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Second Announcement

Language of Medicine: New Challenges in Research, Ethics, and Intercultural Communication

within the 27th Rijeka Days of Bioethics

15 – 16 May 2025, Rijeka, Croatia



Conference venue: Faculty of Health Studies, University of Rijeka, Croatia

Conference languages: Croatian and English

We are pleased to share more information about the conference:

The aim of the conference is to bring together researchers, teachers, translators, and other language experts to share their knowledge, ideas, and experience in the field of medical language.



The topics include but are not limited to:

- Medical discourse
- Terminology and terminography
- Semantic approaches to the language of medicine
- New trends and innovations in teaching and learning
- Second/foreign language acquisition in the medical context
- Teaching and assessment challenges
- Translation studies
- Language of medicine and new technologies
- Medical communication
- Intercultural studies: culture, ethics, identity, society
- Intercultural communication
- Ethical issues in the field of medicine

PLENARY SPEAKERS

- 1. Professor Emeritus RITA TEMMERMAN, Ph.D.**, is a professor in translation, multilingual intercultural communication, and terminology studies. She obtained her PhD from Leuven University (KUL) (1998), where she worked under the supervision of Dirk Geeraerts on terminology creation and innovation in the life sciences. She worked at the Department of Applied Linguistics of Vrije Universiteit Brussel in Belgium.
She will present a talk entitled: *Variations in Medical Understanding: Studying Terminology in Discourse.*
- 2. CATHERINE RICHARDS GOLINI, Ph.D.**, is the Patient Resource Manager at Swiss medical publisher Karger and is responsible for the development of Karger's patient information resources. She holds a PhD in Applied Linguistics, has published research on patient communication, and is also a consultant in plain language writing. She co-founded and served as director of EALTHY, the European teachers' association for medical and healthcare English.
She will present a talk entitled: *Redefining Effective Communication in Healthcare: The Case for Accessible and Inclusive Patient Information.*
- 3. Professor NIKOLA PETKOVIĆ, Ph.D.**, is a scholar writer, literary critic, translator, and screenwriter. He earned his Ph.D. from the University of Texas at Austin (1996). He currently works at the University of Rijeka, where he teaches classes on identities, contemporary cultural theories, intercultural communication, literature of minorities, and a newly designed course, *From Utopia to Dystopia*.
He will present a talk entitled: *Anamnesis as a Calling to Mind: The Art of Listening and (Un)translatability of Cultures.*



APPLICATION FORM SUBMISSION (FOR LISTENERS)

Listeners are asked to fill out and submit the **application form** to LMRi2025@gmail.com. Once submitted, **the conference registration form** will be sent to all participants.

CREDIT ALLOCATION

The conference has been officially accredited by the **Croatian Medical Chamber** as an international congress.

Active participants will be awarded **20 points**, while passive participants will receive **12 points**.

ACCOMMODATION

Conference participants will receive a discounted rate at **Hoteli Jadran**. Please visit their official website (www.jadran-hoteli.hr) for accommodation options and apply the code '**LMRI2025**' to receive a 10% discount on regular prices for all facilities and room categories. The code is valid only for stays between 14–18 May 2025. Reservations depend on the availability of capacity.

PAYMENT METHODS AND INSTRUCTIONS

1. CREDIT CARD: Payment can be made via our [MEDRI WEBSHOP](#).

2. BANK TRANSFER: Please use the following information:

Name: University of Rijeka, Faculty of Medicine

Address: Braće Branchetta 20, 51000 Rijeka, Croatia

Bank: Zagrebačka banka d.d.

IBAN: HR9323600001101410222

SWIFT: ZABHR2X

Mode: HR00

Reference number: 300-30-4400

Purpose of payment: First name, last name (PIN/OIB for Croatian participants)



Payment deadline	Speakers	Listeners
Early bird fee (VAT included) 15 March 2025	125 Euro	50 Euro
Regular fee (VAT included) 15 April 2025	150 Euro	

The conference fee includes the LMRi2025 conference materials, coffee break refreshments, and lunch. **All attending conference participants must pay the registration fee.** An unpaid or partially paid registration will not be considered as valid until it is fully paid.

CONFERENCE DINNER (optional)

In addition to an engaging program filled with insightful discussions and networking opportunities, we also invite you to join us for the Conference Dinner on the evening of 15 May 2025. The dinner provides a great opportunity to connect with fellow attendees in a relaxed setting.

Venue: Restaurant Boonker (<https://boonker.hr/>)

More information about the dinner will be provided later.

For more information about the conference and regular updates, please visit our conference website: <https://fzsri.uniri.hr/konferencija-jezik-medicine/>

Should you have any additional questions, feel free to contact us at LMRi2025@gmail.com.

We are looking forward to your applications and meeting you in Rijeka!

On behalf of the Organizing Committee,

Anamarija Gjuran-Coha (Faculty of Medicine)

Matea Butković (Faculty of Medicine)

Tajana Tomak (Faculty of Health Studies)