



KAZAKHSTAN TEACHERS OF ENGLISH ASSOCIATION CONFERENCE 2023 “Transfunctional Teacher - Smart Students” Semey

June 8-9, 2023

Invitation and Call for Proposals

KazTEA and TES Conference 2023 ‘Transfunctional Teacher – Smart Students’ is designed in the transitional era from traditional to blended teaching with a new set of online teaching techniques and web/mobile applications along with the need of 21st century and soft skills for students to enter and satisfy the current labor market challenges. Considering technical and pedagogical challenges of local teachers for blended teaching/learning as well as social and emotional learners’ state and attitude to learning affecting higher-order thinking skills, the conference is expected to raise and discuss these issues within the framework of the national project “Qualitative Teaching - Educative Nation” goals and objectives. Another challenge relates to STEM education which is stated in the national program of tri-lingual education. KazTEA 2023 participants will share their best practices in these fields. Finally, KazTEA Conference 2023 is designated to define strategies and opportunities for the national association “KazTEA” to assist teachers with professional development events.

VENUE AND DATES

The International KazTEA & TES Conference 2023 will be hosted by the **Association of Teachers of English in Semey – (TES)**. The KazTEA & TES Conference 2023 will be held in **Semey** on **June 8 - 9, 2023**. The venue of the Conference is **Shakarim University** which is a modern educational, methodological, research and cultural center of the north-eastern region of Kazakhstan with more than 5000 students and 300 teachers and employees, including 13 academicians and corresponding members of international and republican academies, 37 doctors of sciences, professors, 200 candidates of sciences and associate professors.

KAZTEA CONFERENCE 2023 FORMAT and ACTIVITIES

June 7, afternoon (Pre-Conference event) – **TEDx talks (off-line mode)**

June 8 – **KazTEA & TES Conference in off-line plenary sessions with key-speakers**

June 9 – **Conference interactive sessions**

June 9 – **KazTEA Virtual Conference (Zoom video conference)**

TOPIC AREAS

1. Emergent Educational Methodologies (Task/Project-based Language Learning, Cooperative Learning, Flipped Teaching, Gamification, etc.).
2. Lesson Study and Action Research: Effective Ways of Improving Teaching and Learning
3. STEAM: Benefits and Challenges within Kazakhstan context
4. Learning-Oriented Language Assessment: Insight, Practice & Research Multimedia Application as a Means of Language Learning for Change
5. Inclusive Education: Supporting English Learners with Special/Exceptional Needs
6. Diverse Cultures - Growth Mindset: Learning from International Collaboration
7. Educating for Global Competence: Preparing Youth to Engage the World
8. Transfuctional Teacher's Roles to Educate a Smart Student
9. Media Literacy as the 21st –Century Skill: Strategies of Integrating Media Literacy into Training Programs

TYPES OF PROPOSALS

TED x (Pre-Conference event) (10 mins). Live TED-like talks and performances are shared with the EFL teachers community. If you have an idea worth sharing and ignite lively discussion on the topics related to the conference theme, then this format is good for you.

Demonstration (50-minute practical-oriented presentation): Shows, rather than tells, a technique for teaching or testing. The presenter should spend no more than 5 minutes explaining the theory underlying the technique. Handouts are expected and audiovisual aids are encouraged.

Lightning Talks (10-minute research-oriented presentation): An oral summary, with occasional reference to notes or a text that discusses the presenters' work in relation to theory and/or practice. Handouts are expected and presentations are encouraged.

Workshop (50 minutes): A carefully structured, hands-on professional development activity. The leader helps participants solve a problem or develop a specific teaching or research technique. Handouts are expected and audiovisual aids are encouraged.

Pecha-Kucha (7 minutes): Speakers present up to 20 images discussing each for 20 seconds bringing the whole talk to just under 7 minutes. Images are required to slide automatically with speakers delivering only the relevant points on the topic in synchronization with the images.

Jigsaw session (20 minutes): Moderator arranges a discussion on a theme related to the **association mission and strategies** within a small group. All the participants assigned to the same theme form temporary "expert groups" and are given time to discuss their aspect and rehearse the presentations they will make to their jigsaw groups. Once back in their jigsaw groups, each member presents their segment to the others and asks for opinion and modifications. The moderator can float from group to group to ensure the discussion and solution is being delivered correctly. At the end of the session, each "expert" goes back to their initial group and report about any modifications done to their initial decision. Final presentation with all the modifications embedded is presented to all participants.

