International Symposium on Language Education in Higher Education 2026
"LSP in Times of Change"

(Preliminary programme)

Friday, 6 November 2026

Venue: Estonian Academy of Security Sciences, main campus Kase 61, Tallinn, Estonia

NOTE: All times are listed in Eastern European Time **(EET/UTC+2)**

09:00–09:30	Registration of participants and morning coffee (on-site only)	
	Opening session *Room A-108 (Prof. Eduard Raska Auditorium), Online*	
09:30–09:45	**Welcoming remarks** • Elen Laanemaa, Head of the Language Centre, Estonian Academy of Security Sciences • Riin Tamm, Vice-Rector for Research, Estonian Academy of Security Sciences	
	Plenary sessions *(45 min + 15 min Q&A)* *Room A-108 (Prof. Eduard Raska Auditorium), Online* **Moderator**: Kerli Linnat, EASS	
09:45–10:45	Plenary I: Cédric Sarré, Professor of Applied Linguistics at Sorbonne Université (INSPÉ) – LSP at a Crossroads in the AI Era: Redefining Complexity, Mapping Trends and Augmenting Corpus-Driven Pedagogy	
10:45–11:00	Stretch break	
11:00–12:00	Plenary II: Jaanika Jaanits, Anthropologist, Junior Research Fellow in Sustainable Mobility (University of Tartu) – Between Stories: An Anthropological Approa to Change and the Messy Middle	
12:00–13:00	Lunch	
	Parallel sessions I and II *(Presentations 15 min + 5 min Q&A)*	
13:00–14:00	**Session I: LSP through sociocultural perspectives, identity, and discourse** *Room A-108 (Prof. Eduard Raska Auditorium), Online* **Moderator:** Thomas Wishart (LAB University of Applied Sciences, Finland)	**Session II: LSP needs in professional context: security, leadership an workplace** *Room A-109* **Moderator:** Olga Sergejeva (EASS)
13:00–13:20	Dace Aleksandraviča – "English, imagined futures, and identity: European students' perceptions of English in higher education" (University of Latvia, Latvia)	Helena Metslang & Lea Kreinin – "Needs analysis for defining military surv LSP" (University of Tartu, Estonia)

13:20–13:40	Carmen Pérez-Llantada – “From ‘expert’ to ‘call to action’: shaping authorial selves in SciComm genres online” (University of Zaragoza, Spain) – **Online presentation**	Anna Hainoja & Katri Sirkel – “Learning to fail and learning to lead” (Estoni Military Academy, Estonia)
13:40–14:00	Sachin Wanniarachchi & Sayed Karim – “The myth of professional English: rethinking LSP from the Global South” (University of Ottawa, Canada) – **Online presentation**	Valentyna Afanasyeva – “Teaching English for a diverse group of adult production workers: combining terminology and soft skills” (Tallinn Pelgu State Secondary School, NGO Centre “Just Speak It”, Estonia)
14:00–14:15	Coffee break	
	Parallel sessions III and IV *(Presentations 15 min + 5 min Q&A)*	
14:15–15:15	**Session III: Terminology development and translation skills in professional contexts** *Room A-109, Online* **Moderator**: Marju Taukar (EASS)	**Session IV: LSP pedagogy and course design: materials, genres, and learner practices** *Room A-108 (Prof. Eduard Raska Auditorium), Online* **Moderator**: Tiina Meos (EASS)
14:15–14:35	Henrik Nilsson – “Practice and exercises – current challenges in terminology teaching” (CAG Consoden/EAFT & Linnaeus University, Sweden)	Aleksandra Janković, Marija Meršnik, & Jelena Anđelković – “Representati cultural elements in an undergraduate ESP coursebook” (University of Belgrade, Faculty of Organizational Sciences, Serbia) – **Online presentat**
14:35–14:55	Ere Saar – “Towards a systematic and collaborative approach to developing aviation terminology in Estonian” (Estonian Aviation Academy, Estonia)	Vesna Prodanovska-Poposka & Marija Todorova – “Languages for Specific Purposes in higher education: student perspectives on professional relev and learning practices” (University St. Kliment Ohridski-Bitola / Goce Del University of Štip, North Macedonia) – **Online presentation**
14:55–15:15	Jekaterina Maadla – “Translation awareness in AI-driven contexts: rethinking language teaching for professional purposes” (Tallinn University, Estonia)	Cláudia Alexandra Moreira da Silva – “Teaching textual genres to future mediators learning Portuguese – the CV, the letter and the interview” (Sapienza University of Rome, Italy)
	Concluding session *Room A-108 (Prof. Eduard Raska Auditorium), Online*	
15:20–15:50	Discussion “From constriction to innovation: coping with times of change” **Moderators**: Marju Taukar & Kerli Linnat (EASS)	
15:50–16:50	Networking reception	