

## INVITATION TO PARTICIPATE

An Interactive Workshop for lower secondary school teachers

### Communicative Language Assessment: Promoting Best Practice for English Language Classrooms

Dates and Locations			
13 November	Vilnius University Vilnius	15 November	Kauno Jono Jablonskio gimnazija Kaunas
14 November	Panevėžio 5-oji gimnazija Panevėžys	17 November	LCC International University Klaipėda

Event Description
<p>The European Association for Language Testing and Assessment (EALTA) and the educational institutions Vilnius University, Panevėžio 5-oji gimnazija, Kauno Jono Jablonskio gimnazija, and LCC International University invite you to participate in an all-day interactive workshop on classroom-based language assessment for secondary schools. The workshop aims to bring secondary school English language teachers together to create language assessments for their classrooms that are relevant to instruction and help teachers guide students' language learning. The days' sessions will provide an overview of classroom-based language assessments relevant to secondary school contexts, discuss what we as teachers should consider when creating classroom-based assessments, and when adapting textbook and class materials to fit classroom assessment needs specific to teachers' classroom contexts. Lower secondary school language teachers are especially encouraged to attend. Certificates of attendance are awarded to participants at the end of the day. Participation is limited to 30 teachers per workshop session.</p>

**Workshop Programme** (except the Klaipėda workshop, which will start at 9:00 and finish at 15:15)

- 9:30 - 10:00: Registration
- 10:00 - 11:30: Overview of formative and classroom-based assessment
- 11:30 - 12:00: Coffee
- 12:00 - 13:15: Key considerations in assessing the productive skills
- 13:15 - 14:00: Coffee
- 14:00 - 15:30: Tailoring materials to fit classroom assessment needs
- 15:30 - 15:45: Final thoughts / Certificates for participants

**Fee:** 5 EUR, to be paid in cash during registration on the day of the event.

#### Registration

You can register for one of the four workshops via the <https://goo.gl/forms/Qdb6jndI7Tsfidr82>. Since spaces are limited, we ask that you please register before 20:00 on Friday, November 10. For more information, contact Laura Vilkaitė-Lozdienė at [laura.vilkaite@flf.vu.lt](mailto:laura.vilkaite@flf.vu.lt)



## Workshop Facilitators and Organizers

### Benjamin Kremmel (University of Innsbruck)



Benjamin Kremmel researches and teaches language testing at the University of Innsbruck, Austria, as part of the Language Testing Research Group Innsbruck (LTRGI) and has teacher training experience in Austria, Germany, Cyprus and the UK. He has presented his work at numerous international conferences has published his research in *Language Testing*, *Applied Linguistics*, *Language Assessment Quarterly* and *TESOL Quarterly*. Benjamin was involved as a test developer in the Austrian SRDP project, which developed standardized national school-leaving exams for the modern languages. He holds an MA in ELT from the University of Innsbruck and an MA in Language Assessment from Lancaster University, UK, and is about to complete his PhD on vocabulary assessment at the University of Nottingham, UK.

### Monique Yoder (LCC International University)

Monique is the director of the M.A. in TESOL program at LCC International. She has multiple years of experience working as an English language teacher in Lithuania, has facilitated teacher-training sessions in Lithuania, Latvia, and Ukraine, and has presented classroom-based research at international conferences such as TESOL, EATAW, and EALTA. Monique holds an MA TESOL degree from Michigan State University, USA and has recently submitted her dissertation for the MA in Language Testing Distance programme with Lancaster University, UK. She teaches pre-session English for Academic Purposes (EAP) writing, language acquisition, language assessment, and language research methods.



### Laura Vilkaitė-Lodzienė (Vilnius University)



Laura holds a PhD degree in Applied Linguistics from the University of Nottingham and she is now an assistant professor at Vilnius University, Institute of Applied Linguistics. Her research interests include second language (especially vocabulary) acquisition; testing vocabulary, and use and processing of formulaic language. She has published her research in *Applied Linguistics*, *ITL International Journal of Applied Linguistics* and *Journal of Experimental Psychology: Learning, Memory and Cognition*.



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