

SLE 2025 Outreach Session

Communicating linguistics research

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On the initiative of 2022 president Arie Verhagen, the SLE conferences in Athens (2023) and Helsinki (2024) included an outreach session, in which a number of conference participants reported on some national and local initiatives aiming for dispersing linguistic knowledge more widely among the general public. One first result is the *SLE Linguistics in School Manifesto*, adopted in the 2024 general meeting of the SLE, and a number of future activities are being prepared.

Link to the Manifesto: [SLE Manifesto](#).

Video recording of the 2023 session, available at the SLE YouTube channel:

https://www.youtube.com/@Societas_Linguistica_Europaea/playlists

At SLE 2025 in Bordeaux, a session will be organized on science communication research related to linguistics and outreach. The goal is to present and discuss results from actual research that is relevant to communicating linguistics, and the ways in which linguistics is relevant to wider societal problems. This may range from empirical research or practical experience on factors determining the success (or lack thereof) of a specific linguistics communication project, to consequences or implications of general science communication research for the specific field of linguistics.

Linguists and science communication researchers are hereby invited to submit an abstract for a presentation in this special session. Abstracts are to be submitted through EasyChair, and will be reviewed by members of the SLE Executive Committee.

Calendar:

- deadline for abstracts: 1 March 2025

- notification of acceptance/rejection: 31 March 2025.

Instructions

Abstracts should clearly state the approach and (expected) results. They should not contain the names of the presenters, nor their affiliations or addresses, or any other information that could reveal their authorship. They should not exceed 500 words (including examples, excluding references). Abstracts should have the same title as the entry submitted via EasyChair.

Presentations will last 20 minutes, allowing 5 min. for discussion and 5 min. for speaker and room changes.

Abstracts are submitted via EasyChair within the SLE Members' Area:

<https://societaslinguistica.eu/members/login/>

Please keep in mind that SLE is a members' association run by and for members. Hence, the person submitting an abstract has to be an SLE member.

Please notice that SLE 2025 is an on-site conference and the outreach session will also take place on-site.