



CALL FOR PAPERS
(Second Call)

International Chinese Language Education in a Digital and Global Era: Innovation, Collaboration, and Future Directions

数字化与全球化时代的国际中文教育：创新、合作与未来方向

The 23rd International Conference on
Teaching and Learning Chinese in Higher Education
* The 2026 Annual International Conference
of the British Chinese Language Teaching Society
9th-10th July 2026

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and Co-organised by

University of Manchester Confucius Institute, Beijing Normal University

The British Chinese Language Teaching Society (BCLTS), Confucius Institute at the University of Manchester, and Beijing Normal University are delighted to announce the 23rd International Conference of BCLTS, *International Chinese Language Education in a Digital and Global Era: Innovation, Collaboration, and Future Directions*. This event will take place at the University of Manchester on 9th – 10th July 2026.

We invite submission of abstracts for oral presentations, workshops and posters ([see examples here](#)). Submitted abstracts will be peer reviewed and a selection of papers will be published in the Conference Proceedings. The working languages for this conference are English and Chinese.

We particularly welcome submissions in the following areas:

1. Teaching Chinese in a multilingual, multicultural context
2. Applied linguistics and science of language learning
3. Design and development of teaching and learning materials
4. Technology-enhanced language learning
5. Standards and benchmarks for assessing Chinese learning
6. Second language acquisition
7. Corpus linguistics
8. National language policies
9. Teacher education and development
10. Translation and literature in the L2 Chinese context
11. Teaching Chinese for specific purposes

Keynote speakers

Professor CHEN Dongdong (Seton Hall University)

Professor FENG Liping (Beijing Normal University)

Professor YUAN Boping (University of Cambridge)

Dr Rob Neal (University of Oxford)

Important dates

- 31st March 2026: Deadline for abstract submission
- 20th April 2026: Notification of abstract acceptance
- 4th May 2026: Early-bird registration closes
- 1st June 2026: Conference registration closes
- 9th – 10th July 2026: Conference
- 30th September 2026: Conference full paper submission closes

Abstract submission

You can submit your abstract online via [this link](#) or scan the QR code below.



Please make sure to include the following information:

- Full name and affiliation of the author(s)
- An abstract, maximum of 260 English words or 400 Chinese characters
- The corresponding author's email address

Conference fees

	BCLTS members	Non-BCLTS members	Students
Early-Bird	Free	£ 120	£ 50
Normal	Free	£ 150	£ 80

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