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Imagine new ways of English language teaching at 2010 TESOL Convention

Alexandria, VA (March 2010)—With English becoming the language of global communication, where can one go to learn the latest developments in the field of English language teaching?—to the Boston Convention & Exhibition Center, Boston, Massachusetts, USA, March 24–27, when Teachers of English to Speakers of Other Languages, Inc. (TESOL), hosts its 44th Annual Convention and Exhibit.

Under the banner "Re-Imagining TESOL," the 2010 TESOL convention showcases more than 1000 education sessions presented by speakers from more than 25 countries. Considered the foremost conference of its kind worldwide, the TESOL convention features education sessions and experts on a broad variety of topics, including language testing and assessment, technology in language learning, bilingual education, and standards. In addition, the convention features one of the largest exhibitions of its kind in the world, with over 100 exhibitors offering some of the finest products and services for English language educators and their classrooms.

Key highlights of the 44th Annual Convention & Exhibit include

- Opening Plenary speaker Howard Gardner, Hobbs Professor of Cognition and Education at the Harvard Graduate School of Education. A leading thinker about education and human development, Gardner discusses his latest book, *Five Minds for the Future*.
- Assistant Secretary for Civil Rights Russlynn Ali of the U.S. Department of Education, discusses the civil rights of English language learners in the United States.
- The U.S. Peace Corps receives the 2010 TESOL Presidents' Award.
- Special presentations co-sponsored by TESOL and other academic associations, including
 - Communication, Language, and Reasoning in Mathematics for English Language Learners, co-sponsored by the National Council of Teachers of Mathematics and TESOL

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- The Promises and Challenges of Response to Intervention (RTI) for English Language Learners, co-sponsored by the Council for Exceptional Children and TESOL
- Re-imagining Advocacy for Bilingual Education, co-sponsored by the National Association for Bilingual Education and TESOL
- The Electronic Village, a special venue to explore technological resources for language teaching and learning in the classroom and online. Highlights include the latest in multimedia learning, access to Internet-based resources for language instruction, and presentations on handheld hardware devices.

More details on the 44th Annual TESOL Convention & Exhibit, including an Advance Program, are available online at <http://www.tesolconvention.org>.

Members of the media can register for the convention either in advance or on site. To register in advance, visit the online press room at <http://www.tesolconvention.org>, where more press releases and information about presenters and sessions are available. To register on site, please visit the Press Desk in the Registration Area of the Boston Convention & Exhibition Center.

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Incorporated in 1966, Teachers of English to Speakers of Other Languages, Inc. (TESOL), is a global association for English language teaching professionals headquartered in Alexandria, Virginia, USA. TESOL encompasses a network of over 55,000 educators worldwide, consisting of more than 12,000 individual members and an additional 45,000 educators within the 100 plus TESOL affiliate associations. Representing a multifaceted academic discipline and profession, TESOL offers members serial publications, books, and electronic resources on current issues, ideas, and opportunities in the field of English language teaching. TESOL also conducts a variety of workshops and symposia, including an annual convention, regarded as the foremost professional development opportunity for English language educators worldwide. TESOL's mission is to develop and maintain professional expertise in English language teaching for speakers of other languages worldwide.