

# **IAWE26, July 25–27 2025**

## **CALL FOR PAPERS**

The theme of the 26th conference of the International Association for World Englishes (IAWE26), which will take place in-person only at Justus Liebig University Giessen, Germany, July 25–27 2025, is ‘World Englishes through Space and Time’. Papers with a focus on regional variation in English are invited – particularly when they relate to diachronic variability as captured in the conference theme. Papers can also have a more explicit focus on any of the conference subthemes listed here.

World Englishes and Applied Linguistics  
World Englishes and Corpus Linguistics  
World Englishes and Cultural Linguistics  
World Englishes and Discourse Analysis  
World Englishes and Education  
World Englishes and Intercultural Communication  
World Englishes and Language Acquisition  
World Englishes and Language Contact  
World Englishes and Language Pedagogy  
World Englishes and Language Policy  
World Englishes and Lexicography  
World Englishes and Linguistic Landscapes  
World Englishes and Linguistic Variation  
World Englishes and Multilingualism  
World Englishes and (Social) Media  
World Englishes and Sociolinguistics  
World Englishes and World Literatures  
Code-mixing, Code-switching and Translanguaging  
English as a Lingua Franca  
English as an International Language  
English-medium Instruction (EMI) Worldwide  
The history of world Englishes  
Language and Globalisation  
Pidgins and Creoles  
Varieties of English

### **Abstract Deadline and Submission**

Please send your abstract (max. 200 words excluding references) as an attachment in .docx format to [iawe26@ang.jlug.de](mailto:iawe26@ang.jlug.de) until 31 December 2024. At the top of the document, please set out a) your full name, b) your affiliation, c) whether you hold a PhD and d) whether you wish to be considered for the Braj B. Kachru Student Award.

IAWE will again present the Braj B. Kachru Student Award for the best paper from a student at the Association’s international conference. The award is named in honor of Professor Braj B. Kachru, whose influential scholarship helped establish the field of world Englishes, in recognition of his exceptional commitment to student scholarship throughout his career. This award carries a US

\$1000.00 prize. A committee composed of IAWE officers and/or editorial board members of the journal *World Englishes* will select and announce the winning paper at the conference.

## Plenary Speakers

The plenary speakers at IAWE26 and the titles of their talks are presented here for your information:

**Kingsley Bolton** (Stockholm University and Ateneo de Manila University):

World Englishes: Forty Years and Beyond

**Raymond Hickey** (University of Duisburg-Essen and University of Limerick):

Second-language English: Contact, Core and Communalities

**Bernd Kortmann** (University of Freiburg):

Grammaticalization in World Englishes and the Future Shape of English as a World Language

**Isabel Pefianco Martin** (Ateneo de Manila University):

Translanguaging for Deeper Learning: Embracing Pluricentric Englishes in the Classroom

**Dushyanthi Mendis** (University of Colombo):

World Englishes: Into the Future

**Salikoko S. Mufwene** (University of Chicago):

A Uniformitarian Approach to the Kachruvian Concentric Model of World Englishes

## Conference Website and Contact

For continuously updated details about the conference, please visit the conference website (<https://www.uni-giessen.de/iawe26>) and feel free to reach out with any questions you may have via [iawe26@ang.jlug.de](mailto:iawe26@ang.jlug.de).