

## CONFERENCE PROGRAM

# 1st National Conference of Doctoral Students

**08:30 – 09:00 Registration**

**09:00 – 09:30 Opening Speeches - Moderator : Prof. Saida Hdii**

Prof. Mohammed Larouz - **The Dean**

Prof. Lamiae Azzouzi - **The Head of the Department of English Studies**

Prof. Hicham Laabidi - **The Conference Coordinator**

**09:30 – 10:30 Keynote Speech - Moderator : Prof. Saif Aqachmar**

**Education in an AI-Driven World: The Pertinence of Ethics in Research**

Prof. Aabbou Abdelkader - **Ibn Toufail University - Kenitra**

**10:30 – 11:00 Coffee Break**

**Panel 1 : Emerging Trends in EFL Teaching and Learning**

**Moderator : Prof. Mohammed El Messaoudi**

**11:00 – 11:15**

**Reimagining Language Education through Ecopedagogy:  
An Innovative Approach to Sustainability in Higher Education**  
Charafi Maryam & Bouzekri Ouafae - **Moulay Ismail University - Meknes**

**11:15 – 11:30**

**Willing on Paper? Reflective Elicitation and the Belief-Driven Logic  
of AI Adoption Among Moroccan EFL Teachers**  
Chkarka Farah & Nada Hour - **Moulay Ismail University - Meknes**

**11:30 – 11:45**

**Navigating Metacognitive AI Literacy: A Qualitative Inquiry into Pre-  
Service Teachers' Collaborative Lesson Planning in a Brief Intervention**  
EL Hosayny Otmane - **Chouaib Doukkali University- El Jadida**

**11:45 – 12:00**

**Evaluating the Effects of Artificial Intelligence Homework Assistance  
Tools on High School Students Academic Performance and Personal  
Development**  
Addichane Essafa - **Sidi Mohamed Ben Abdellah University- Fez**

**12:00 – 12:15**

**Exploring Constructivism in the Moroccan EFL Classroom: A Focus  
on Reading Comprehension**  
EL Kouar Brahim - **Moulay Ismail University - Meknes**

**12:15 – 12:30**

**Discussion**

**Panel 2 : Contemporary Challenges in Language Education and Innovation**

**Moderator: Prof. El Mostafa Biboussi**

**12:30 – 12:45**

**Teaching and Learning Soft Skills in Higher Education: Challenges and  
Implications with Special Reference to the Department of English  
Studies. FLSH Mohammed V as a Case Study.**  
Hadini Souhail & Aqachmar Saif - **Moulay Ismail University - Meknes**

**12:45 – 13:00**

**Scaffolding or Atrophy? The Learning- Performance Paradox of AI and  
Language Skills in Moroccan Higher Education**  
Serraj Hajar & Larouz Mohammed - **Moulay Ismail University - Meknes**

13:00– 13:15

**Teaching ESP in a Multicultural Context: Promises and Limitations**  
Oubkkou Hafsa -Chouaib Doukkali University- El Jadida

13:15– 13:30

**Co-constructing Confirmation Bias: A Qualitative Study of AI Sycophancy in ChatGPT Dialogues among MA Students.**  
El Mars Oumaima - Moulay Ismail University - Meknes

13:30– 13:45

**Human- AI Collaboration: Redefining Teachers' Roles in EFL Academic Writing Instruction**  
Aachari El Mahfoud- Cadi Ayyad University- Marrakech

13:45– 14:00

Discussion

14:15 – 15:30

Lunch

### **Panel 3 : Rethinking Learning in the Age of Generative AI** Moderator : Prof. Zayneb Saadallah

15 :30 – 15 :45

**Digital Literacy as a Gateway to Generative AI Integration: Evidence from First-Year Moroccan University Students**  
Lechgar Yassine & Fatmi Hicham - Moulay Ismail University - Meknes

15 :45 – 16 :00

**Oral Communication Strategies in Real Time Interaction: American AFL Students' Perceptions**  
Imane Masmoudi & Hicham Laabidi - Moulay Ismail University - Meknes

16 :00 – 16 :15

**The Effect of Foreign-Accented Speech on Decision-Making: A Behavioral Investigation among Moroccan Native Speakers of Darija**  
Saidi Khadija & Abderrahim Ait Abdeslam -Sultan Moulay Slimane University- Beni Mellal

16 :15 – 16 :30

**Language Problem or Writing Problem? Moroccan First- Year EFL Students' Perceptions of Their Writing Difficulties**  
Saber Ismail - Moulay Ismail University - Meknes

16 :30 – 16 :45

**Beyond Acceptance: Motivation and Engagement among Moroccan Postgraduate Students in AI Assisted Language Learning: Rosetta Stone at Moulay Ismail University as a Case Study**  
Lakhal Yassine - Moulay Ismail University - Meknes

16 :45 – 17 :00

Discussion

### **Panel 4 : Perspectives on Language Learning and Performance** Moderator : Prof. Said Oussou

17 :00 – 17 :15

**Moroccan EFL Teachers' Attitudes and Practices Regarding the Use of Songs to Foster Intercultural Competence**  
Abderrazzak Jaouad - Moulay Ismail University - Meknes

17 :15 – 17 :30

**Cultural Identity Change Among Moroccan EFL B.A. University Students: The Case of UMI and USMBA Students**  
Bououda Houda - Moulay Ismail University - Meknes

17 :30 – 17 :45

**Informal AI Tools Use and Undergraduate Language Students' Argumentative Writing Performance and Critical Thinking Skills: A Mixed- Methods Investigation**  
Laaribi Zakariae - Moulay Ismail University - Meknes

17 :45 -18 :00

**Emerging Research on Video Games as New Media: Identity, Interaction, and Digital Play**  
Yasmine Betati -Sidi Mohamed Ben Abdellah University- Fez

18 :15– 18 :30

**Artificial Intelligence and Bias: How AI Tools Introduce and Deepen Bias in Education**  
Ghita Brabri-Sidi Mohamed Ben Abdellah University- Fez

18 :30 – 18 :45

**Integrating the Chinese Language into Moroccan Higher Education: Issues, Challenges, and Perspectives**  
Abdelmounim El Haddadi -Hassan II University- Casablanca

18 :45 – 19:00

Discussion

Closing