrović, Professor of Phonetics, University of Belgrade, Serbia

SUBMISSION OF ABSTRACTS

Please send an abstract of up to 300 words (MS Word 2003-2007) to the following e-mail address: cells@unibl.rs

Abstracts should be anonymous containing only the name of the paper, the body of the abstract and references.

Please send the following information in the body of the e-mail:

- (1) Title of the paper
- (2) Name of the author(s)
- (3) Affiliation of the author (s)
- (4) Key words
- (5) E-mail address
- (6) Bio note (no more than 100 words)

IMPORTANT DATES

20th January, 2016 Deadline for Submission of Abstracts

15th February, 2017 Notification of Acceptance
30th March, 2017 Registration

CONFERENCE FEE

The conference fee is 70 Euros.

The fee includes:

- conference pack
- conference dinner
- conference break refreshments (snacks and beverages)
- publication of selected papers in the conference proceedings

ACCOMMODATION

Accommodation can be arranged by the organisers upon request.

CONFERENCE WEBSITE

All the details and important information can be found at the conference website.
www.cellsbl.com (active from: 10th November, 2016)

A selection of papers will be published after the conference.

CONTACT:

E-mail: cells@unibl.rs

We look forward to your proposals.

Organising Committee:

Dr Tatjana Bijelić, University of Banja Luka, BiH

Dr Petar Penda, University of Banja Luka, BiH

Dr Željka Babić, University of Banja Luka, BiH

Dr Ryszard W. Wolny, University of Opole, Poland

Dr Katarzyna Molek-Kozakowska, University of Opole, Poland

Dr Timothy Petete, University of Central Oklahoma, USA

