

English in Multilingualism



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1. Share the theme, brief definition, and starter questions with your group (5 minutes)
2. View the Guiding Principle Presentations (45 minutes)
3. Facilitate round table discussions (60 minutes)
4. View the Session Summary and Q&A (65 minutes)
5. Send feedback to TESOL International Association (per your feedback)

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1. English in Multilingualism

English has an image as the ruling language that may eradicate linguistic diversity. Yet the TESOL profession, in its mission to teach English, must embrace the opportunity to simultaneously support multilingualism.

- How can the multilingualism of students of English and TESOL professionals (particularly nonnative-English-speaking teachers) be recognized as an asset in advocacy, innovation, policy, and practice?
- How can linguistic diversity be leveraged while teaching English, and what best practices allow teachers to incorporate the languages of their students into their daily professional practices?
- How can TESOL inquiry and reflection strengthen multilingual policies?

2. View the Guiding Principle Presentations

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3. Facilitate round table discussions

Here are the English in Multilingualism questions that we asked of the Summit Delegates in Athens:

- What are your initial thoughts and reactions to these presentations?
- Policy makers may argue that teaching in both the native languages and English is too costly. How can we reduce costs for teacher training and instructional materials to cultivate multilingualism?

- How can classroom activities influence attitudes to all the languages in a multilingual society?
- What can TESOL professionals (e.g. policy makers, textbook writers, language testers, etc.) do to encourage multilingualism?
- What are some practical ways for English teachers to support multilingual attitudes and abilities, if “English only” policies may be in place?

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Reimagine English Competence



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6. Reimagine English Competence

English competence has been traditionally defined in reference to a native or ideal speaker norm and in terms of the grammar of the language. This definition has been challenged.

- How can we overcome the native speaker as the standard and address the changing realities of English language use around the world, both with regard to students’ needs for English and to teachers’ needs for proficiency in English?
- What new research-based models and goals for English competence can be developed to guide policy and practice?
- How can the multiple Englishes that arise in different contexts be incorporated in frameworks, standards, large-scale tests, and rubrics?

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8. Facilitate round table discussions

Here are the Reimagining English Competence questions that we asked of the Summit Delegates in Athens:

- What are your initial thoughts and reactions to these presentations?
- What are the biggest impediments standing in the way of instituting equity in teacher hiring?

- What are some concrete ideas you have for debunking the myth that Native English speakers are better teachers?
- One principle of good education design is ‘alignment’. How are teacher education programs aligned with the needs of English language learners in your context?
- How do the complex and varied language learning needs of students impact policy and practice in your context?

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Profession as a Change Agent



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11. Profession as a Change Agent

Each member of the TESOL profession must be empowered to foster positive change within a risk-tolerant culture.

- How can all stakeholders become more nimble and risk-tolerant?
- How can practice shape and inform policy and research?
- How can TESOL professionals be empowered to instigate and sustain innovation?

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13. Facilitate round table discussions

Here are the Profession as a Change Agent questions that we asked of the Summit Delegates in Athens:

- What are your initial thoughts and reactions to these presentations?
- How can teachers’ associations and TESOL Professionals be part of policymaking discussions, initiatives, and decisions?
- What research would help amplify teacher voices so that policy makers hear teacher stories not just as anecdotes, but as evidence?
- How is TESOL teacher professionalism defined in your working context?
- What is a plan for connecting researchers to the real questions policy makers and teachers want answered?

- How can teachers and stakeholders work together to provide accurate classroom data that can be used to guide TESOL policies?

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16. Futurology

The field of Future Studies offers a broad, holistic perspective that is essential for understanding the English language profession both today and in the future.

- What are the mega-trends (political, economic, social, intercultural, legal, and digital) and how do they impact English and English language education?
- What should policy makers keep in mind given these mega-trends?
- What should organizations, institutions, and TESOL professionals keep in mind given these mega-trends?

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18. Facilitate round table discussions

Here are the Futurology questions that we asked of the Summit Delegates in Athens:

- What are your initial thoughts and reactions to these presentations?
- What are the economic and political trends affecting the TESOL profession in your context?
- With the tension between globalization and nationalism, what do we need to do to stay true to our core values of equity, professionalism and a broadened view of what counts as professional knowledge?
- What are the opportunities and challenges related to social media in the development and growth of the TESOL Professional?

- Looking forward, who will be the best people to carry out research and how will they implement their research design?

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