

The Language, Society, and Culture Studies Lab (LSCS-Lab)
Ben M'sik Faculty of Letters & Humanities, Hassan II University of Casablanca
Organises

THE **SECOND** INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON **Cultural Diversity** **26-27 NOV, 2025**

CALL FOR PAPERS

Diversity has always been a defining characteristic of human societies. Historically, 'Man' has been inclined towards 'difference', be it racial, ethnic, or religious. This has resulted in a constant enriching cultural move (Harari, 2011; Graeber and Wengrow, 2021). In today's world, diversity has become endemic in human life. Theoreticians like Derrida, Habermas, Geertz and others have broadened this concern to include political, economic, and social dimensions.

In the context of non-Western geographies, histories, and cultures, theorists related to or working within Postcolonial thought have troubled the penchant for social, intellectual, and cultural Eurocentric uniformity. Victor Segalen's aesthetics of diversity, Homi Bhabha's third space, Édouard Glissant's poetics of relation and creolisation, and Bhikhu Parekh's multiculturalism have laid the groundwork for non-hegemonic and non-assimilationist inscriptions of diversity and difference in contemporary thought and culture. These theorists and critics, among others, have brought human diversity to centre stage and chanted a choir of praise for cultural diversity in a world where hegemonic cultural economics exerts coercion to maintain the status quo.

The LSCS-Lab invites 20-minute papers from across disciplines on topics related but not limited to the following:

- Postcolonial Forms of Cultural Diversity
- Multilingualism and Multiculturalism
- Cultural Diversity and Translation
- Cultural Diversity in Media
- Literature, Visual Arts and Cultural Diversity

ABSTRACT SUBMISSION

Please send abstracts of 250-300 words, including your name, title, affiliation, and a short bio specifying your current position. A selection of papers will be published in the Conference Proceedings.

For more information or to submit your abstract, please contact the conference coordinator, Mohamed Sghir Syad, at: culturediversity.conf2025@gmail.com

IMPORTANT DATES

Abstract submission deadline Extended: ~~September 14, 2025~~ **September 25, 2025**

Notification for participation: ~~September 28, 2025~~ **September 30, 2025**

Full paper submission: **November 2, 2025**

Conference dates: **26-27 November 2025**

CONFERENCE FEE

- **MAD 800 (\$80) for Faculty and MAD 300 (\$30) for doctoral students.** The conference registration fee covers: conference materials, refreshments and coffee breaks, and Farewell dinner.

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