

# Cambridge English

## Transforming Language Education

Multilingual education: policy, practice and reality  
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All presentations to be presented in English

### Welcome and Dinner

16.30-22.30, Monday 20 October, Aula Magna de Filología Inglesa

16.30-17.00	<b>Registration &amp; coffee</b>
17.00-18.00	<b>Welcome to the conference</b> <b>Elaine Blaus</b> <i>Regional Director, Cambridge English, Spain &amp; Portugal</i>  <b>Welcome to Salamanca</b> <b>Dr Román Alvarez Rodríguez</b> <i>Professor of English Studies, Universidad de Salamanca, Spain</i>  <b>Language learning - the view from brain science</b> <b>Dr Matt Davis</b> <i>Programme Leader: Hearing and Language, Medical Research Council, Cognition and Brain Sciences Unit, UK</i>
18.15-19.00	<b>Tour of Universidad de Salamanca</b>
20.00-22.30	<b>Welcome dinner</b> Hotel Palacio de San Esteban

### Conference

09.30-16.30, Tuesday 21 October, NH Hotel Palacio de Castellanos

	<b>Coffee on arrival</b>
09.30-09.35	<b>Conference opening</b> <b>Elaine Blaus</b> <i>Regional Director, Cambridge English, Spain &amp; Portugal</i>
09.35-09.55	<b>Opening address</b> <b>Kristina Cunningham</b> <i>Head of Sector, Multilingualism Unit at the Directorate General for Education and Culture, European Commission, Belgium</i>
09.55-10.25	<b>Opening plenary</b> <b>Learning, teaching and assessment – a systemic view</b> <b>Dr Nick Saville</b> <i>Director Research &amp; Validation, Cambridge English, UK</i>
10.25-10.35	<b>Audience question and answer session</b>

10.35-11.05	<b>Improving English language learning in Portugal: an integrated approach</b> Helder Sousa <i>President of the Executive Board, Instituto de Avaliação Educacional (IAVE), Ministério da Educação e Ciência, Portugal</i>
11.05-11.15	<b>Audience question and answer session</b>
11.15-11.40	<b>Refreshment break</b>
11.40-12.10	<b>Language education in Italy</b> Professor Gisella Langé <i>Foreign Languages Inspector, Ministry of Education, Italy</i>
12.10-12.20	<b>Audience question and answer session</b>
12.20-12.50	<b>Cambridge English and plurilingual education in Spain</b> Belinda Cerdá <i>Head of Assessment Services, Cambridge English, Spain</i>
12.50-13.00	<b>Audience question and answer session</b>
13.00-14.00	<b>Lunch</b>
14.00-14.30	<b>Developing teaching excellence</b> Michael Carrier <i>Director Strategic Partnerships, Cambridge English, UK</i>
14.30-14.40	<b>Audience question and answer session</b>
14.40-15.10	<b>What happens when we put language at the centre of our teaching?</b> Professor Ana Halbach <i>Lecturer, Universidad de Alcalá, Spain</i>
15.10-15.20	<b>Audience question and answer session</b>
15.20-15.45	<b>Refreshment break</b>
15.45-16.15	<b>Closing plenary</b> <b>Native and non-native teachers of English</b> Professor Péter Medgyes <i>CBE, Emeritus Professor, Eötvös Loránd University, Hungary</i>
16.15-16.25	<b>Audience question and answer session</b>
16.25-16.30	<b>Closing remarks</b> Elaine Blaus <i>Regional Director, Cambridge English, Spain &amp; Portugal</i>