

THE 6TH INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON Multicultural Discourses



October 23-25, 2018, Tilburg, the Netherlands

Following the past and recent successes of the International Conference on Multicultural Discourses, with the latest held in Sao Paulo, Brazil, in 2016, we have now decided to hold the event once every two years instead of three.

This means that the 6th International Conference on Multicultural Discourses will be held from Oct 23-Oct 25, 2018 at the Department of Culture Studies – School of Humanities at Tilburg University, the Netherlands. The event will be co-organized by the Babylon – Centre for the Study of Superdiversity affiliated to the same institution – and the Centre for Contemporary Chinese Discourse Studies, Hangzhou Normal University, and hosted by the former.

Taking cultural discourse studies (CDS) as the central frame of reference, the aim of this international conference is to investigate the affordances, shortcomings, as well as unexplored potentials offered by the multicultural discourses as an intellectual movement when engaged with recent conceptual developments and areas of interest across the social sciences and the humanities.

The conference is therefore intended to provide the wide scholarly community with a forum that explores cultural forms of and approaches to the following issues.

Themes and domains of study

Presentation format

As well as parallel sessions and (possible) thematic panels around one of the above-mentioned themes, the program includes two pre-conference workshops, four keynote speeches stemming from the fields of sociolinguistics, anthropology, educational studies, and discourse studies.

-  Western and Non-Western uptakes on superdiversity
-  Discourses of international relations and (anti-)globalization
-  Discourses of security, securitization and polarization
-  Discourses of development and democratization
-  Discourses of conviviality and conflict
-  Discourses of the arts transforming and reshaping metropolitan and rural public spheres
-  Discourses of the environment
-  Discourses of (online) literacy practices and their implications for (formal, informal and non-formal) learning
-  Discourses of language ideology, migration and education
-  Discourse of political belonging and skepticism

Abstract submission

The deadline for submission of an abstract (ca 350 words) is

October 20, 2017.

Letters of acceptance will be sent out by November 24, 2017.

Submissions and enquiries can be addressed to:

multiculturaldiscourses2018@gmail.com

Publications

Papers of high-quality and cultural innovation will be peer-reviewed and selected for publication in the *Journal of Multicultural Discourses*. In addition, a selection of the conference papers will be published with an international publisher.

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Conference fee and registration

Travel and accommodation

Information about traveling to Tilburg and accommodation will be made available soon on the conference website.

The conference fee will include coffee/tea/drinks/lunches, to be paid via the *online registration form*. The online registration form will be made available through the conference website soon.

 Staff: € 230,- (early bird rate: € 150,-)

 PhD Students: € 130,- (early bird rate: € 80,-)

Early bird rate available from **19 February, 2018 - 18 June, 2018**

Conference organizers



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