

LANGUAGE POLICY AND CULTURAL CHANGE: EAAL 8

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Abstract submission deadline: March 23, 2009

The Estonian Association for Applied Linguistics (EAAL) 8<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference celebrates 20 years of the Estonian Language Act. The Language Act (Keeleseadus) of the Republic of Estonia was adopted in January 1989. The supreme idea of the Act is to help the government guarantee the survival of the Estonian nation, language and culture. At first the Act was mainly used as an instrument to secure the right to life for the Estonian language, whereas now the emphasis has moved to the native use of the language, its variants, the literary standard, etc.

**Invited lectures**

Albert Branchadell Gallo (Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona): The morality of language policy. (The treatment of) Russian in Estonia/Tallinn and Spanish in Catalonia/Barcelona.

Montserrat Cortès Colomé (Universitat de Barcelona): A psycholinguistic stance: cognitive, social and educative dimensions.

Llorenç Comajoan Colomé (Universitat de Vic): Sociolinguistics and second language acquisition in Catalonia: learning Catalan in a multilingual society.

Joan Pujolar Cos (Universitat de Barcelona): Language and identity in the globalized new economy: exploring sociolinguistic change.

Francesc Xavier Vila i Moreno (Universitat de Barcelona): The impact of language regulation on demolinguistic trends/situation.

### Sections

Linguistic environment, language policy and law.

Community, language and culture.

Language acquisition and language teaching.

Language research and development: language usage and practical language planning, linguistic standard and language in change.

Language technology, lexicography and various linguistic resources.

Besides the main topic, reports on other domains of applied linguistics will be presented. Participation is free for anyone interested. Presentation languages are Estonian and English.

### Important dates

February 27, 2009: workshop organizing proposals.

March 23, 2009: abstract submission deadline (with a note on poster presentation, if appropriate). The abstracts (max 1800 characters, incl. (basic) literature) should be mailed to: [ery at eki ee](mailto:ery@eki.ee)

April 6, 2009: acceptance notification.