

Title : Linguistic Diversity, Endangered Languages, and Sustainability  
Number of speakers : 4  
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: N. Ramesh, Bharathiar University, Coimbatore  
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**Concept Note:**

There are challenges of different kinds and dimensions concerning the protection, preservation, and promotion of endangered languages; and most of these challenges are caused due to various linguistic, extralinguistic, and cultural constraints. Keeping this fact in view, the present session of this symposium desires to shed some light on the linguistic, extralinguistic, cultural, ecological, socio-political, and other factors and elements that put up upheaval hurdles in the documentation and promotion of the endangered languages. Also, geoclimatic situations and sociocultural environments present serious challenges to the scholars engaged in language data and information collection, data analysis, and information interpretation. Many a time, it has been noted that scholars who are trying to work on minority and endangered languages face typical, uncalled-for unique language-specific and culture-infused challenges that become crucial in the whole process of language documentation and digitization. The present session also desires to focus on these unique aspects and issues. The experts are invited to highlight the theoretical, methodological, operational, and applicational issues, aspects, and challenges that are directly involved in collection, management, processing, analysis, and utilization of linguistic data and information from minority and endangered languages.

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