

UNESCO and Multilingualism

A Dialogue Forum

18 May 2022

For over 70 years, the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO) has been a leading voice on multilingualism. Today, it engages in numerous initiatives to advance linguistic diversity. In this forum, UNESCO staff members working on multilingual education, the World Atlas of Languages (WAL), and the International Decade of Indigenous Languages (IDIL) discuss ongoing initiatives and forthcoming developments. The session follows a show-and-tell and conversation format to facilitate dialogue. Representatives of NGOs, Secretariat and UN agency staff, and colleagues from Member States are welcome to attend. A business meeting of the NGO Committee on Language and Languages will take place during the final 40 minutes.

Panelists

Eliot Minchenberg - Welcome

Director of Office and UNESCO Representative to the United Nations in New York

Noro Andriamisezana Ingarao - Multilingual Education

Programme Specialist in Education, UNESCO

Irmgarda Kasinskaite-Buddeberg - International Decade of Indigenous Languages

Advisor, Communication and Information, UNESCO

Bhanu Neupane - World Atlas of Languages

Advisor, Open Access to Scientific Information and ICT & Sciences, UNESCO



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08:45-11:00 – New York
15:45-18:00 – Nairobi

14:45-17:00 – Geneva
19:45-22:00 – Bangkok



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Programme

8:45-9:00am Sign In

9:00-9:05am Francis M. Hult - Introduction

9:05-9:10am Eliot Minchenberg - Welcome

9:10-9:30am Noro Andriamisezana Ingarao - Multilingual Education

9:30-9:50am Irmgarda Kasinskaite-Buddeberg - International Decade of Indigenous Languages

9:50-10:10am Bhanu Neupane - World Atlas of Languages

10:10-10:20am General Discussion about the Multilingual Initiatives of UNESCO

10:20-11:00am CoLL Business Meeting
Humphrey Tonkin, presiding

****Meeting link will be sent to registered participants****