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Ministry of Higher Education and Scientific Research  
University Abderrahman Mira- Bejaia



“First National Study Day on English for Specific  
Purposes in the Algerian Context: *exploring the  
current pedagogical and communicative practices*”

October 25<sup>th</sup>, 2017

**Organised by the Department of English  
Faculty of Arts and Languages**

**Event's Chairs:**

**Dr Senhadji Nassera & Mr Outemzabet Belkacem**

**Honorary chair of the study day:  
Professor SAIDANI Boualem, President  
of the University of Bejaia**

**Confirmed Speakers:**

**Professor & Senator Derradji Sallah  
Professor Amine Belmekki (Tlemcen University)  
Professor Bahous Abbes (Mostaganem University)  
Professor Labeled Nacif (Constantine University)**

**Argument:**

The teaching and learning of the English language is becoming more and more important for the Algerian socioeconomic companies and institutions. Many economic companies are increasingly demanding English language trainings in order to raise the level of English language proficiency of their employees. Human resources departments and training departments in socioeconomic institutions, the first services to be directly linked to this question, are complaining about the limitedness of language proficiency levels of the newly recruited employees, and of the negative impact this has on the achievement of the professional duties assigned to them. Parallel to this, the training institutions, public and private, are confronting various challenges and difficulties, among which the lack of official records about the real English language needs in the workplace and the lack of educational know-how that could enable them to respond to those specific needs.

Consequently, the departments of English in the faculties of languages and arts have an important role to play both in resolving the issues raised by the socioeconomic players related to in-service training of the employees and managers, and in the improvement of English language teacher training and professional development. For that purpose, university professors and researchers have to be encouraged to engage in workplace research in order to explore the challenges and difficulties, to analyse the needs, and to suggest appropriate solutions to communicative and pedagogical concerns.

*The main objective* of this study day (in its first edition) is to describe the current situation of English

language teaching to the employees and managers of the socioeconomic institutions and to examine English language use and needs in socio-professional settings. This includes the description of the nature and of the features of communication; the exploration of foreign language learning difficulties; the analysis of communicative and educational needs of EFL learners; the design and implementation of needs-based language courses, materials and tasks; the suggestion and experimentation of solutions to the raised issues... etc.

In this regard, an appeal is made to the lecturers-researchers and PhD students in the fields of linguistics, didactics, ESP, civilization and culture, and translation studies to share and discuss their latest research, results and ideas, and to exchange their educational experiences related to the teaching of English to the students of universities and vocational schools, to trainees and apprentices, and to the employees and managers in economic companies.

**Research tracks:**

- 1- The current situation of ELT/ESP in Algerian universities and vocational schools (private and public);
- 2- Training and professional development of ESP teachers;
- 3- ESP Course and materials design and evaluation;
- 4- Language practices and communicative needs in socio-professional settings;
- 5- The roles of culture and civilisation in teaching English for academic and/or professional purposes;
- 6- The practice of translation in socio-professional settings.

### Scientific Committee

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### Importantes notes

- \* *Location:* auditorium of Aboudaou- University of Bejaia
- \* *Languages of the study day:* English and French
- \* *Size of abstracts:* not more than 250 words (Including key words)

### Important dates:

**September 1<sup>st</sup>, 2017:** deadline for sending abstracts

**September 10<sup>th</sup>, 2017:** notifications of acceptance

**October 15<sup>th</sup>, 2017** deadline for the reception of the full communications

**October 25<sup>th</sup>, 2017:** oral communications

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