

# Call for Papers

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The *International Working Group on Non-Dominant Varieties of Pluricentric Languages* (WGNDV) is pleased to announce its 11<sup>th</sup> conference on Pluricentric Languages and their Non-Dominant Varieties, with the title *Pluricentric Languages and Power: At the Crossroads of Legacies*, to be held in Lisbon, Portugal, and online (hybrid mode) from 22 to 24 May 2025. The event is organised by the Center for Research and Studies in Sociology at the Iscte - University Institute of Lisbon (CIES-Iscte), the Research Center for General and Applied Linguistics at the University of Coimbra (CELGA-ILTEC), and the Programme in Portuguese as a Foreign Language/Second Language at the Faculty of Arts of the University of Lisbon.

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## 1. GENERAL OBJECTIVE OF THE CONFERENCE

The main objective of the 11th WGNDV conference is to extend our knowledge on pluricentric languages and theory. To that end, we welcome scholars, policy makers, and other civil society actors from all over the world to provide their insights into the linguistic situation, the specific characteristics of pluricentric languages and their varieties, and their relevance for pluricentric theory.

This international conference builds on the previous ten conferences and workshops held in Graz (2011), Salamanca (2012), Guildford (2014), Graz (2015), Mainz (2017), Nitra (2018), Graz (2019), Stockholm (2019), Graz (online 2021), and Leipzig (online 2023), all of which resulted in published volumes. Our conferences and workshops explore the field, define terminology, theory and concepts associated with the descriptions of pluricentricity, describe the current situation of non-

dominant standards as comprehensively as possible and discuss sociological, educational and cultural implications of managing language standard systems.

## 2. IMPORTANT DATES

Submission deadline for the abstracts	November <del>15</del> 30, 2024
Notification of acceptance after reviewing the abstracts	<del>December 15, 2024</del> 15 January, 2025
Early-bird registration deadline for presenters	February <del>15</del> 28, 2025
Late-bird registration deadline for presenters	March <del>15</del> 30, 2025
Registration deadline for attendance only (no presentation)	April <del>15</del> 30, 2025
Deadline for sending the recorded presentation (only online presentations)	April 30, 2025
Dates of the conference	May 22-24, 2025

## 3. CONFERENCE TOPICS

The conference's topics include, but are not limited to:

- Pluricentric languages: theory, concept, characteristics, description
- Pluricentricity, nationalism and translanguaging
- Pluricentric languages in the human-machine era
- Pluricentricity in language proficiency certification and assessment
- Non-dominant varieties of pluricentric languages – perspectives and views
- Pluricentric languages and linguistic dehegemonisation
- Decolonial approach to language diversity
- Pluricentricity of ex-colonial languages and autochthonous languages
- Official status of national varieties and language policies
- Corpus construction for pluricentric languages

- Language making and language (re)naming
- Pluricentric languages and language education
- History of pluricentric languages
- Intersectionality in pluricentric approaches to languages
- Pluricentricity in the intersection of arts, mediaspheres, activisms and public policy

#### 4. CONFERENCE LANGUAGES

English, Portuguese (slides in English)

#### 5. SUBMISSION OF ABSTRACTS

We welcome individual papers of one or more authors and panel proposals.

1. Please make sure your abstract contains theoretical framework, your research objectives, methodology and main findings insofar as already available.
2. Abstracts should be anonymous.
3. Applicants may be the first author of only one accepted paper in the conference and may also appear as co-author of an additional paper or chair of a panel.
4. Types of contribution:

##### **Individual paper of one or more authors**

- Presentation: 20 minutes + 5 minutes for discussion
- Abstract (in English): 400-600 words, excluding references
- 3 to 5 keywords

##### **Panel proposal**

- Panels should have a chair and up to four papers related to the same theme
- Presentation: 20 minutes per paper + 10 minutes for discussion per paper, totalling up to 2 hours/ 4 papers. The chair of the panel is free to establish how the session is structured, for instance, all presentations first and a longer discussion session at the end or a discussion session immediately after each paper.
- Abstract (in English): 600 – 1000 words, excluding references
- 3 to 5 keywords

5. Deadline for submitting the abstracts: **November 30, 2024.**
6. All submissions will be peer-reviewed by two members of the Scientific Committee by January 15, 2025.
7. Submission link: <https://pcl2025.eventqualia.net/en/cloud/pcl20250874/account/login/>

#### 6. MODE OF PARTICIPATION

Hybrid (face-to-face AND online)

Individual papers of one or several authors and panels can be presented in person or online.

For authors participating online, their pre-recorded presentations will be streamed, with only the question and answer session held live. This is to avoid delays caused by technical problems (microphone, camera, low WiFi transmission rate etc.).

More details will be announced soon.

## **7. PUBLICATION OF PAPERS**

We are planning to publish a selected number of papers in one or two peer-reviewed open access volume(s) thematically aligned with the themes of the conference at [PCL-Press](#). This will be discussed on the final day of the conference during the closing session.

## **9. ORGANISATION**

### **Chairs of the conference:**

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