Topics for Jigsaw session:

- 1) Inquiry element for a Lesson Study
- 2) Research question and methods for Action Research
- 3) Diversity in Leadership for a common goal

Poster Session (1 hour): The poster session is a self-explanatory exhibit that allows for informal discussion with participants. Exhibits are set up during the hour before the session and dismantled in the hour afterward. The

poster should include a title, the name and institutional affiliation of the presenter(s), and a brief text with clearly labeled photos, drawings, graphs, or charts. Presenters are available for discussion. Detailed guidelines will be sent to accepted poster session presenters. First time attendees and graduate students are especially encouraged to apply for the poster session, which could serve as an important and interactive forum for sharing your work and receiving feedback. Handouts are expected.

Online presentation (20 mins): We understand that some presenters will be unable to make the trip to Semey to present their proposal, mainly due to financial and/or academic commitments. KazTEA 2023 has therefore instituted a Zoom sessions to allow the authors of accepted proposals the same publication opportunities as regular presenters.

You can submit a proposal for online presentation under the open call for proposals onto the website [here](https://kaz-tea.kz/en) at <https://kaz-tea.kz/en> - KazTEA Conferences - Apply as a Presenter. If your proposal is accepted you would be invited to present at Zoom virtual KazTEA conference 2023 or on the PadLet. Zoom sessions could be arranged in various formats like an interactive talk, slide show, video clip, etc. The instructions on how to do it technically possible and join Zoom video conference selected participants will be sent later.

SUBMISSION REQUIREMENTS

All presenters must submit their application forms with abstracts to the Organizing Committee **before April 3, 2023**. We plan to place the abstracts in the conference program; therefore, each abstract must clearly reflect the content of the presentation and the targeted audience. The abstract should be written in one paragraph with full sentences.

Committee members evaluate the abstracts to accept or reject a proposal. Preferences will be given to the strong proposals that match the requirements of every type of presentation and reflect your title and objectives. The clarity and flow, originality, significance, and logical sequence of your proposal all effect the committee decision.

You can submit your application [HERE](https://kaz-tea.kz/en) at the KazTEA website: <https://kaz-tea.kz/en> – KazTEA Conference – Apply as a Presenter

CONFERENCE PROCEEDINGS

Those who would like to have their **abstracts** published must submit them to the Editorial Board onto the website [HERE](https://kaz-tea.kz/en): <https://kaz-tea.kz/en> – KazTEA Publications- Submit Article.

Abstracts must be structured:

Introduction – 40-50 words

Methods - 40-50 words

Discussion - 100 words

Results - 40-50 words

Abstracts (220-300 words) will be published online with an ISBN for **free**

Those who would like to publish full paper must submit them into the website at <https://kaz-tea.kz/en> – KazTEA Publications- Submit Article. 3-6 page papers will be published **online with an ISBN**. Papers can be written in three formats: **Research, Teaching Practice** and **Commentary**, and in one of the three languages: English, Kazakh or Russian. **All submissions will be checked for originality**. Authors bear full responsibility for their paper content, punctuation, stylistic and grammatical organization.

Check the **guidelines** for papers and publication fees at the <https://kaz-tea.kz/en/publications/article-collections/kaztea-2022> p.7

Paper publication fee – **5000 KZT (after the article is approved** by the Editorial board)

CONFERENCE FEES (for off - line format): KZT 3000

The registration fee includes access to all the sessions, certificate publication, conference materials, organizational expenses and coffee-breaks. Payments should be made in Tenge through the bank transaction. Bank details will be emailed to the participants when they confirm their participation. The registration fee could be paid onsite to the Organizing Committee upon arrival to Semey at the registration desk.

CONFERENCE participation in ONLINE format is FREE

PROPOSAL DEADLINES

The deadline for submitting proposals is **April 3, 2023**. The notification of the participants selected by the Organizing Committee will be provided by April 10, 2023.

CONTACT FOR QUERIES

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