

CALL FOR ABSTRACTS

ETRA 2026

The 43rd International Conference on English Teaching and Learning
October 16-17, 2026

Organizers: Department of Foreign Languages and Literature, National Chung
Cheng University, Chiayi, Taiwan
The English Teaching and Research Association (ETRA), Taiwan

Conference Theme: *Future-Ready ELT for Global Challenges*

面向未來以應對全球挑戰的英語教學

Abstract submission deadline: February 25, 2026

Future-Ready ELT for Global Challenges

In today's rapidly changing and interconnected world, the field of English language teaching (ELT) faces both new opportunities and complex challenges, calling for a shift toward a more future-ready approach. Such an approach involves fostering intercultural understanding, global citizenship, and multiple literacies—including digital, media, and multilingual competencies. To achieve these aims, learners are encouraged to engage in diverse cultural and experiential contexts that cross geographical, cultural, and institutional boundaries, supported by digital learning tools and interdisciplinary collaboration.

Recognizing this need for innovation and adaptability, the 43rd *International Conference on English Teaching and Learning (ETRA 2026)* adopts “**Future-ready ELT for Global Challenges**” as its central theme. The conference explores how English teaching and learning can evolve through technological, pedagogical, and creative innovation while remaining grounded in meaningful, learner-centered engagement. At its core, **future-ready ELT** emphasizes the importance of preparing teachers and learners to face the future with confidence by integrating emerging technologies such as AI, nurturing 21st-century skills that include critical thinking, creative problem-solving, intercultural communication, and digital literacy, and by using English as a platform for meaningful engagement with global challenges, including the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs).

Guided by the vision of **future-ready ELT**, the conference invites abstracts that explore innovative practices, research, and perspectives that help educators, learners, and institutions thrive in a changing world. Submissions focusing on technology, identity, and sustainable development—as well as other topics that contribute to advancing future-ready ELT—are warmly welcomed. These may *include, but are not limited to*, the key subthemes below.

- Technology, AI, and digital literacy in ELT
- Corpus-informed approaches in ELT
- Curriculum innovation and interdisciplinary approaches in ELT
- Multiliteracies and translanguaging in ELT
- Translation pedagogy in ELT
- Assessment in ELT
- Identity, multilingualism, and sociolinguistic perspectives in ELT
- Inclusive, equitable, and global citizenship approaches in ELT
- Intercultural communication and collaboration in ELT
- Teaching sustainability through ELT
- Teacher development and professional identity in ELT
- EMI, bilingual education, and ELT practices
- Ethical considerations in global ELT
- Policy and leadership in ELT
- Research and evidence-informed practice in ELT

Abstract Submission:

We welcome abstract submissions from both **individual presenters** and **panel groups** (with at least **three participants**). Please submit your **abstract**, **author information**, and a **brief biography** in **English** via  <https://forms.gle/F2Sr6RnwxijtjSNT6> by **February 25, 2026**.

All materials should be compiled into **a single Word file** (maximum **2 pages**) as follows:

- **Page 1:** Title, Abstract (up to 300 words), and Keywords
(Do not include author information on this page.)
- **Page 2:** Author information—name, affiliation, job title, address, phone number, and email—followed by **a short biography** (up to 100 words) summarizing main research interests.

Presentation Types:

- **Papers:** 25 minutes presentation + 5 minutes Q&A
- **Panels:** 90 minutes total—80 minutes for presentations (by three or more presenters) + 10 minutes Q&A

Key Dates:

- Abstract submission deadline: **February 25, 2026**
- Notification of acceptance: April 25, 2026
- Conference dates: October 16–17, 2026

If you have any further queries, please contact the conference organizing committee at **2026etra@gmail.com**