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CALL FOR PAPERS

Democracy and Language. How Far Can Language Influence the Democracy Nowadays?

The journal “Studies in Logic, Grammar and Rhetoric” (<https://content.sciendo.com/view/journals/slgr/slgr-overview.xml>) published by the University of Białystok, Poland is pleased to announce a call for papers for the upcoming volume dedicated to democracy and language. “Studies in Logic, Grammar and Rhetoric” is one of Poland’s top philosophy journals with an international profile and indexed at the lists such as ERIH, Scopus, CEJSH and IndexCopernicus .

Topics of interest

The upcoming volume of “Studies in Logic, Grammar and Rhetoric” (no. 3/ 2019) will be devoted to the connections between language and democracy. The key question is whether democratic institutions shape language, or vice-versa and whether language molds democratic practice?

In the present call for papers, the journal asks for high quality multidisciplinary contributions analysing, in particular, the following problems for discussion:

- Nowadays politicians are widely distrusted. The distance between people and their representatives in the government is wide. Much ink has been spilt in trying to explain this phenomenon, but one issue that is greatly under-studied is the role of the language in it. Many regard language and communication as little more than a veneer on the true substance of politics: the realms of policy and ideology.
- The language of the political populism.
- Should democratic politics imply the willingness of all players to make an effort to understand each other? Democratic politics depends on a willingness to overcome the barriers to mutual understanding, including the linguistic ones.
- The problem of transnational communication; linguistic communication problems.
- The relations between disinformation practices, ‘fake news’ and democracy.
- The language policy in the EU’s members and other states.

The journal is unable to remunerate the authors due to its limited financial resources. However, we strongly believe that the scientific and academic outcomes will provide professional satisfaction and interesting exchange to all of the people involved.

Timeline

- **31 May 2019** deadline for the final submission
- **30 June 2019** notification of acceptance after double blind peer-review process
- **31 August 2019** deadline for submission of a camera-ready version
- **ca. October 2019** volume ready

Information for the Authors

- Submissions will normally be between 3000 – 7000 words, including footnotes and bibliography.
- Author's name should appear centered under the title. Author should enclose the following information:
 - name and last name,
 - degree, academic title, place of affiliation,
 - short bio not exceeding four sentences,
 - exact correspondence address, phone number and email.
- The papers should contain abstract (up to 300 words) and 3-6 keywords.
- The final submissions will be evaluated through a double blind peer review by appointed peer reviewers.
- Submissions should be made in British English and sent to: ekuzelewska@gmail.com
- Questions, if any, should be mailed to: ekuzelewska@gmail.com
 - Editorial requirements for the Authors available at: <https://content.sciendo.com/view/journals/slgr/slgr-overview.xml>

I hope you will find this project interesting and inspiring.

Elżbieta Kuzelewska, the Theme Editor