BALEAP AGM 2019, April 2019, University of Leeds

Events Officer Report

There has been a range of BALEAP events over the year since the last AGM in Reading, March 2018. There have also been Testing Roadshows, one of which for the first time was hosted outside the UK, in Luxembourg, and the annual BAS event. You can find information about Past Events on the BALEAP website https://www.baleap.org/events/list/?tribe_paged=1&tribe_event_display=past

In addition to the events organised by the BALEAP committee, there have been regional meetings held by local EAP groups. EAP in the South East has been set up over the last year and hosted two popular events, and other regional groups continue to arrange meetings on a variety of themes relating to EAP. Information about these activities is disseminated either through the discussion list or the website or both.

Biennial Conference
The next conference will be held in 2021, and the host institution will be revealed at the end of this conference.

Professional Interest Meetings (PIMs)
On 9 June 2018, INTO Newcastle University hosted a PIM on Speaking. On 24 November 2018 the University of Essex hosted a PIM jointly with ALDinHE (Academic Literacies and EAP: Same or Different). Most recently, the University of Birmingham hosted a PIM on Assessing the Assessors. All three PIMs were well-attended, and very successful. Slides from the PIMs can be accessed through the Past Events section of the BALEAP website (see link above).

PIMs in 2019-March 2020:

    22 June 2019: University of Northampton (Knowledge in EAP)

    November 2019: Goldsmiths (The Future of EAP: Adapt or Die?)

PIMs in 2020:

    21 March 2020: Northumbria University (Integration: We’re all in this together)

    November 2020: University of Kent

A call has been put out for bids for a PIM in June 2020, and three PIMs in 2021. Taking into account any lessons learned from hosting PIMs, we have updated the PIM handbook, which provides detailed information regarding the organisation of these events.
**Overseas events**
It is hoped that we will hold events overseas, with a PIM on **EAP for Doctoral Students** in Luxembourg and a conference in Xi’an Jiaotong Liverpool under discussion.

**Webinars**
The webinars are an excellent platform for the sharing and discussion of good practice and provide an opportunity for EAP professionals overseas to join in on a BALEAP event when they may not be able to come to the UK for a PIM or conference.
The most recent webinar **EAP: Telecollaboration with the Global South** was held 14 March, delivered by colleagues from Glasgow and Queen Mary University of London. This webinar was hosted by David Read.
The webinar team are hoping to develop a programme of webinars for 2019 and 2020.

**Dissemination after events**
PIM slides and handouts are made available on the BALEAP website as well as podcasts of interviews with presenters and twitter is used to provide a live feed. Webinars are recorded and are also available on the website.

**ResTES series**
The second series of the BALEAP Research Training Events was run successfully. A further series is planned.

The series is managed by the BALEAP Research and Publications subcommittee; the current series has been organised by Bee Bond and Alex Ding. For a fuller account of the ResTES series, see the Research and Publications Officer Report for the AGM.

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