

Dear Colleague,

you are cordially invited to partake in the International Seminar on Teaching Methods:

**“Multiculturalism, Multilingualism, Intercomprehension:  
Pluralistic Approaches to Arabic Language Teaching and Learning”**

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The Seminar seeks to address the following issues:

- opportunities and perspectives of integrated multilingual curricula in Middle Eastern Studies;
- Arabic language and language policies in the EU and Ukraine;
- multilingual and multicultural competences in the modern world;
- multilingual teaching materials and resources;
- effective use of intercomprehension and interference in the teaching of Arabic;
- mastering of language phenomena, developing knowledge and competences in the context of proximity/distance of languages and cultures;
- methodological opportunities and challenges in teaching several Semitic languages/dialects (e.g. Modern Arabic + Egyptian and Lebanese + Hebrew, Arabic + Maltese + Tunisian and Egyptian, etc.);
- pluralistic approaches for effective parallel teaching/mastering of three or more non-related languages (e.g. Arabic + French + English)
- instructors' interaction in (multi)language training of students.

With this event, the organizers aim to create a friendly international platform for experience exchange and professional cooperation in the realm of teaching Arabic and other Semitic languages. The agenda of the Seminar will be formed depending on your proposals containing the topic and duration of your presentation/activities. It is planned to establish a WordPress blog to highlight the work and results of the Seminar.

Send your proposals to [horvat.bohdan@gmail.com](mailto:horvat.bohdan@gmail.com) before 1 March 2018. The Seminar will take place at the Institute of Philology (14 Taras Shevchenko Blvd., Kyiv). Participation in the event is free. The organizers are unable to cover the costs of travel, accommodation.

With kindest regards,

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