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International Conference and Workshops on
Continuing Professional Development

IELTS – GoPro™

Conference Programme

Session	Topic	Presenter	Speech Type	Time
1 Monologue	Opening ▪ Admission / Registration ▪ Promos ▪ Listening to Quran Recitation ▪ National Anthem of the Islamic Republic of Iran ▪ Opening Speech ▪ Teacherpreneurship, What & How? ▪ The Why and How of Continuing Professional Development in ELT	Ms. Neyshaburi Dr. Khalil Motallebzadeh Zohreh Shariati	In Person In Person In Person	7:30 – 8:15 8:15 – 8:50 8:50 – 8:55 8:55 – 9:00 9:00 – 9:10 9:10 – 9:40 9:45 – 10:05
2 Interactive Presentation	❖ What Is IELTS? Its Worldwide Recognition ❖ Test Format in Detail ❖ Miscellaneous Info + Rules and Regulations of the Test ❖ Statistics on (Iranian) Candidates’ Performance	Parisa Najafi	In Person	10:10 – 10:25
3 Interactive Presentation	❖ Why Teaching IELTS? ❖ National/International Job Opportunities for an IELTS Instructor	Amirali Movahhed	In Person	10:30 – 10:45
COFFEE BREAK (10:50 – 11:15)				
4 1st Panel	❖ The What and How of Qualifying for Teaching IELTS ▪ GE Proficiency ▪ Teaching Knowledge ▪ Ethics and Professional Behavior ❖ Clearing the Confusions for Inexperienced IELTS Teachers ▪ Where to Start & What to Do ▪ How to Develop	Chair: Dr. Hadi Rahimzadeh	In Person	11:15 – 11:45
		Ebrahim Tahassoni Dr. Hesam Shahriari Reza Varzeshi	In Person In Person In Person In Person	
5 Interactive Presentation	Myths & Common Mistakes in Teaching IELTS and How to Avoid Them	Behrouz Yaghmaeeyan	In Person	11:50 – 12:05
6 Interactive Presentation	❖ The Role of General English Proficiency in Preparing for IELTS and How to Teach It ❖ Teaching Learners How to Learn Outside the Classroom ❖ Enabling Learners to Self-study: Requirements?	Dr. Hesam Shahriari	In Person	12:10 – 12:25
7 2nd Panel	❖ Fast-tracking IELTS ▪ Benefits & Threats? ▪ How to Do? ❖ Issues in Teaching Vocabulary ❖ Issues in Teaching Grammar	Chair: Dr. Ali Raeesi	In Person	12:30 – 13:00
		Ebrahim Tahassoni Behruz Yaghmaeeyan Alireza Ramedani	In Person In Person In Person In Person	
8 Interactive Presentation	Motivation in Professional Development	Atiyeh Shariati	In Person	13:05 – 13:20
9 Interactive Presentation	Training Learners How to Focus	Simin Malekzadeh	In Person	13:25 – 13:40
LUNCH BREAK (13:45 – 14:45)				
10 Interactive Presentation	❖ Dealing with Psychological Factors that Might Impact on IELTS Test-takers' Performance ❖ Psychological Management of the Learner	Dr. Mehrdad Moludi Dr. Majid Elahi	In Person In Person	14:45 – 15:00 15:00 - 15:15
11 Interactive Presentation	❖ IELTS Scores vs. ALTE vs. CEFR ❖ The Significance and Implementation of Band Descriptors in Teaching ❖ How to Place Students in an Appropriate Course According to IELTS Scores	Yashar Zamanian	In Person In Person	15:15 – 15:30
12 3rd Panel	❖ Essentials of Teacher Training ▪ Dos ▪ Don’ts	Chair: Dr. Hadi Rahimzadeh	In Person	15:35 – 16:10
		Dr. Khalil Motallebzadeh Dr. Mehrdad Moludi Dr. Majid Elahi		
13 Interactive Presentation	Interpretation of Speaking Band Descriptors	Dr. Ali Raeesi	In Person	16:15 – 16:30
14 Interactive Presentation	Online & Hybrid Courses vs. Face-to-face Courses	Mehdi Safavi	In Person	16:35 – 16:50
15 Interactive Presentation	Construing Writing Task 1 & Task 2 Band Descriptors	Ebrahim Tahassoni	In Person	16:55 – 17:10
16 4th Panel	❖ Why Have Writing Scores of IELTS Candidates at IDP Test Centres Dropped Significantly Since November 2016? ❖ What Should Be Done to Score 7+ in Writing?	Chair: Farhang Bohloul	In Person In Person In Person In Person Recorded Video	17:15 – 17:55
		Ebrahim Tahassoni Dr. Iman Alipour Behrouz Yaghmaeeyan Alireza Ramedani Pauline Cullen		
COFFEE BREAK (18:00 – 18:30)				
17 5th Panel	❖ Online Version of IELTS! Yes? No? ❖ Scoring Writing Papers in IDP Headquarters and Not in Local Centres; Pros & Cons? ❖ Subjectivity vs. Objectivity in Scoring Speaking: How Consistent Really Are the Examiners?	Chair: Amirali Movahhed	In Person	18:30 – 19:00
		Dr. Hessam Shahriari Dr. Ali Raeesi Behrouz Yaghmaeeyan		
18 Interactive Presentation	❖ Guide for Band 9 Seekers ❖ Examinership Condition	Alireza Ramedani	In Person	19:05 – 19:20
19 Interactive Presentation	Speaking Etiquette at The Interview Session	Mehdi Gerayeli	In Person	19:25 – 19:30
20 6th Panel	❖ How to Prevent Teacher Burnout ❖ Marketing an IELTS Preparation Program	Chair: Dr. Ali Raeesi	In Person In Person In Person In Person In Person	19:30 – 19:55
		Dr. Majid Elahi Alireza Ramedani Ebrahim Tahassoni		
21 Monologue	❖ Backstage Pass Video ❖ Gifts ❖ Closing Speech	Hossein Bakhshayi	In Person	20:00 – 20:30
22	Awarding Conference Participation Certificates	...	...	20:30 – 20:45