

SAURELDT-2026 - CONFERENCE PROGRAM

09:00 – 09:30	Registration		
09:30 – 10:00	Opening Ceremony		
10:00 – 11:00	Prof. Dr. Anıl Rakıcioğlu-Söylemez - Sustainable for Whom? Learning to Lead with Compassion in ELT		
11:00 – 11:15	Coffee break		
11:00 – 12:00	Prof. Dr. Esim Gürsoy - Integrating Social-Emotional Learning into EFL Classrooms		
12:00 - 12:45	Assist. Prof. Dr. Rizwan Ul-Huq - Evidence-Based Pedagogy: Bridging Theory and Classroom Practice in ELT		
12:45 - 13:45	Lunch*		
	Hall 1 - Theme: Artificial Intelligence & Technology in ELT	Hall 2 - Theme: Teacher Education, Curriculum, Policies	Hall 3 - Theme: Speaking Skills, Anxiety, Linguistics
13:45 – 14:45	Chair Person: Ahat Tunahan Gedik “Pre-service EFL Teachers’ Readiness to Integrate AI Tools into Language Teaching: A Pilot Study” <i>Şeyma Saraç</i> “AI vs Emotional Intelligence: Primary School English Teachers’ Perceptions of Artificial Intelligence in Young Learners’ Emotional Development” <i>Hatice Sevede Taşkın</i> “Help or Cheating? Turkish Pre-Service EFL Teachers’ AI Attitudes and Ethical Perceptions” <i>Ecem Badik & Zeynep Sude Yıldız & Assist. Prof. Dr. Gizem Mutlu Gülbak</i>	Chair Person: Şevval Kara “Revisiting ESL Education in Turkey: Classroom Practices, Teacher Development, and Curriculum Constraints” <i>Ayça Meyna Bakırcıoğlu (Online Participation)</i> “English Teachers Lenses to the Century of Türkiye Maarif Education Model English Coursebooks” <i>Kudret Zelihanur Bulut & Ayşe Merzifonluoğlu (Online Participation)</i> “How to Improve the Quality of English Language Teaching in Türkiye” <i>Sena Ünal</i>	Chair Person: Şevval Ayaz “Wittgenstein and ELT” <i>Marcin Turek (Online Participation)</i> “Turkish Freshman and Sophomore Pre-Service English Teachers’ Speaking Anxiety: A Comparative Study by Undergraduate Students” <i>Arda Işık & Özgür Fidan & Tufan Gürültü</i> “Assessing Peer Feedback Literacy Level of EFL Learners” <i>Nuriye Aksoy & Amina Gaisina & Hilal Kırdar</i>
14:45 – 15:00	Coffee break		
15:00 – 16:15	Chair Person: Ahat Tunahan Gedik “The Impact of AI on Academic Writing and Research: A Systemic Review” <i>Muhammet Selim Çabuk</i> “From Memes to TikTok: How the Internet Is Creating a New Language” <i>Anna Smoleń (Online Participation)</i> “Fragmented Narratives in Sustainable Language Learning as an Educational Tool in ELT” <i>Melek Rukiye Güner & Fidan Khankishieva</i> “The Role of Gamification in Reducing Language Learning Anxiety in Primary EFL Classrooms” <i>Muhammed Ethem Karabiber</i>	Chair Person: Şevval Kara “Pre-Service English Teachers’ Practicum Challenges and Self-Regulation Strategies” <i>Kevser Tekel</i> “Engaging Inclusivity in General Education: Understanding the Perceptions of Pre-Service English Language Teachers” <i>Sümeyye Şahin & Furkan Gedikli & Uğur Fatih İhtiyar</i> “Teacher Identity in Speaking Club Contexts” <i>Selma Acar & Gülcan Yıldırım & Esmenur Çelikkol</i> “Erasmus+ ve ESC Fırsatları” Eurodesk	Chair Person: Şevval Ayaz “Pragmatic Use of Hedges and Boosters in Spoken Discourse During Formal English Classroom Debates in Turkish EFL High School Contexts” <i>Duru Orkan & Mukaddes İkbal Vural & Rasim Can Aksaç</i> “The Effect of Debating Societies and Debate Environment on Turkish EFL Learners” <i>Merve Duru Aktaş</i> “The Impact of Levelled News-Based Authentic Materials on Students’ Speaking Skills” <i>Servinaz Şevval Güneş (Online Participation)</i>
16:15-16:30	Coffee break		
16:30 – 17:15	Çağdaş Yıldız - Teach Forward: How AI Is Reshaping the Language Classroom and What We Can Do About It Today		
17:15 – 17:45	Closing Ceremony & Raffle		

*Lunch will not be provided by the conference organizers. Please consult the registration desk for the directions to food court.