



International Literacy Day 2019

Literacy and Multilingualism

ILD celebrations around the world

Cyprus

- **Location:** Filoxenia Conference Centre, 2112 Nicosia
- **Organization:** The Cyprus Pedagogical Institute, Ministry of Education and Culture (in collaboration with the University of Cyprus)
- **Title of the event:** “Literacy and Contemporary Society: Identities, Texts, Institutions”
- **Date:** 11-12 October
- **Links:** [Website](#) - [Facebook](#)

Description:

The 3rd International Conference on Literacy and Contemporary Society focuses on the complex interrelation between identities, texts and institutions. In the era of multimodality and multilingualism, literacy practices have at their epicenter polymorphic texts that derive from different communities of practice and are the results of representational and enacting processes of either individuals or groups. At the same time, in institutions like education, texts and literacy are approached from a more top-down perspective, which focuses on promoting and assessing particular bits of knowledge, skills, and competencies. The conference aims to shed light on these issues and interactions and to provide a dynamic platform where different aspects of identities, texts and institutions will be discussed.

France

- **Organization:** Agence nationale de lutte contre l'illettrisme
- **Title of the event:** 6ème édition des Journées Nationales d'Action contre l'Illettrisme (JNAI)
- **Date:** 8-15 Septembre
- **Links:** www.illettrisme-journees.fr

Description:

Ces journées existent depuis 2014, après que la lutte contre l'illettrisme a été déclarée Grande cause nationale en 2013. Il s'agit de s'emparer de la date du 8 septembre, Journée internationale de l'alphabétisation de l'UNESCO, pour rassembler pendant une semaine des manifestations qui donnent à voir l'action conduite dans notre pays pour prévenir et lutter contre l'illettrisme.

Cette dynamique collective est fédérée par l'Agence nationale de lutte contre l'illettrisme et associe tous ceux qui ont une part à prendre pour prévenir et agir face à l'illettrisme. Elle permet de susciter une prise de conscience sur l'illettrisme toujours plus accrue, de mieux informer sur les solutions de proximité pour aider les personnes concernées à faire le premier pas et d'impliquer les médias locaux et nationaux.

Cette année, la campagne nationale « Quand on apprend, le moindre progrès est une victoire » se concentre sur la valorisation des réussites, la célébration de ces premiers pas, comme une célébration sportive, des « petites victoires » qui jalonnent le parcours de ceux qui s'engagent dans une démarche de formation de base.

Le programme complet, enrichi chaque jour, ainsi que la campagne 2019, le mode d'emploi, le clip de présentation des JNAI 2019... sont à retrouver sur le site www.illettrisme-journees.fr

Germany

- **Location:** Hamburg Central Library, Event area, Hühnerposten 1 (Eingang: Arno-Schmidt-Platz), 20097 Hamburg
- **Organization:** Alpha-Team Hamburg
- **Title of the event:** Presentation and discussion of the recent results of the study "LEO - Living with Low Literacy"
- **Date:** 9 September
- **Link:** <https://www.buecherhallen.de/medienliste/alphabetisierung-als-menschenrecht.html>

Description:

6.2 million people in Germany cannot read and write sufficiently. On the occasion of International Literacy Day, the recent study "LEO - Living with Low Literacy" is going to be presented. The results will be discussed by, among others, Christopher Stammer, University of Hamburg, Susanne Kiendl, VHS Hamburg and Solveig Klockmann, Alphateam (Literacy team) Hamburg.

Guatemala

- **Location:** Guatemala, Guatemala City, 01001
- **Organization:** National Committee of Literacy (CONALFA by its acronym in Spanish)
- **Title of event:** Ruta CONALFA 19/23
- **Date:** Friday September 6 (10:00 hrs Gt)

Description:

Official presentation of the document Ruta CONALFA 19/23 (document of the technical project that has as starting point the diagnosis of the illiteracy situation in Guatemala and as a means, the rethinking of the 2019-2023 Strategic Plan, based on modern concepts on literacy and education of young and adult people) to high level authorities such as the President of the Republic, the recently elected President, International Cooperators and local cooperators.

Thailand

- **Location:** Muang Thong Thani, Pak Kret, 11120 Nonthaburi Province
- **Organization:** Office of the Non-Formal and Informal Education (ONIE), Ministry of Education
- **Title of the event:** ILD event at IMPACT Forum
- **Date:** 8 September
- **Link:**

Description:

The event will be attended by the Minister of Education, the Permanent Secretary for Education, Director of UNESCO Bangkok and expected 1,500 participants including non-formal education government officials, educators, teachers, press members and the public. On this occasion, the message on the International Literacy Day from the Director-General of UNESCO will be read by the Director of UNESCO Bangkok at the opening session of the event, followed by the message from the Prime Minister and the video presentation on “ONIE and Literacy Promotion in Thailand”. The exhibition regarding literacy promotion and multilingualism will be organized at the event by ONIE, as well as the seminar on “Non-Formal Education and Lifelong Learning in ASEAN by Director of SEAMEO.

- **Location:** Thailand, Nonthaburi, 11120
- **Organization:** Office of the Non-Formal and Informal Education, Ministry of Education Thailand
- **Title of event:** International Literacy Day 2019
- **Date:** 8 September

Description:

To celebrate the International Literacy Day 2019 under the theme “Literacy and Multilingualism”, the Office of the Non-Formal and Informal Education (ONIE), Ministry of Education Thailand will organize the International Literacy Day event on 8 September 2019 at IMPACT Forum, Muang Thong Thani, Nonthaburi Province, Thailand. The event will be attended by the Minister and the Deputy Ministers of Education, Permanent Secretary for Education, Secretary-General of ONIE and Director of UNESCO Bangkok. A total of 1,500 participants including non-formal education government officials, educators, teachers, press members and the public are expected to participate in this event. The message from the Director-General of UNESCO on the occasion of the International Literacy Day will be read by the Director of UNESCO Bangkok at the opening session of the event, followed by the message from the Prime Minister of Thailand. Exhibitions regarding literacy programmes implemented at the provincial level will also be organized at the event. The event will be broadcasted through Educational Television (ETV) of the Ministry of Education. Watch the programme live at <http://www.etvthai.tv/stream/home.aspx>

