

Responding to the CEFR Alignment Handbook

Sharing experience of alignment activities and reflecting on lessons learned

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CALL FOR PAPERS

The publication of *Aligning language education with the CEFR: a Handbook* in April 2022 has generated renewed interest in CEFR alignment practices. As a follow-up to the [colloquium](#) held at the University of Bedfordshire (Luton) in September 2023, plans have been made to organize a European conference where language education professionals can gather to reflect on the uses of the CEFR and its CV and share their alignment projects.

We are grateful to Blanquerna – Universitat Ramon Llull, Barcelona, for agreeing to host the conference, which will share good practice in aligning language education (curricula, materials, assessment) to the CEFR, showcase uses of the Handbook in different contexts, with different languages and for different purposes, and gather feedback to inform the revision of the Handbook.

The Conference is once again being organized by the Handbook steering group (Neus Figueras, David Little, Barry O’Sullivan, Nick Saville, Lynda Taylor) in close cooperation with with the Research Group in Education, Didactics and Learning (GREDA), led by Dr. Cristina Corcoll, in Blanquerna, Universitat Ramon Llull.

We invite proposals for papers (30-min presentations), works-in-progress (20-min presentations) & posters on

- 1. **Alignment case studies**, either completed or in progress
- 2. **Reactions to and reflections** on the Handbook
- 3. **Issues of theory and practice** arising from the use of the CEFR and its CV

Please submit your abstract online [here](#)

Deadline: 30th April 2024

The following guidelines will help you make your proposal as effective as possible and give you the best chance of it being accepted. Each proposal should:

1. relate to one of the three conference strands above
2. keep to the stipulated maximum word count (250 words max.)
3. clearly outline its objectives
4. be likely to promote discussion and interaction amongst conference participants

Each proposal should be anonymized and will be rated by independent vetters. To ensure anonymity, you are requested to avoid any information in your title and abstract that may lead to identifying you or your institution as the author or origin of the proposal.

If you have any questions, please send an email to BCNAlignConf@yahoo.com.