



## The Linguistic Society of Papua New Guinea 49<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference

June 15-17, 2015  
University of Papua New Guinea  
Port Moresby

Conference Theme:

**“Promoting Language Education for Sustainable Development”**



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# CALL FOR ABSTRACTS

The 49<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference of the Linguistic Society of Papua New Guinea will take place **June 15-17, 2015**, at the University of Papua New Guinea, Waigani Campus.

Language enables all cultural and socio-economic development; paradoxically, this may hinder development by creating communication issues in modern multilingual/multicultural societies. With the conference theme echoing the overarching national concern to promote sustainable socio-economic development in Papua New Guinea, LSPNG 2015 aims to stimulate a useful exchange of ideas between intellectuals and policy makers on language education and language-related issues. While abstracts of papers on any subject dealing with topics in Melanesian languages and linguistics are invited, preference will be given to those pertaining to language and its role in society.

## Plenary Speakers:

- **Prof. William Foley** (University of Sydney, Australia)
- **Prof. John Clifton** (SIL International and University of North Dakota, USA)
- **Prof. Nick Faraclas** (University of Puerto Rico)
- **Mr. William Jonduo\*** (National Literacy & Awareness Secretariat)
- **Ms Marianna Ellingson\*** (Director General, Office of Tourism, Arts & Culture)
- **James Agigo\*** (Head of Research, Monitoring & Evaluation Division, DoE)

\* Pending confirmation

## Abstract Submission

We invite abstracts (maximum 300 words) for 20-minute presentations, so that the LSPNG 2015 Conference Program can be properly planned and arranged into cohesive sessions.

Abstracts must be submitted electronically in Word format to [langlxmlanesia@gmail.com](mailto:langlxmlanesia@gmail.com)

## Abstract content

A few suggestions:

1. Your choice of title will help us group your paper with others, to form thematically cohesive sessions; please make sure the title clearly reflects the essence of your presentation.
2. State the main point or argument of your presentation.
3. Summarize the significance of your research.

## Deadline for abstract submission:

**Friday, April 3, 2015.** Authors will be notified of abstract acceptance within two weeks of abstract submission date.

Conference Proceedings will be published in *Language & Linguistics in Melanesia*, the free-access online journal of the Linguistic Society of Papua New Guinea, Vol. 33/2, 2015. LLM uses the Unified Stylesheet for Linguistic Journals, available for download @ [www.langlxmlanesia.com](http://www.langlxmlanesia.com) under the 'Instructions to Authors' tab.

## Registration fee:

LSPNG members:	K 150
Other participants:	K 150
Students:	K 50

Registration fees can be deposited in the “University of Papua New Guinea Special Purpose Account (SPA) No. 1000583573 Bank South Pacific.” Please email a scanned copy of your deposit slip to:

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## Program

The Conference program will be posted on the LLM website by mid-May, 2015.  
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