



Symposium on Language, Culture and Technology in a Connected World

1 June 2015 • University of Southern Queensland, Toowoomba, Queensland

CALL FOR PAPERS

Hosted by the University of Southern Queensland and sponsored by the USQ Multicultural Network, this one-day symposium is a unique event which aims to provide a forum to discuss connections between culture, language and technology. This symposium will bring together researchers, policy makers, and practitioners to share insights into the challenges and opportunities that a networked society presents. This gathering will explore practical policies and approaches to identify better ways of linking different cultures in such a way that communication, harmony, acceptance and respect between different cultures is achieved and maintained.

In addition to its practical contributions, the event aims to help both professionals and academics to engage in networking and formal publication. The symposium program includes keynote and panel speakers, and paper sessions. The symposium is organised around four suggested, but not exhaustive, themes:

- **Technological Influences on Language and Culture**
- **Cultural Diversity and its Impact on Local Communities**
- **Bridging the Culture Gaps between Australia and China**
- **The Role of Emerging Technologies in Building Regional Communities**

The abstracts will be published in a formal book of abstracts. The contributors are also invited and encouraged to take advantage of the full paper publication by following the instructions provided.

Please note that for a manuscript to be considered for journal publication, the contributor must register for the **icCSBS 2015 virtual conference** at: futureacademy.org.uk and then submit the full paper according to the instructions provided on the website. The symposium participants and abstract contributors can also choose other avenues outside the symposium's recommended journal for publication of their full papers.

Important dates

Registration opens:
15 March 2015

Registration closes:
20 May 2015

Abstract submission closes:
30 April 2015

Notification of acceptance:
7 May 2015

**Submit
abstracts
now!**

Contact any of the following persons to submit abstracts or for queries

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Registration fee

The registration fee is \$50AUD, which covers morning and afternoon teas, lunch, an electronic book of abstracts from the conference proceedings and entry to all sessions. Students can take advantage of the concessional registration fee of \$30AUD.