

First Call for Papers

Dear all,

We invite you to participate in the EARLI SIG 9 meeting to be held at Kristianstad University, Sweden, between **22 and 24 May** 2008.

Implications of Phenomenography and Variation Theory in Practice

The aim of this meeting is to present and exchange research findings and expertise within the field of Phenomenography, Variation Theory and Lesson/Learning Study. The focus is on the implications of research in the field, including practice from a theoretical (researcher's) as well as user's (respondent's) perspective. We also welcome contributions addressing the theme from a wider perspective; such contributions must, however, be in the field of Phenomenography, Variation Theory and Lesson/Learning Study.

By bringing together researchers from different countries we hope to promote an international perspective as well as support Ph.D students writing theses in the field. We warmly invite you to present a paper in a paper session (senior researchers as well as Ph.D students) or discuss your Ph.D research in Round Table sessions (Ph.D students only). Senior researchers will provide comments. You are also welcome to listen to the keynote addresses. To date, the following researchers have kindly agreed to give key note presentations:

Professor Emeritus Ference Marton, Gothenburg University
Professor Lennart Svensson, Lund University
Associate Professor Ulla Runesson, Gothenburg University
Associate Professor Ming Fai Pang, Hong Kong University

The final date for submission of abstracts for paper sessions (250 words) or Round Table discussions (500 words) is 29 **February** 2008. Kindly send your proposals to Mona.Holmqvist@hkr.se. All proposals will be reviewed by the organization committee, comprising Mona Holmqvist, Jo McKenzie and Ming Fai Pang. A notification of acceptance will be sent to you by 31 March 2008. We also plan to produce a book of papers presented at the conference. More information is available at www.hkr.se/earli08sig9.

Preliminary schedule:

May 22nd

9.00	Registration and coffee/snacks
10.00	Opening of meeting

10.15 Keynote
11.00 Keynote
11.45 Lunch
13.00 Parallel paper sessions/Round Table discussions
14.30 Coffee
15.00 Parallel paper sessions/Round Table discussions
17.00

May 23rd

9.00 Keynote
9.45 Coffee
10.15 Keynote
11.00 Parallel paper sessions/Round Table discussions
11.45 Lunch
13.00 Keynote
13.45 Parallel paper sessions/Round Table discussions
14.30 Coffee
15.00 Parallel paper sessions/Round Table discussions
17.00

19.00 Dinner (optional)

May 24th

9.00 Parallel paper sessions/Round Table discussions
9.45 Coffee
10.15 Keynote
11.00 Panel discussion 'Phenomenography and Variation Theory in the future: our hopes and expectations.
How can SIG9 facilitate development of our research field?
Keynote speakers and organization committee.
12.00 Close of symposium

(Coffee and lunch are included in the fee 110 Euro. If you would like to join the medieval conference dinner at Glimmingehus (the medieval fortress) the total fee is 200 Euro.
http://www.raa.se/cms/en/places_to_visit/glimmingehus_the_medieval_manor.html
See you in Kristianstad!

All the best,

Mona Holmqvist
Jo McKenzie
Ming Fai Pang