

EUTOPIA Online Student Conference:
Multilingualism & Society
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Multilingualism is a part of our world, shaping our interactions, beliefs, and societal structures. As our global connectivity continues to expand through technology, the presence of multilingualism in our daily lives becomes increasingly pronounced. When looking at regions that are considered melting-pots of cultural diversity, issues of identity may result in conflicts between particular groups. In times like this, it is important to pay close attention to our own perceptions of the ways in which multilingualism shapes these spaces and determines how we interact with others.

The [EUTOPIA Learning Community 'Multilingualism and Diversity'](#) provides students with the opportunity to discuss the case for multilingualism through an **online multilingual conference** that encourages them to engage with an audience and present the results of their research.

The conference's overarching topic is "Multilingualism & Society". Topics can be related to and include, *(this list is non-exhaustive)*:

- Multilingualism and Media: films, music, literature, poetry...
- Multilingualism and Identity: national identity, traditions, politics, migration, nationalism, language discrimination...
- Multilingualism & Education: language acquisition...
- Multilingualism & Culture: multilingual cities, representation, communication in multilingual contexts...
- Multilingualism & Technology: AI, translating apps, accessibility...

JOIN US:

- This third edition of the 'Multilingualism and Diversity' student conference aims to look at the various representations of multilingualism and the influence they exert on the way societies function as well as the role they play in an ever-evolving world.
- We are pleased to invite you to send in a proposal for a 20-min presentation and get the chance to discuss its results during the conference.

- You are given the platform to present your own research on the subject and connect with an audience that shares the same enthusiasm for languages and diversity.
- After the event, you will be awarded a certificate.
- You learn how to engage with an audience and work on your presentation and public speaking skills.
- Our team will support you prior to the conference, and on the day of the event.

HOW TO APPLY:

Send your research proposals in English (300-500 word abstract and a visual aid if you wish) via email: multilingualism.eutopia@gmail.com, and make sure to add a short introduction of yourself, as well.

Please apply by **15 April 2024, at 23:59 CEST**. We will let you know if your paper was selected in May.

As this is a **multilingual conference**, please note that you are free to use your preferred language but at least one component of your presentation (oral presentation or slides) should be in English (e.g. you can present in Spanish with slides in English or vice-versa).

BEFORE THE EVENT:

- Prepare your slides for your presentation (e.g.: a PPT, Canvas.).
- Your presentation will be assigned to one of the panels based on its content.

INCOMING INFO:

- More information on the panels and the time slots assigned to each presentation will be provided via email once the selection process has ended. For other questions regarding the student conference, please contact us at: multilingualism.eutopia@gmail.com.

We look forward to reading your submissions!