

XIIth Conference of the Foundation for Endangered Languages

The Foundation for Endangered Languages exists to support, enable and assist the documentation, protection and promotion of endangered languages. One of the possibilities to reach this is to bring specialists together during conferences, which have been held every year since 1996, most recently in Barcelona, Spain (2004), Stellenbosch, South Africa (2005), Mysore, India (2006) and Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia (2007).

In 2008 the Foundation will organise its Twelfth Conference in association with the Mercator European Research Centre on Multilingualism and Language Learning and the Fryske Akademy. The conference will be organised and sponsored in the framework of the jubilee program KNAW 200, the bicentenary celebration of the foundation of the Royal Netherlands Academy of Arts and Sciences in 1808.

Dates: 24-27 September 2008

The United Nations' Year of the Languages will be celebrated in 2008. On the 26th of September 2008 it is the annual European Language Day and these two facts will be taken into account during the conference.

Theme of the conference: Endangered Languages and Language Learning

This theme is related to the profile of the Mercator European Research Centre, which gathers and mobilises expertise in the field of language learning at school, at home and through cultural participation in favour of linguistic diversity of Europe.

Websites

Further information about the FEL XII conference will be available on the following websites:

- www.ogmios.org (Foundation for Endangered Languages)
- www.mercator-research.eu (Mercator Research Centre)

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