

 **Saturday**
9th December 2023
Time: 10:00 -13:00

 **Newton Amphitheatre**
Europa Building
University of Nicosia

| 21st Century skills in TESOL:
| Empowering the Local Community of Language Teaching Professionals

Dear TESOL Teachers,

In collaboration with the Department of Languages and Literature and PhD TESOL programme we are excited to announce the 1st **CyTesol Community Symposium**. This event is dedicated to fostering professional development and collaboration among English language teachers. It is an opportunity for community members to meet physically and participate sharing their own experiences and new knowledge. Catering to TESOL teachers with diverse interests and backgrounds, the programme will offer a variety of engaging activities and informative sessions in relation to developing both learners' and teachers' 21st century skills.

Registration is free

To proceed with registration, please scan the QR code:



Certificates of attendance: *to be emailed*

Event programme

Venue: Newton Amphitheatre, Europa Building
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09:45- 10.00 a.m	Registrations
10.00 - 10.45 a.m	<u>Promoting Educators' 21st Century Skills: Insights from a Self-Narrative</u> If we are to be considered educators of the future, we need to respond to the demands and reforms of the 21st century and embrace in our teaching practice what is known as the 21st century skills. This workshop aims to present several 21st century skills and qualities as well as teaching practices that can promote these skills in class. By the end of the workshop, you will have had the opportunity to reflect on your own skills from a growth mindset perspective and you will have designed your own skill set.
Anna Karapanou <i>TESOL Teacher, CyTesol Community admin., PhD Student, University of Nicosia</i>	
10.45 - 11.15 a.m	<u>Getting Young Learners Engaged in Creative Writing</u> In this workshop I will present some low prep creative writing activities which enable the implementation of the 4Cs of the 21st century. The activities presented are suitable for young learners at CEFR A1-A2 levels.
Anita Efstathiou <i>Teacher Trainer, School owner, DProf Student University of St. Anderws</i>	
11.15 - 11:30 a.m	Coffee Break
11:30 - 12:00 a.m	<u>We Cannot Prepare the Future for our Youth, but we Can Prepare our Youth for the Future</u> In a world characterized by Volatility, Uncertainty, Complexity and Ambiguity, it is hard to be a parent or an educator. The fourth industrial revolution requires a four dimensional education: Knowledge, Skills, Character and Meta-learning. Metalearning - how we reflect and adopt, is critical and it comes with its own toolset: it requires listening/observing with empathy, courage, creativity, communication, collaboration, and action. Teachers are no longer the source of knowledge or authority. The stakes are high, we compete with influencers! What are coaching skills and how can they empower 21st century learners?
Elena Michael <i>Founder of Young stars Cyprus & Evolving Minds</i>	
12:00 - 12.30 p.m	<u>Engaging Students in Language Learning through Active Play.</u> This workshop will offer inside details on how teachers can actively engage their students' in 21st century skills development through 'gamification' while also raising their motivation.
Dr. Natassa Stylianou <i>Adjunct Faculty UNIC Teacher Trainer</i>	
12.30 - 12:50 p.m	<u>Navigating the Dynamic Landscape of Freelance Tutoring: Rewards, Challenges, and Professional Development</u> This presentation will address the rewards and challenges of freelance tutoring further discussing relevant implications for Continuing Professional Development.
Marina Poyiadji <i>TESOL Teacher</i>	
12:50 - 13:00 p.m	<u>Closing remarks</u>

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